

## Filmmakers' documentary to debut at R.I. festival

A documentary made by Milton filmmakers, titled "Aside From That," has been selected to debut at the Rhode Island International Film Festival. The first showing will be Friday, Aug. 7, 4:30 p.m., at McCormack Family Theatre, 70 Brown St., Providence, R.I.

Award-winning filmmaker Richard Tilkin of Milton and former Milton resident Cindy Ross Gruber, a first-time film producer now living in Concord, created a documentary exploring how people feel about their own mortality.

They asked philosophers, academics and clerics as well as pedestrians in cities from Seattle to Boston

questions about death.

"Thanks to the insight, honesty and wisdom of the people we talked to, this documentary made us realize that being mindful of your mortality on a daily basis unleashes the pure freedom to live a fuller life. We are hoping this documentary brings that freedom to everyone who sees the film," the filmmakers said.

"Aside From That" was chosen from more than 5,700 films from 60 countries. The Rhode Island Film Festival is the only Academy Award accredited festival in New England, and one of 19 nationwide.