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NCAR FILM RECEIVES AWARDS

Boulder, Colorado---"Ice in the Atmosphere," an educational documentary motion picture produced by the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), has been selected for two awards for excellence in film competitions.

The film received a best-in-category award for scientific and technical films at the San Francisco International Film Festival, which is now in progress (October 17-28) at the Palace of Fine Arts Theater in San Francisco.

NCAR has just been notified that "Ice in the Atmosphere" has been selected for an award for excellence by the Information Film Producers of America. This award will be presented at the IFPA 14th Annual Awards Banquet in Palm Springs, California, on November 3.

"Ice in the Atmosphere" explores the role of ice and freezing processes in atmospheric phenomena. It examines a wide variety of phenomena, ranging from the birth and growth of crystals within a cloud to the destructive power of hailstorms and the glittering beauty of rimed trees on a windswept mountain. Through special techniques such as microphotography and time-lapse filming, it shows how atmospheric scientists are studying the mechanisms of ice crystal growth and their role in larger atmospheric processes.

The film was produced and photographed by Marsh Lovrien, and was directed and edited by Elmer Armstrong. The script was written by Ronald Cox, and sound for the film was done by Garrett Collenberger.

"Ice in the Atmosphere" is a 16-millimeter, color, sound film with a running time of 19 minutes. It is suitable for high school and university science classes, and is available for rental or purchase through the NCAR Information Office.

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