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**explore Documentary Film Crew And Filmmaker Charles Annenberg Weingarten,
Along With Native American Guests
Will Conclude A Two Week Raft Trip Down The Colorado River**

**World Record Broken By Native Hawaiian, Archie Kalepa
As The First Person To Stand Up Paddle 187 Miles Down The Colorado River**

(Los Angeles, CA and Flagstaff, AZ - September 23, 2009) The **explore** team, lead by filmmaker and philanthropist Charles Annenberg Weingarten, along with a select number of Native American guests, will conclude a two week raft trip down the Colorado River and will arrive at Flagstaff Pulliam Airport on Monday, September 28, 2009 at 11:30am.

explore hosted Native American non-profit leaders from the Hopi, Navajo, Lakota, and Anishinaabe tribes on the 17-day river raft trip. **explore's** goals were to learn firsthand how the Grand Canyon changes lives and how improving our relationship with the earth can better society. Native American tribes of the Colorado plateau shared stories about the emergence of their cultures to help explain how nature and the Canyon influence their lives.

While on the trip, legendary Hawaiian big wave rider Archie Kalepa, head of Ocean Safety and Rescue of Maui County, broke a world record as the first person to stand up paddle 187 miles down the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon. Mr. Kalepa was invited by **explore** to highlight the similar experiences of Native Americans and Native Hawaiians. He has dedicated his record breaking paddle to water rights awareness.

Media invited to attend:

Who: Charles Annenberg Weingarten, Archie Kalepa, Clayson Benally from Blackfire
When: Monday, September 28th, 2009 @ 11:30am
Where: Flagstaff Pulliam Airport
6200 South Pulliam Drive – 2nd Floor Mezzanine
Flagstaff, AZ

explore is a multimedia organization that documents leaders around the world who have devoted their lives to extraordinary causes. Both educational and inspirational, **explore** creates a portal into the soul of humanity by championing the selfless acts of others. **explore** features a wide range of topics including animal rights, health and human services, poverty, the environment, education and spirituality. **explore.org**, the online portal for **explore**, is a community destination where people share thoughts, view and email films and photographs and embed their favorites on blogs and social networking sites.

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