

ARACELY "ARCIE" CHAPA, AWARD-WINNING FILMMAKER, and CHRIS WILSON, Discussion Host

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 • 6:00 - 8:00 PM

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7851 2nd Street SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105

Acequias -The Legacy Lives On, produced and directed by award-winning filmmaker Aracely "Arcie" Chapa, is an hour-long, visually stunning documentary film about New Mexico's enduring acequias as seen through the eyes of farmers, advocates, scholars, practitioners, and members of the community. The film, an emotional and reverential tribute to acequias' past, present and future, unfolds through a series of storylines, including the acequias' current challenges, such as climate change and water rights transfers, their important role in the development of local food sheds, and the economic opportunity they provide for members of rural communities.



Aracely Chapa is an accomplished PBS/NPR broadcast journalist and documentary filmmaker. She was the host and executive producer of the NMPBS weekly public affairs show "In Focus" and the KUNM Call-in Show. Aracely has over 30 years' experience in broadcast journalism, holding positions as anchor, reporter, news director, senior producer, and executive producer. She has won several awards for her documentary films, including 5 Emmy awards for history and culture and the prestigious National Press Club award for Best Environmental Documentary.



Chris Wilson is Professor of Landscape Architecture, Emeritus, University of New Mexico; co-author of an early study of New Mexico acequias, *Tierra Amarilla*: Its History, Architecture and Cultural Landscape, and co-editor of The Plazas of New Mexico.



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