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## Whimsical Treasure Hunt, Interactive Film Booth, Trailer Screening & Meet The Cast and Crew of the Children's Film *Spirit Ship*

### FREE MAGICAL EVENT & FUNDRAISER

**Saturday, June 12, 2010, Red Hook, NY-** Little Creatures Films invites the public to join a **magical experience that jumps off the screen aboard the Waterfront Museum and Showboat Barge on the Red Hook waterfront at 290 Conover St., Pier 44, from 3-5pm**, in support of its **upcoming film *Spirit Ship***.

Children can jump into the movie themselves by participating in a **whimsical treasure hunt seeking keys, seeds and other objects used in the film**. Then stop off at the **interactive film booth** to retell your story of *Spirit Ship* or other stories it may inspire, and **see your story played back in minutes on the big screen**. Next, let your own creative juices flow and draw at the **mystery drawing table**, where old letters, photos and boxes will provide clues to inspire original drawings. Children will also be invited to **add to an ongoing treasure map** including the barge interior and the waterfront landscape featured in the film. Finally, **join the cast and crew of the film to view the trailer and some never-before-seen *Spirit Ship* footage**.

**Children and families** are invited to this fundraiser to meet the cast and crew of *Spirit Ship* and Little Creatures Films' director and board of advisors to help support this innovative film's completion with a **suggested donation of \$15 for adults, \$5 for children, to reach the \$15,000 fundraising goal**. Donations are tax deductible. **Can't attend? Support online** at [www.littlecreaturesfilms.com](http://www.littlecreaturesfilms.com) and click on "Donate Now."

For fundraiser location & directions, [www.waterfrontmuseum.org](http://www.waterfrontmuseum.org). For more information on Little Creatures Films and *Spirit Ship* visit [www.littlecreaturesfilms.com](http://www.littlecreaturesfilms.com).

#### The Story of *Spirit Ship*

*Spirit Ship* (15 min, HD, color), a live-action fantasy narrative produced by Little Creatures with NYC kids, casts a unique lens on young children's imaginative play in the natural world. Through a series of events, particularly the discovery of many haunting personal artifacts strewn along the shore, three children take a journey that leads them into the spirit realm, where three young victims of a shipwreck are also wandering. This mysterious story unfolds against the backdrop of historic icons along the Red Hook waterfront.

#### Little Creatures Films

Little Creatures Films invites 4-10 year old children to collaborate on imaginative live-action films told in the children's voice. The films support inquiry-based learning, creative problem solving, reflective thinking and social and emotional self-regulation. The work takes into account the lack of live-action imaginative media for young children and the crisis of decreased free play in American schools and communities, as documented by the Alliance for Childhood and the Children and Nature Network, & reported in the NYTimes and AP. Kristin B. Eno (Ed.M. Columbia Teachers College), founding director of Little Creatures, and her partner Sean Eno have been making imaginative films with young children since 2001. See more about Kristin on the Little Creatures website.

*Spirit Ship* is a sponsored project of the Brooklyn Arts Council. Donations are tax deductible.  
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