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Salina Art Center, The Land Institute, and the Resilience Group present *Journey* of the *Universe*

Salina, KS - The Salina Art Center, The Land Institute, and the Resilience Group will present four screenings of the film *Journey of the Universe* at the Art Center Cinema and a conversation with the film's executive producers, Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Grim, in the Art Center's Education Wing. All events are open and free to the public.

Film screenings at the Art Center Cinema (150 S. Santa Fe): Friday, **December 27, 4 p.m.**; Saturday, **December 28, 11 a.m.**; Sunday, **December, 29, 11 a.m.**; Monday, **December, 30, 4 p.m.**

"The Journey of *Journey of the Universe*: A Conversation with the Executive Producers," Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Grim, Monday, **December 30, 7-8 p.m.**, Art Center Education Wing (242 S. Santa Fe). There will be a community potluck in the Art Center Education Wing beforehand, from **5 to 6:30 p.m.** All are welcome.

Journey of the Universe invites viewers to become travelers on a journey that explores the origins of the universe, the emergence of life, and the rise of humans. Filmed on location on the Greek island of Samos, the birthplace of the mathematician, philosopher, and mystic Pythagoras, Journey of the Universe weaves together the findings of modern science with cultural traditions of the West, China, Africa, India, and indigenous peoples to explore cosmic evolution as a process of creativity, connection, and interdependence.

The film is narrated by evolutionary philosopher Brian Swimme, and was produced by Mary Evelyn Tucker and her husband, John Grim. Tucker and Grim are Senior Lecturers and Research Scholars at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. They founded and direct the Forum on Religion and Ecology at Yale, which brings the religious communities into dialogue with our pressing environmental concerns. *Journey of the Universe* was a 10 year project with Brian Swimme to create the film, book, and 20 interviews with scientists and environmentalists.

See www.journeyoftheuniverse.org.

For more information, visit <u>salinaartcenter.org</u> or call the Salina Art Center at 785.827.1431. Salina Art Center Galleries are open Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1-5 p.m. Business office hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.