

NEWS RELEASE

CONTACTS: JUDITH KEENAN
416 843 4425
JUDITH@BOOKSHORTS.COM

FILM FESTIVAL PR KAREN KENNEDY
709.754-3141
PUBLICITY@WOMENS FILMFESTIVAL.COM

Newfoundland Camino

Canadian Filmmaker Sue Kenney Walks 103 Km
Newfoundland Pilgrimage to St. John's International Women's Film Festival

Las Peregrinas...the women who walk

Sue Kenney's Feature Length Documentary
Screening at Majestic Theatre, Wednesday, October 14, 2007 @ 4:00pm

OCT 1, 2007 (WASHAGO, ON / ST. JOHNS, NL) On **Sunday October 14** filmmaker **SUE KENNEY** will take the first step on a 4 day walking pilgrimage from **Cappahayden Newfoundland** to **St. John's International Women's Film Festival**, arriving on **Wednesday October 17 at 4pm** - just in time for the screening of her debut documentary film **Las Peregrinas...the women who walk**. It's a particularly fitting commitment to celebrate her film about a unique group of first-time women pilgrims who walked 250 kilometers on the Camino de Santiago de Compostela, but this time Sue states "this walk is to generate awareness about the need to support independent artists in Canada." She will be joined on Monday by fellow filmmaker Irene Duma, and welcomes any and all to join her for a moment or a mile. For details about joining the walk, Sue's film, book signings for her accompanying memoir, and more, visit www.bookshorts.com/stjohns_suekenney.htm

The mega-multi-disciplined and inspiring **SUE KENNEY** is a paradigm of the modern artist – storyteller, performer, author, producer, director – accomplishing all these roles, and within an extraordinarily short period of time, after she returned from walking 780 kilometers across the north of Spain on the Camino de Santiago de Compostela. Her most recent success is the book-to-film deal for her story **MY CAMINO** optioned for feature film by Oscar-nominated **CIRRUS PRODUCTIONS** (C.R.A.Z.Y.) in Montreal. When asked how she feels about the incredible interest in her story, Kenney says with genuine excitement, "It's like I'm living a dream I didn't know I had."

ABOUT LAS PEREGRINAS

This is Sue's directorial debut on a feature length documentary. **Las Peregrinas** questions why women are choosing to leave the comfort of their home, careers, friends to walk a medieval pilgrimage route in a search for more meaning in life. The Camino de Santiago de Compostela in Spain is renowned for the transformative effect that it has on the mind, body, and spirit of everyone who walks it. Roman Catholic in origin, the Camino is now walked for religious and non-religious reasons alike by anyone on a personal quest. Few, if any, ever return from the Camino professing to be the same person they were when they left. For more information on the film and the Festival, visit www.womensfilmfestival.com

ABOUT SUE KENNEY

Sue is an internationally acclaimed pilgrim, writer, producer, director and storyteller/performer. Downsized from the telecom industry, Sue has launched an artistic career in every media, drawing from her experiences on multiple visits to the medieval pilgrimage routes in Spain. She has produced FlipBook and co-produced *Confessions of a Pilgrim* as a short with BookShorts Inc. Sue is presently co-writing the screenplay adaptation of her book *My Camino* with award-winning writer, director, producer Bruce Pirrie. For more of Sue's events, audio CDs, book, and film projects, visit www.suekenney.ca

Sue's Film Festival & Newfoundland Camino Appearances

SUN OCT 14	PRESS LAUNCH IN CAPPAHAYDEN, FIRST PILGRIMAGE DAY 13KMS ON ROUTE 10
MON OCT 15	30KMS ON HWY 10 , OVERNIGHT IN CAPE BROYLE AREA
TUES OCT 16	30KMS ON HWY 10 / HWY 13, OVERNIGHT IN HOLYROOD AREA
WED OCT 17	30KMS ON HWY 1 TO SCREENING @ MAJESTIC FOLLOWED BY DIRECTOR Q&A
THU OCT 18	MEET THE FILMMAKERS EVENT, ST JOHN'S WOMEN'S FILM FESTIVAL + SUE KENNEY BOOK SIGNING, CHAPTERS IN-STORE EVENT 7 TO 9PM