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HUMAN RIGHTS DOCUMENTARY PLAYS AT UM

MISSOULA—

A new documentary film exploring the atrocities of the Khmer Rouge regime in 1970s Cambodia will be shown Thursday, Oct. 30, at The University of Montana.

Executive producer Blake Kerr will be on hand to present “The Angry Skies: A Cambodian Journey” from 6 to 8 p.m. in Urey Lecture Hall. The screening is free and open to the public, and Kerr will provide a brief introduction before the film and answer questions afterward.

“The Angry Skies” currently is up for consideration by the Sundance Film Festival.

The film follows Kerr – a New York physician, author and human rights activist, as well as brother to UM anthropology instructor Garry Kerr – as he travels to Cambodia to uncover the legacy of the Khmer Rouge. Nearly 2 million people are estimated to have died in the Cambodian genocide that took place during 1975-1979.

“The Angry Skies” presents revealing interviews with both survivors and architects of the Khmer Rouge, including the infamous “Brother No. 2” of the regime’s leader, Pol Pot.

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