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Press Release

A new documentary by Cowgirl Films implores women to Get Real

The feature-length film *Get Real! Wise Women Speak* features extraordinary women talking about what it means to age

Greenwich, CT, Sept 5, 2008: Director / Producer Joni Steele Kimberlin (PBS's Elizabeth Winthrop: *All the Days of Her Life*) is in post-production on the film *Get Real! Wise Women Speak*, a feature-length documentary that explores the meaning of women's lives by profiling extraordinary older women who utilize their wisdom and experience to benefit the world. Producing through her company Cowgirl Films, the film features interviews with a diverse group of women including Nobel Laureates Betty Williams and Jody Williams; actress Jane Fonda; entertainer Della Reese; editor Susan L. Taylor; Governor Jodi Rell; author Marianne Williamson; Buddhist nun Tenzin Palmo; poet Nikki Giovanni; and oceanographer Sylvia Earle.

Over the last year, Kimberlin has traveled across the US and India to interview these women. *Get Real! Wise Women Speak* has been a labor love for its producer / director. "Approximately sixty million American women are over the age of fifty," says Kimberlin. "Growing older can be an adventure which bestows the freedom to truly become a Wise Woman. With this documentary I want to celebrate this extraordinary time in a woman's life and create a counterpoint to the youth-obsessed media that bombards women day after day."

In addition to the interview footage, spunky Stamford dance teacher Roberta Pollard provides an engaging anchor for the documentary's themes as we follow her day-to-day life. Her laughter, feisty attitude toward aging, determined physical ability and lovely demeanor, along with her personal warmth create a compelling story that unites the film's numerous multi-hued interviews.

Get Real! Wise Women Speak is an independent film currently being edited in the CT office of Cowgirl Films with an eye toward a festival premiere next year. Co-producing

with Kimberlin is Former Showtime exec Barbara Ghammashi, who's latest film 'Hot Flash' was a 2007 IFP Market Spotlight. A native of India, Priyanka Kuriakose, joins the team as Associate Producer. A graduate of the Newhouse School, Priya worked in Bombay as a writer, researcher, director and producer. Line Producer is New York's Annetta Marion. Also from the New York area is Heather Murphy, Asst. Director and Joseph Parlagreco, Director of Photography. Other members of the Cowgirl Films team are Greenwich residents Amy Mooney, Segment Producer, Madeleine Sackler, Editor, and Assistant Producer, Genevieve Kimberlin a Boston College Student.