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Sixteen-Year-Old's Short Film, *Check Please*, Will Screen at the 17th Sonoma International Film Festival

Cleveland, OH — PineappleKid Films announces the screening of *Check Please* at the 17th Sonoma International Film Festival in Sonoma, CA. This is the third piece of professional work by sixteen-year-old writer, director, and producer, Geoffrey James.

Check Please is an 8-minute comedic short film about the battle between two prideful men over who gets to pay the check after a dinner out. The film was shot at Jekyll's Kitchen, a restaurant in Chagrin Falls, OH and stars Los Angeles-based actor, Jared Ward (*Homeland*, *The Exes*). *Check Please* recently received an honorable mention for Best Ohio Short Film from the 38th Cleveland International Film Festival.

In addition to *Check Please*, Cleveland, Ohio native Geoffrey James has written, directed, and produced two other short films. At 13, Geoffrey wrote, directed, produced, and edited a yo-yo documentary entitled *The Game Has Changed*. The film won Best Student Documentary at the Chagrin Documentary Film Festival. In the summer of 2012, the then 14-year old Geoffrey wrote, directed, and produced his first narrative short entitled *Marty*. *Marty* garnered several accolades, including awards from the Honolulu International Film Festival and the Best Shorts Competition. It was also selected for the 17th annual SAFILM – San Antonio Film Festival.

Geoffrey is currently a sophomore at University School in Hunting Valley, OH. When not working on films, he enjoys acting in his school plays/musicals, playing soccer and basketball, playing the guitar and singing, and competitive yo-yoing.

To learn more about the film, visit www.pineapplekidfilms.com, and to view screening times visit www.sonomafilmfest.org. *Check Please* can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/checkpleasefilm.

PineappleKid Films is an independent production company based out of Cleveland, Ohio. PineappleKid Films was founded by award-winning writer, director, and producer, Geoffrey James. PineappleKid Films seeks to create relatable, entertaining films that appeal to many different varieties of audiences.

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