

Goings On Night &

“Monsoon” director, Shyam Balse



“Monsoon” a short film about India to be shown at the Mendocino Film Festival in May 2007

Monsoon will be shown at the second Mendocino Film Festival in May this year. Not to be missed!

The 20 minute film, shot in Mumbai, India depicts the difficulties between an ethically Indian young man, now Americanized, trying to relate to his father, a traditional, religious Hindu.

Monsoon was shot over eight days in December 2005 with help and support from faculty supervision of the Chair of USC’s Film Production Program. Joseph Itaya produced this gem and production hired local actors, many of whom worked for Bollywood in India. Dileep Singh co-produced the film w/ OTR Productions who made the internationally acclaimed film “Maya.”

Shyam Balse grew up in Mendocino with his Irish/Scottish/Welsh mother. He majored in cultural anthropology at UC San Diego and traveled to Nepal staying in Katmandu filming along the way. The young film photographer worked as an unpaid TV intern for National Geographic which drew the attention of Forest Gump director Robert Zemeckis, which led to more research jobs.

Go to: www.monsoonfilm.com to see the trailer and production stills from Shyam’s film “Monsoon.”

Healdsburg Poets

The Center Literary Cafe

presents Poet Phyllis Meshulam reading her work Tuesday, March 6, 2007 7-9pm (open mic as time allows) Healdsburg Senior Center 133 Matheson St. (one block east of Plaza) 431-3324 Free (\$5 Donation encouraged) Light Refreshments

Phyllis Meshulam’s poetry has appeared in many literary magazines and won numerous awards, including placing as a finalist in the U.S. Poet Laureates-judged competition for The Dickens. She was a judge for the NEA pilot po-