The Wisconsin Union Theater Presents Don and Fran Van Polen’s
Autumn Across America

Autumn Across America, Don and Fran van Polen’s paean to fall in the U.S., opens the Wisconsin Union Theater’s 2012-2013 Travel Adventure Film Series and runs Monday, October 1st, and Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:30 PM in Union South’s Marquee Theater. Tickets are $12 for the General Public and $10 for Memorial Union Members, Faculty and Staff. Tickets for UW Madison students are only $5 with valid ID. Call the Box Office at 608-265-ARTS (2787), buy online, or purchase in person at the Campus Arts Ticketing box office in Vilas Hall, 821 University Ave.

A sumptuous buffet dinner is served before each screening for an additional $17 per person. See our website for the menu and to buy tickets: http://www.uniontheater.wisc.edu/Season12-13/tas-america.html.
Don Van Polen has always been a devotee of natural wonder and beauty. He says, “When first moving to Washington State in 1967, I practically ran through its mountains and valleys. I was over whelmed by the splendor and purity of nature, the over-whelming shout of silent beauty”. After graduating Calvin College in Michigan and completing graduate studies at the University of Arizona, van Polen became a high school math and science teacher. Ten years later, his love for photography and travel called him away from teaching. These passions took on a greater spiritual significance, feeling called to a ministry in photographs and film. For Van Polen and his wife, Fran, their work reveals the majesty of the created world.

*Autumn Across America* has garnered some of the couple’s highest praise. The World Convention of the Photographic Society of America selected the film as their feature program for their gathering in Seattle, an honor which the Van Polens call a highlight of their career. But some might argue that their film career, which has taken them from New Guinea, to Jerusalem, to Calcutta, and throughout the United States, has been their greatest achievement.

This film is sponsored by the Wisconsin Union Performing Arts Committee.