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Lefont Sandy Springs welcomes Harry Shearer to present 'The Big Uneasy'; screening to benefit UCR

ATLANTA – Lefont Sandy Springs theater continues its new Lefont Film Society movie screening series with a five-day run of the documentary “The Big Uneasy” – starting with a screening **7 p.m. Monday, April 25**, benefiting Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper. Director Harry Shearer (“The Simpsons,” “This is Spinal Tap”), himself a part-time New Orleans resident, will appear at the screening and conduct a Q&A afterward.

“The Big Easy” challenges some accepted notions about the effects of Hurricane Katrina, most notably that it was a “natural” and not man-made disaster and that it only affected a certain segment of New Orleans. Shearer interviews several tireless and independent investigators who have contradicted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ report that the failure of the city’s levees and water-pump system were simply overwhelmed by the sheer force of a unique storm – and not due to its own failures. Shearer mixes this intensive research with discussions (introduced by actor John Goodman) among a diverse range of New Orleans residents who contrast their love of their city with frustration at the misperceptions they continue to face five years after the flood.

The screening will include a pre-screening reception, which begins at 6 p.m. The \$15 tickets, proceeds of which go to UCR, include free SweetWater Beer. This special screening is at 7 p.m.; all other screenings the rest of the week are at 11 a.m. For ticket information, visit www.lefonttheaters.com.

Harry Shearer’s varied career has included his film acting work with “mockumentary” filmmaker and actor Christopher Guest, directing (“Teddy Bears’ Picnic”), public radio (“Le Show”) and of course his voice work on the animated comedy “The Simpsons.” For more on his work, visit www.harryshearer.com. For more on the movie, visit www.thebiguneasy.com.

UCR’s mission is to protect and preserve the Chattahoochee River, its lakes and tributaries for the people, fish and wildlife that depend upon it. The Chattahoochee is the most heavily used water resource in Georgia. For more information, visit www.chattahoochee.org.

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