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Subject: Special screening of *The LuLu Sessions* in San Francisco, and conversation to follow

October 25th, 6pm [Free admission, registration required](#)

Herbst Hall, UCSF Medical Center at Mount Zion

1600 Divisadero Street

San Francisco, CA 94115

THE LULU SESSIONS (USA, feature documentary film, 86 minutes)

A film by S. Casper Wong

2011

In English and is not yet MPAA-rated.

Stills and information are available for download at

<http://www.lulusessionsfilm.com>

New York, NY – THE LULU SESSIONS is proud to support the [Reimagine End of Life Week](#) and has partnered with the [Center for Asian American Media](#) and **UCSF**, for a special community screening. The screening is also in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The admission is free, and [tickets are available here](#). The screening will be followed by a conversation with Dr. Mindy Goldman, Director of Breast Cancer Follow Up Program at UCSF, Debby Hamolsky, former RN at the UCSF Carol Franc Buck Breast Care Center and the filmmaker, S. Casper Wong. Followed by an introduction to the [Peace Pod Project](#).

If you are an advocate, thought leader and on the front line servicing the cancer, LGBT community or the hospice and end of life care community, this is a must-have screening for your patients, families and caregivers.

THE LULU SESSIONS is the winner of 10 international awards, including the *Audience Award for Best Documentary Feature* at the Chicago LGBT Film Festival; the winner of *the Best Documentary Feature and the Emerging Filmmaker Award* at the DC Asian Pacific American Film Festival; the winner of the *Emerging Director Award* at the New York Asian American International Film Festival; the winner of the *Special Jury Award* at the San Diego Asian Film Festival; Second Place in Audience Award for *Best Documentary Feature* at the Toronto LGBT Film Festival; the *Opening Night Film* at the Austin LGBT Film Festival; and *has been* nominated for 4 Grand Jury Awards.

Reviewers call it “bold, raging, confident,” “intensely magical, “ “inexplicable beauty, calmness, clarity and truth.” “unforgettable ... full of passion and spitfire.” **Variety** predicts “Asian and LGBT festivals will line up for this audience puller.” **LA Weekly** calls it a “Must-see” documentary!”

THE LULU SESSIONS is a raw and deeply personal documentary about the last 15 months of the larger-than-life LuLu, through the eyes of someone who couldn't be more different - her best friend and ex-something, the filmmaker. Leave your ideas of boundaries in love and life behind, because this film will take you to a whole new frontier – and it's likely to make your jaw drop, laugh out loud, cry and continue to think about it long after you have left the theater.

Unlike anyone you've ever met, LuLu is a hard-living, chain-smoking rebel with a tender heart; poet with a potty mouth; farm girl; former cheerleader; world-class biochemistry pioneer; and beloved professor. Aka Dr. Louise Nutter, she has just discovered a new anti-cancer drug when, at 42, she learns she has terminal breast cancer. Reminiscent of Peter Friedman and Tom Joslin's SILVERLAKE LIFE, THE LULU SESSIONS, via video diary, records the journey S. Casper Wong shared with her mentor, best friend, and on-again-off-again lover over the last 15 months before LuLu died. Her compelling film chronicles how the two women test the limits of their bond and take on life's ultimate adventure, shedding old presumptions and values while adopting new ones in the process. Reflective, intensely honest, and surprisingly humorous, this unforgettable documentary makes life's last journey accessible in ways rarely seen before on screen.

*This film may be purchased by individuals for personal home viewing with family and friends only. It is strictly prohibited to screen, loan or broadcast for any group for either educational or commercial purposes.

About the Director/Writer

The LuLu Sessions is the debut feature documentary of director/writer **S. Casper Wong**, an award-winning New York-based filmmaker, technology lawyer, and social entrepreneur. Her documentary feature debut, *The LuLu Sessions*, has won 10 international awards and nominations in every major category, with a US broadcast on PBS's World Channel America ReFramed Series. She is the Creator of the Peace Pod Project, a multi-platform VR/AR/MR dedicated space for facilitating reconciliation between 2 people. She is a two-time winner of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Screenwriting Grants and a New York State Council on the Arts Grantee. She has directed and produced in China since 2005 and served as the studio executive for Roger Corman's first co-productions with China.

Prior to receiving her MFA from NYU in directing, Casper was Senior Attorney for IBM General Counsel in Silicon Valley, and received a B.S. in Biomedical Engineering from Columbia University. She is the Founder of Asian American Women Media Makers, and is on the Board of Directors at New York Women in Film and Television, leading its Innovation Initiative.

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