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**WEST COAST PREMIERE OF GREEN DAY DOCUMENTARY,
BROADWAY IDIOT, OPENS
THE 14th ANNUAL NEWPORT BEACH FILM FESTIVAL ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

BROADWAY IDIOT Takes A Behind-The-Curtain Look At How Green Day's Punk Rock, Blockbuster Album American Idiot, Became The Acclaimed Musical

Newport Beach, CA (March 28, 2013) - The 2013 Newport Beach Film Festival (NBFF) proudly announces the documentary ***BROADWAY IDIOT*** as its Opening Night film. The red carpet screening of *BROADWAY IDIOT* will take place on Thursday, April 25th, 2013 at 7:30pm at Edwards Big Newport (300 Newport Center Drive) followed by a gala reception at Fashion Island (401 Newport Center Drive). The 14th annual NBFF will run from April 25th - May 2nd, 2013.

Filmed over four years with rare access behind the curtain, *BROADWAY IDIOT* gives viewers front row access to the making of a Broadway musical, just not your typical one. The documentary follows the members of the famous punk band, Green Day, as they see their original songs from the album "American Idiot" transformed into a Broadway production. American Idiot debuted to great success, winning two Tony Awards and now taken on the road around the world.

Three-time Emmy winning journalist and filmmaker, Doug Hamilton directed *BROADWAY IDIOT*. The film stars Billie Joe Armstrong, Michael Mayer as well as the cast and crew of American Idiot.

“Broadway Idiot isn’t just for theater insiders - it follows a world famous artist, Billie Joe Armstrong, as he bravely tries something new and challenging - that takes guts in my opinion and the audience gets to be there along side Billie Joe for this journey. We are excited to share the film with The Newport Beach Film Festival audience,” stated Director Doug Hamillton.

Following the screening, the Festival will host an Opening Night gala at Fashion Island presented by **Fashion Island** and **Esquire Magazine**. The gala will feature culinary tastings from 35 of Orange County’s premiere restaurants and a special performance from **American Idol** winner **Taylor Hicks**, now starring in his popular Las Vegas show at Napoleon’s at the Paris Las Vegas.

Tickets to the Opening Night screening and gala are \$175 each and are available at www.NewportBeachFilmFest.com starting April 1st. Patrons can also purchase tickets to the Opening Night gala for \$100 each. Guests must be at least 21 years old and cocktail attire is suggested.

The Newport Beach Film Festival will showcase more than 300 films from 50 countries and host nightly special events, red carpet galas, compelling conversations with filmmakers, international spotlight events and seminars. The Festival offers filmgoers unique opportunities to mingle with celebrities, filmmakers from around the globe and film industry professionals in a beautiful seaside locale.

The NBFF is sponsored in part by Absolut Vodka, Fashion Island, Los Angeles Times and the City of Newport Beach.

Passes and tickets for film screenings, galas and special events go on sale April 1st. To purchase tickets and for information about the Newport Beach Film Festival visit www.NewportBeachFilmFest.com

About the Newport Beach Film Festival

Celebrated as one of the leading lifestyle film festivals in the United States, the Newport Beach Film Festival seeks to bring to Orange County the best of classic and contemporary filmmaking from

around the world. Committed to enlightening the public with a first-class international film program, a forum for cultural understanding and enriching educational opportunities, the NBFF focuses on showcasing a diverse collection of studio and independent films from around the globe. The 14th annual Newport Beach Film Festival runs April 25th - May 2nd and will spotlight over 300 films from around the world.

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Cast and crew from *BROADWAY IDIOT* are scheduled to appear at the red carpet and screening. Press check in will be from 5:30pm - 6:30pm and red carpet arrivals will take place from 6:30pm - 7:30pm. The screening will commence at 7:30pm. All press must be credentialed prior to covering the Opening Night event. Press can register for credentials online at www.NewportBeachFilmFest.com.

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