MEET AWARD WINNING DIRECTOR OF CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED “DEAR WHITE PEOPLE”
Join Justin Simien in a special movie screening, followed by Q&A session

FULLERTON, Calif. – On February 24, a screening of the critically acclaimed “Dear White People” will be hosted in the TSU Pavilion BC through a collaboration of ASI Productions, the Association of InterCultural Awareness (AICA), Lobby Corps, and the Division of Student Affairs. Justin Simien, the film’s writer and director, will be available after the film for a special question and answer session. The movie will begin at 5:00 p.m., with a question and answer session to follow at 7:00 p.m.

Winner of the 2014 Sundance Film Festival’s Special Jury Award for Breakthrough Talent, “Dear White People” is a provocative satire of race relations in the age of Obama. Writer/director Justin Simien follows a group of African American students as they navigate campus life and racial politics at a predominantly white college. (See the complete synopsis at: http://www.dearwhitepeoplemovie.com/synopsis#sthash.LSsVy5Yh.dpuf.)

Simien gained national attention after making a "concept trailer" for his then unproduced screenplay of “Dear White People” that went viral on YouTube, garnering over one million views and $50,000 in donations from fans around the world. He has appeared on CNN to talk about the issues in the film, contributed articles to CNN.com and the Huffington Post, and earned a spot in Variety magazine’s 10 Directors to Watch.

Before entering the world of content creation, Simien worked as a Publicist and Marketing Specialist for film companies such as Paramount Pictures, Focus Features, and Sony Television. He currently lives in Los Angeles, where he continues to write, direct and produce for film and television.

Don’t miss this opportunity to see this provocative film, meet an award winning director, and learn from his experience writing and directing “Dear White People.” For more information about this event, please contact Kelsey Brewer, ASI Chief Governmental Officer, at (657) 278-3295 or asicgo@fullerton.edu.

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