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Vermont Premiere Screening of "Lost" Studio Ghibli Film *Only Yesterday* July 28th at Main Street Landing Film House

Burlington, VT: (July 18, 2016) Main Street Landing, The Burlington Film Society (BFS), the Vermont International Film Foundation (VTIFF) are pleased to present an exclusive Vermont theatrical premiere screening of "lost" Studio Ghibli (*My Neighbor Totoro, Spirited Away*) animated film *Only Yesterday* on Thursday, July 28th at 7pm. Critically acclaimed but never before released in North America, *Only Yesterday* is receiving a national theatrical release in a new, Studio Ghibli-produced, English-language version in celebration of its 25th anniversary. Screenings take place at The Main Street Landing Film House, 60 Lake Street in Burlington. The screening is free for VTIFF Members, \$8 general admission, \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at: https://localvoretoday.com/events/view/vtiff-june-2016-event To learn more about VTIFF Membership and benefits, please visit https://vtiff.org/membership.

About the film:

Only Yesterday

Directed by Isao Takahata

Japan | Animated | English language version | 1991 | 118 min

Rated PG

English language version features the voice talents of Daisy Ridley, Dev Patel and Alison Fernandez.

\$8 regular / \$5 student / FREE for VTIFF Members

From Academy Award®-nominated director Isao Takahata (*The Tale of The Princess Kaguya*) and general producer Hayao Miyazaki, *Only Yesterday* is a masterpiece of time and tone, rich with humor and stirring emotion, and beautifully animated by one of the world's most revered animation studios. It's 1982, and Taeko (Daisy Ridley) is 27 years old, unmarried, and has lived her whole life in Tokyo. She decides to visit her relatives in the countryside, and as the train travels through the night, memories flood back of her younger years: the first immature stirrings of romance, the onset of puberty, and the frustrations of math and boys. At the station she is met by young farmer Toshio (Dev Patel), and the encounters with him begin to reconnect her to forgotten longings. In lyrical switches between the present and the past, Taeko contemplates the arc of her life, and wonders if she has been true to the dreams of her childhood self.

Main Street Landing is an environmentally and socially conscious redevelopment company in Burlington, Vermont that has created over 250,000 square feet of built environment on the Burlington Waterfront. The Film House, located at 60 Lake Street is used primarily for film screenings and presentations. It is equipped with a large screen that covers west facing windows, control room, Dolby surround sound, retractable screen, and smart podium and can fit up to 220 people. More information at www.mainstreetlanding.com.

The Vermont International Film Foundation (VTIFF) is a cultural non-profit organization whose mission is to enrich the community through film, celebrating 30 years, 1985-2015. VTIFF is a year-round organization that showcases community film screenings, hosts film series like the Global Roots Series, and supports Vermont filmmakers. The largest program of the Foundation is the annual Vermont International Film Festival. The festival is best known for featuring groundbreaking and independent films from around the world and Vermont and for the Vermont Filmmakers' Showcase™, the largest juried selection of Vermont-made films. More information at www.vtiff.org.

The Burlington Film Society (BFS) is a resource for local film events, meet-ups and an advocacy platform for cinema. The mission of the Film Society is to cultivate film culture in the greater Burlington area through the creation of an organizational mechanism for cineastes; by working with area theaters, arts presenters, granting organizations, educational institutions, and businesses to generate opportunities for theatrical screenings of films; and by increasing opportunity for engagement with and appreciation of cinema. For more information about The Burlington Film Society, visit www.vtiff.org/bfs.