## Kids Create Monsters at "Creepy Creatures" Workshops!



Chicago, September 15--Greg Aronowitz won last year's "Best of the Fest" award at the Chicago International Children's Film Festival with his whimsical film, Labou. This year Aronowitz is back at the Fest to teach kids how to make their own creatures. The workshop will use puppetry, costume, makeup and CGI examples in a hands-on environment.

Aronowitz has an impressive creature-making resume-including work on the **X-Files**, **Power Rangers SPD**, **Babylon 5**, **Scooby Doo 2**: **Monsters Unleashed** and **The Lost World: Jurassic Park** and many other films and television shows. Aronowitz says the workshop is "A fun learning experience where children are introduced to the fact that anything they can imagine can be brought to reality."

Aronowitz will help kids make their own monsters during the two weekends of the festival and then later at ten different schools in the Chicago area as part of the festival's Directors in the Schools outreach program (please contact us for the school schedule).

To Aronowitz making "monsters" is a way for kids to be individuals and express themselves creatively.

"The beauty of monster making is that there are an endless number of techniques that can be used. What makes a movie monster unique is the individuality the artist brings to it," says Aronowitz. "I hope to demonstrate to the kids the importance and value of expressing their own ideas rather than than locking them into standardized technical procedures."



Sunday, October 26, 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 1, 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Victory Gardens Biograph, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago

Fee-\$20- For ages 10-13 capacity 16.



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