

QUILEUTE NATION CHOOSES REELZCHANNEL AS FIRST-EVER TELEVISION NETWORK ON TRIBAL LANDS

Quileute Nation sees ‘Twilight Weekly: Spotlight’ as opportunity to educate

Premieres Monday, September 28th at 10pm ET/7pm PT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE [Sept 22, 2009] – REELZCHANNEL – TV About Movies® today announced that the Quileute Nation has granted permission to the show “Twilight Weekly: Spotlight” to gather footage and imagery within tribal lands. This unprecedented access is the first-ever for a television network and was granted to REELZCHANNEL in recognition of the network’s commitment to authenticity and the opportunity to educate those who have taken an interest in the Quileute Nation from their exposure to the culture through the *Twilight* saga of books and movies.

“The ‘*Twilight* phenomenon’ gives the Quileute Nation the opportunity to educate the world about their true history, traditions, culture and creation story,” said Quileute spokesperson Jackie Jacobs. “It was very important to this Nation to partner with an organization that we felt understood that the non-fictional Quileute story is more complex, multi-dimensional and sacred than [the one] everyone has been exposed to. We have been inundated with requests from various outlets to tell the story but felt that REELZCHANNEL embodied the authentic direction we wanted to explore while keeping it fun and interesting for the fans.”

The “Twilight Weekly: Spotlight” episode will give viewers an exclusive look at the Quileute Nation on Monday, September 28th at 10pm ET/7pm PT. This episode, shot on tribal lands of the Quileute Nation near La Push, Washington, captures the rich heritage and cultural traditions of the tribe that captivate *Twilight* movie fans. Viewers will learn the truth behind the Quileute legend that tells the story of a tribe descendant from wolves.

This episode captures the sweeping landscapes of the tribal lands, giving viewers an exclusive look at the locations recreated for the film including the beach where Jacob tells Bella about the Cullen vampire legend, the cliffs that Bella leaps from to draw Edward back to her, and the school that Jacob attended as described in the “New Moon” book. Viewers are then transported to the celebrations of the culture through intimate ceremonies of the drum circle and tribal dances. The sights of the Quileute Nation come to life in the voices of its people in interviews with tribal elder and storyteller Chris Morganroth III and Roy Black known to the tribe as “Jacob’s Grandfather.” Actress Tinsel Korey, who portrays the character of Emily in the films, also shares her experience.

“REELZCHANNEL is both humbled and honored that the Quileute Nation entrusted us with providing the first ever television camera access to their lands and to their people to share with our “Twilight Weekly: Spotlight” viewers,” said Stan Hubbard, CEO of REELZCHANNEL. “This is a tremendous responsibility, and we thank the Quileute

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Nation and its people not only for the access but for their guidance in helping us understand their people, lands and traditions.”

The Quileute Tribes have lived and hunted on the shores of the Pacific Ocean for thousands of years. Although the village of La Push is only about one square mile, the tribe’s original territory stretched along the shores of the Pacific, from the glaciers of Mount Olympus to the many rivers and rain forests in the area. According to their ancient creation story, the Quileutes were changed from wolves by a wandering Transformer. By legend, their only kindred, the Chimakum Tribe, was washed away by a flood and deposited near present-day Port Townsend, leaving the Quileute Nation with no known relatives. The defining element of the culture, the Quileute language, is still spoken by elders and taught at the Quileute Tribal School. It is a complex tongue typified by clicked sounds and has the distinction of being one of only five languages in the world that have no nasal sounds. The constitution and By-Laws of the Quileute Tribe (1936) and their Corporate Charter issued by the Secretary of the Interior in 1937, recognized and established the sovereignty of the Quileute people as a self-governing political unit within the United States governed by a Tribal Council that consists of five members elected to three-year terms.

“Twilight Weekly: Spotlight,” hosted by Naibe Reynoso, is the premiere destination for Twi-hards, big fan blogs and social networking groups for the latest news, cast interviews and footage of the hugely popular *Twilight* movie saga.

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