

## "Sand Creek Massacre" Film Harvests Another Best Film Award

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January 16, 2008 -- CENTENNIAL, CO -- "The Sand Creek Massacre" was awarded a Golden Drover Award (like an Oscar only a Drover) for Best Native American Film in the Trail Dance Film Festival in Duncan, Oklahoma on the Chisholm Trail on January 13, 2008. The documentary film, also awarded Best Film in The Indie Film Festival and The American Indian Film Festival, portrays the horrific event from the Cheyenne and Arapahos' perspective when more than 400 women, children, mentally- and physically-challenged people, and elderly were slaughtered by military troops in the southeastern Colorado Territory in 1864.

Cecil Brewer, a film festival volunteer, said he and his wife really liked "The Sand Creek Massacre". He said, "I never heard about this event before." Although he enjoyed watching the movie, he said it appeared to him that there was no motive for the massacre, just cold-blooded murder."

"The Sand Creek Massacre" was only one of approximately two dozen documentaries shown over the course of the weekend-long event at the Simmons Center and Chisholm Trail Heritage Center.

Award-winning writer/filmmaker, Donald L. Vasicek, the director and producer of the film, said, "As I mentioned to Bill Kurtis (producer of more than 300 hundred documentary films, many of which have been aired on A&E including "Investigating History", "Cold Case Files", and "American Justice") during breakfast one morning, I entered the film in the Trail Dance Film Festival for exposure. I define this kind of exposure to be exposure of the Sand Creek Massacre and to educate others in order to create a greater awareness about the Cheyenne and Arapaho people."

Vasicek, via his film company, Olympus Films+, LLC, is dedicated to writing and producing quality products that serve to educate others about the human condition.

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