

China' to kick off Tripp film series

The Buddy Hatton movie will be presented Nov. 4 at Linn-Benton

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The Travel at the Tripp film series kicks off the 2007-08 season with the film "China: The 21st Century," by filmmaker Buddy Hatton, at 2 p.m. Nov. 4 at Linn-Benton Community College's Russell Tripp Performance Center, LBCC Takena Hall, 6500 Pacific Blvd. S.W., Albany.

China was once called "the sleeping giant." Napoleon predicted: "When she awakens she will astonish the world." Major changes are taking place and China continues to reinvent itself.

Hatton cannot remember a time he was not in show business. At an early age, he created, starred in and produced his own radio and television show in San Francisco, with fellow teenager Johnny Mathis as one of his regular featured guests.

LBCC Performing Arts and Azumano Travel of Corvallis produce the Travel at the Tripp film series. Experts from Azumano will be on hand along with the filmmaker to answer travel questions, with prizes given from Azumano Travel.

Ticket prices are \$7 for each show, \$6 for students and seniors. Season passports for all four films are \$20. Films will be shown at 2 p.m. on Sundays in the Russell Tripp Performance Center.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the box office at 917-4531. Hours are 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and two hours prior to the performance. Online tickets sales are available at www.linnbenton.edu. Click on the "Travel at the Tripp" link under "News & Events;" then go to "Buy Tickets."

Holland America Line and Azumano Travel will present an extra "free show" titled "On Stage Alaska" at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, in the Russell Tripp Performance Center.

For disability accommodations, call 917-4789. Submit requests four to six weeks before the event.

The remaining films in the series are:

- * "Hawaii Paradise" with Denise Burkhart, Jan. 13, 2008.
- * "America's Parklands" with Gray Warriner, March 9, 2008.
- * "Cruising Russia" with Clint Denn, April 20, 2008.