On NASA's 60th Anniversary, Voice Actor Kim Handysides Narrates the New IMAX Film Touch the Stars

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (PRWEB) May 09, 2019 -- On the 50th anniversary of the Apollo moon walk and NASA's 60th anniversary, Kim Handysides is pleased to announce her involvement as the female narrator for the IMAX film, Touch the Stars, now showing at the Kennedy Space Center in IMAX, as of May 1st.

Touch the Stars is the second of three films Afterglow Studios is collaborating on with Lockheed Martin that showcases space exploration. The film shows the history of unmanned robotic spacecraft and how this played an important role in helping us understand our solar system.

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Producers chose Kim's strong and stirring female voice partly as a call to beckon more girls and women into scientific fields, which they are entering into more than ever, but are still sorely under-represented.

Touch the Stars is also about humans returning to the Moon and about the exploration of the Mars Base Camp vision. Timely and relevant for audiences of all ages, the film isn’t just a historical perspective on where we have been in space exploration but is also about where we are now, and where we are headed.

Kim would like to thank the film's producers, NASA and Lockheed Martin for collaborating and making the connection between the robotic world and humanity in order to bring to light this beautiful, hopeful story.

Created with high definition imagery and scientific data, the film is engaging through use of real footage, which transports audiences to planets and distant stars alongside the robot explorers. In Touch the Stars, audiences will see high definition photos and three-dimensional vistas processed at high resolution -- four times that of a conventional movie theater -- to bring them along on an unforgettable journey.

Kim is a prolific award-winning voice over actor whose narrations have been on Discovery, the Life Channel, and Netflix. Air and Space is a niche market in which she excels. Her pursuit of excellence in voice arts makes her a thought leader in the story-telling industry, especially the role of the female voice in media. Highlights among the fifteen thousand plus projects she’s voiced include narrations for best-selling authors like Margaret Atwood, guided tours for countries and museums -- including the Smithsonian -- and long-term contracts as the brand voice for major products, like L’Oreal. The creator of several successful courses on the craft of marketing.
for voice actors, Kim also coaches and directs and is a sought-after speaker at international conferences in and outside of the voice industry.

Visual and other materials including a course outline for educators available.
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