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Bullied to Silence, opens at Fisher **Sedona Film Festival presents films and Q&A**

The Sedona International Film Festival is proud to present the Arizona premiere of "Bullied to Silence" and the Northern Arizona debut of the Golden Globe-nominated "The Kid With a Bike". Both films will be presented at the festival's Mary D. Fisher Theatre. Showtimes will be 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 1 through Friday, May 4.

"Bullied to Silence" is the debut documentary feature film by Sedona filmmakers Tami Pivnick and Susan Broude. They will host Q&A discussions after each screening of the film and will be joined by members of the cast and featured subjects in the film. In addition, the screenings will feature special live performances of music from the film.

"Bullied to Silence" is a must-see, provocative, inspiring film that provides hope and a path for change to anyone who has ever witnessed or experienced being bullied or a bully. More than a feature documentary, this film empowers you to "be the change" to stop verbal bullying. "Bullied to Silence" focuses exclusively on hateful and hurtful words and cyber bullying. It gives a voice to the bullied and allows dozens of youth from all walks of life, ethnicities, physical challenges, sexual orientations, communities, and ages to tell their stories.

"Bullied to Silence," offers an inspirational message to the child who is desperately seeking a reason to live. Some feel helpless, hopeless, and without healthy options. Honest and heartfelt stories will empower those who remain "Bullied to Silence."

Exclusive conversations with Tyler Clementi's first cousin; Casey Heynis of Australia, American Idol semi finalist Brett Loewenstern, WNBA Coach Bridget Pettis, International Bullying Expert Michel Borba, and many others present candid information never before disclosed.

The documentary received the Indie Spec Best Content Award at the Boston International Film Festival this year.

Tickets are \$12, or \$9 for Film Festival members. For tickets and more information, please call (928) 282-1177. Both the theatre and film festival office are located at 2030 W. 89A, in West Sedona. For more information, visit: www.SedonaFilmFestival.com.



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