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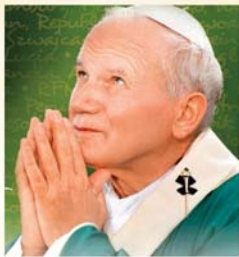


## Blanka Rosenstiel Lecture Series on Poland

### “John Paul II: I was Looking for You”

#### European Film Series

Tuesday, May 6, 2014 | 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM | FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus | GC 150



“John Paul II: I was Looking for You...” is a full length documentary about the life of Pope John Paul II. The film portrays his remarkable place in the history of the church and his impact throughout the world, as well as how his extraordinary personality, naturalness, openness and unique sense of humor united people on all continents regardless of their social status, age, values or religion.

The film, which took 4 years to complete, is the largest production in the history of the Polish documentary film industry. It includes 90 days of shooting in 13 countries (the Vatican, Italy, Israel, Malta, Poland, Mexico, Jordan, Bolivia, Zambia, Botswana, Cameroon,

Turkey and Morocco) on 120 locations that include some of the most difficult to access and where cameras are usually not permitted. The most important feature of “John Paul II: I was Looking for You...” is the exclusive footage and shots made especially for the film and the statements made by contemporary authorities in memory of him. Testimonies are made by h.eads of state, prominent cultural figures, actors, fashion designers, journalists, and other important religious leaders of his time, including the 14th Dalai Lama, the Tibetan spiritual leader, Yisrael Meir Lau, Head Rabbi of Israel from 1993–2003 and the Patriarch of Constantinople, Bartholomew I.

**On April 27, 2014, Pope John Paul II was declared a saint by the current Pope in Vatican City.**

Please RSVP by May 2nd at [calyc@fiu.edu](mailto:calyc@fiu.edu) or call **305-348-5949**. The event is free and open to the public.

This event is part of **Blanka Rosenstiel Lecture Series on Poland**. It is sponsored by FIU’s **Council of Student Organizations (CSO)**, the **American Institute of Polish Culture**, the **Honorary Consulate of the Republic of Poland**, **European Studies Program**, and the **Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence**. This documentary is part of the **European Film Festival**.