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PRODUCER ANNOUNCES FILM PREMIER TO BE HELD AT LSU

BATON ROUGE, La –Feb. 29, 2008- Muslim film-maker Belal Khan announced earlier this week that his documentary about the personal stories of Hurricane Katrina victims will first make its debut at LSU in the student union sometime in August.

Khan's documentary focused primarily on those victims and relief workers of the Muslim community here in Baton Rouge and New Orleans. He aims to raise at least \$250,000 for the victims, both Muslim and non-Muslim, by selling the DVDs of the documentary.

"Many people today unfortunately see Islam as a religion spreading disaster, not a religion that helps in the face of disaster," said Khan.

Ruben Vaughan, an Islamic relief worker interviewed in the documentary, said that by being a Muslim it means helping those who need help regardless of religion. In the interview he tells stories of some of the victims he helped.

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"If people just realize that Islam is composed of every ethnicity and background out there then they don't have to fear Islam. They don't have to fear someone who is trying to help even if they see a woman in a head scarf or a man with a big beard and they don't know what to do or say because they are taken off guard," said Vaughan.

The documentary is titled "Tufaan," which is Arabic for "great storm." A sneak peak of Khan's documentary can be seen at <http://www.tufaanmovie.com>

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**** Belal Khan is available for interview. To schedule an appointment please email*

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