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STUDENT FILM EXPERIENCE

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 4TH, 2023
9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Silverspot Cinema at Pinecrest
10 Park Ave Suite 218
Beachwood, OH 44122



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The Chagrin Documentary Film Festival invites high school students to attend a film festival curated especially for them and to participate in interactive Q & A's with the talented filmmakers.

The Illuminate Student Film Experience's mission is to engage, enrich and promote critical thinking in high school youth through the art of documentary films and to inspire them to ask the overarching question: "What is the human spirit capable of?"

Teacher Take-aways:

"I love that so many of [the films] were local/in our region. It makes these issues more relatable to our students." 2022

"Kids love hearing what other kids can do... Keep providing films to inspire." 2021



What is the Chagrin Documentary Film Festival?

The Chagrin Documentary Film Festival is dedicated to educating audiences and empowering talented filmmakers to tell their stories. The Festival is a five-day celebration of the art of documentary film at venues in and around the century village of Chagrin Falls, Ohio. This inspiring event draws audiences from all over Northeast Ohio, the US, and the world to experience documentary films and the compelling art and culture they highlight.

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verb

- a. To enlighten spiritually or intellectually
- b. To clarify or make something understandable
- c. To shine light on something

Student Comments:

"I really enjoyed the thought and effort put into this trip for students and appreciate the recognition of small film makers to students who might want to pursue that in the future." 2022

"I thought that it was enlightening and I was able to see different viewpoints on issues." 2019

"I felt motivated by the films as they let me look into the lives of other people, from perspectives I would never have the chance to experience otherwise." 2019

"Fun....impactful....awesome....
relevant....informative...."

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The Bear Coast [17 min]

Tucked among towering Aleutian volcanic mountains and pristine alpine rivers on the Alaska Peninsula is a unique stretch of habitat: Alaska's Bear Coast, home to the greatest density of wild brown bears in the world.

Director: Andrew Ackerman



Carpenter [14 min]

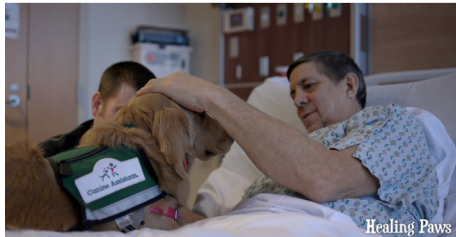
An old Kurdish man (Hussein Mahmood), a carpenter, tries to make artificial legs for people who have lost their legs.

Director: Xelil Sehragerd

Finding Ubuntu [22 min]

"Finding Ubuntu" is a documentary spotlighting a Congolese hero, Maick Mutej, who emerges as a human rights advocate helping thousands of refugees in Malawi while in the midst of his own crisis.

Directors: Annette King and Ishmael Azeli



Healing Paws [10 min]

Experience the ways in which dogs can heal in this heartfelt documentary featuring Cleveland's own University Hospitals.

Director: Henry Ortlip

My Name is Annabel [20 min]

Annabel Hernandez, a charismatic performer with Down syndrome, tells her story.

Director: Ida Joglar



The Orchestra Chuck Built [20 min]

In 2016, the League of American Orchestras conducted a study that revealed a shocking statistic: only 1.8% of the professional orchestra workforce in the US is Black. From an old church rec room in the inner city of Los Angeles, Chuck Dickerson is on a mission to change that.

Director: Christopher Stoudt

The World Cup Whistleblower [10 min]

This documentary tells the story of a migrant worker's experience in Qatar in the build-up to the World Cup, bringing light to dangerous working practices covered up by the Qatari authorities.

Director: Fred Grace





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Teacher/school registration deadline is September 15, 2023.
Visit ChagrinFilmFest.org/illuminate or scan the QR code below.



Participation in the 2023
Illuminate Student Film
Experience is free and
lunch will be provided.

Suggested arrival between
9:00am - 9:15am
Dismissal at 2pm

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