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Coastal Federation's Video to Air at Natty Greene's

RALEIGH - The N.C. Coastal Federation is bringing its award-winning video to Natty Greene's Pub & Brewing Co. in Raleigh on Thursday, March 14. The screening of *Habitats, Heroes and Hallelujah: Stories of Hope from the North Carolina Coast* is free and open to the public.

The event runs from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and guests are invited to join federation staff for Dutch treat hors d'oeuvres, dinner or beverages in Natty Greene's before the video that begins at 7 p.m. Natty Greene's is at 505 W. Jones Street and has plenty of parking behind the pub.

The federation's 40-minute video was produced by UNCW Television through the university's Division for Public Service and Continuing Studies. The video highlights some of the North Carolina coast's most beautiful and productive areas, and profiles everyday people who have helped to save these special places. The video is narrated by Bland Simpson, an author, songwriter and federation board member, and it takes viewers to the pocosins on the northeast coast, up the White Oak River on the central coast and to the pristine beaches of Bird Island near the S.C. line.

"We think it's important for people to understand that anyone can make a difference," explains Todd Miller, the federation's executive director. "That's what this video is all about. Fishermen, teachers, businessmen, farmers, and property owners join together to face environmental challenges that result in better communities and healthier coastal resources."

The video won a 2012 Telly Award, a national award that recognizes excellence in film production.

The federation will be offering a bonus for guests. Anyone joining the federation during the event can purchase a membership at a special \$15 rate, saving \$20 over the usual fee. For more information, visit events at www.nccoast.org or call the N.C. Coastal Federation at 252-393-8185.

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About the North Carolina Coastal Federation: The N.C. Coastal Federation is the state's only non-profit organization focused exclusively on protecting and restoring the coast of North Carolina through education, advocacy and habitat preservation and restoration. Since its founding in 1982, the federation has worked with citizens to safeguard the state's coastal rivers, creeks, sounds and beaches and has protected or restored more than 50,000 acres along the state's coast. Its headquarters is in Ocean in Carteret County, between Morehead City and Swansboro, and it has regional offices in Wrightsville Beach and Manteo. For more information about the Coastal Federation visit www.nccoast.org.