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## NIKKIYO FILMS ANNOUNCES "WHISTLE LESSON" SCHOOL SCREENING TOUR

Events will include film screening and discussion with filmmaker

Atlanta -- Atlanta-based Nikkiyo Films announces the launch of the "Whistle Lesson" School Screening Tour. The tour provides elementary school audiences with a unique opportunity to view the 25 minute short film and meet the filmmaker, Nikki Young. Following the screening, students will discuss the film and how they can relate its themes to their own lives. The tour will begin in Atlanta and expand to other cities across the country.

"We are so excited to share 'Whistle Lesson' with this special audience," said writer, director and producer Nikki Young. "This story presents a unique opportunity to talk with children about building healthy relationships and developing good character traits."

"Whistle Lesson" is the touching story of a young girl's special relationship with her grandfather and the valuable lessons he teaches her about life, family and faith. Filmed in Southwest Atlanta, it stars Georgia-based stage and screen veterans Charles A. Black and Freda Scott Giles, and features the film debut of 8-year old Josephine Lawrence. The cast also includes Aviya Payne, James Austin and filmmaker Nikki Young. In June 2008, "Whistle Lesson" screened in Beverly Hills as an official selection for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Hollywood Black Film Festival (HBFF).

People interested in scheduling a screening event for their school or community should contact Nikkiyo Films at 404-966-2119. For more information, visit www.nikkiyofilms.com.

## **About Nikkiyo Films**

Nikkiyo Films, a division of Nik Noc Entertainment, was founded in 2002 by actor, producer, writer, and director Nikki Young. The goal of Nik Noc Entertainment is to develop productions for screen, television and stage that entertain and enlighten with a special focus on the common threads that transcend our diverse experience.

The first project from Nikkiyo Films was "WINNING LISA", a 40 minute romantic comedy which has been featured at various events and film festivals including: the BFM International Film Festival in London; Urban Literary Film Festival; Independent Black Film Festival; Urban Media Makers Film Festival; the Atlanta Women of Color Film Festival; and on the Black Family Channel program, "Pilot Central".

Nikkiyo Films is currently developing various television, theatre and film projects, including a feature version of "WINNING LISA", and a television series based on "WHISTLE LESSON".