
3rd Annual South Dakota Film Festival Features Appearance from Kevin Costner

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"To commemorate the 20th anniversary of Dances With Wolves, we invited Costner to share his perspective on the filmmaking experience and discuss his interest in South Dakota and the Native American Culture," said Northern Route to the Black Hills Tourism Association Executive Director Lanni Zephier Smith.

"He's played a very important role in advancing the film industry in South Dakota. We're very privileged to have the opportunity to have him here and learn from his experiences," said Festival Co-Producer Troy McQuillen

Tickets may be purchased online at www.southdakotafilmfest.org, by phone at 605-725-2697, or at the Capitol Theatre office at 417 S. Main Street, Aberdeen.