

Z. Smith Reynolds Supports *Love Lived on Death Row* Outreach Project

Funding will support screenings of documentary to promote dialogue on healing from domestic violence, restorative justice and capital punishment.

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation recently awarded a grant to the Southern Documentary Fund (SDF) in support of a community outreach screening tour of *Love Lived on Death Row*, a documentary produced and directed by filmmaker Linda Booker.

The film chronicles the four Syriani siblings who confronted and forgave their father on NC's death row 14 years after the 1990 murder of their mother. In 2005 they engaged in a high profile national public campaign including an appearance on the Larry King Show to plead for his clemency.

Booker seeks to bring together advocacy groups, organizations and communities at screenings throughout the state and facilitate a discourse on the issues of domestic violence, social and restorative justice and capital punishment through post-screening panel discussions and Q&A's.

"I am so excited about this opportunity and grateful for the foundation's support," says Booker. "I believe they saw the power the documentary has to affect people and promote discussion and understanding of the complex issues surrounding the Syriani's story. "

Z. Smith Reynolds is a private, general-purpose foundation based in Winston-Salem, NC. Its mission is to improve the quality of life of the people of North Carolina. One way of meeting that goal is to support innovative, community-based projects within the Foundation's focus areas, with an emphasis on reaching low-resource and/or rural regions in the state. For more information on the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, visit their site at www.zsr.org.

SDF provides support and fiscal sponsorship to southern media makers. The non-profit organization seeks to link regional resources in order to increase visibility and expand audiences for documentary projects and to connect media artists, academics and nonprofit organizations for collaboration, inspiration and support. More information can be found at www.southerndocumentaryfund.org