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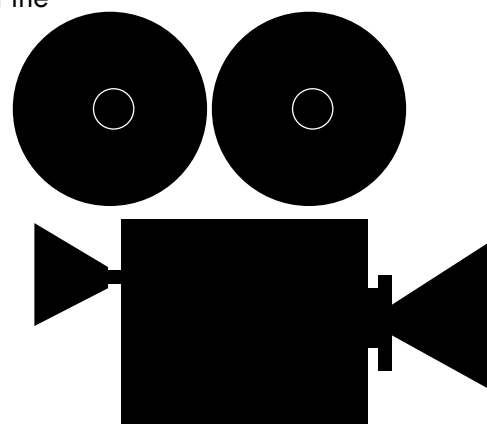
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Welcome to the 2019 Chagrin Documentary Film Festival

I invite you to **celebrate a decade of impact** with us at this very special 10th Annual Chagrin Documentary Film Festival!

What a decade it's been! With the inspiration of our son David, the founding vision of the Festival has been to honor the unstoppable passion of the documentary filmmaker and to give a voice to their unique stories. Since the inaugural festival in 2010, we've presented hundreds of documentaries that have inspired, sparked real conversations, broadened perspectives, and connected us on a deeper level.

On behalf of the hundreds of people who have made this Festival a reality, a heartfelt welcome to what we believe will be an unforgettable five days. Celebrate with us 83 remarkable documentary films from 38 countries, explore the power of the human spirit, ignite your imagination and don't forget to enjoy the parties, too!

As I reflect on this milestone, I am sincerely proud that the Festival has impacted so many and hope to see this legacy continue. Please join me in dedicating to that mission and the vision of our inspiration.

A special thanks to the Festival sponsors, volunteers, supporters and the entire community for all you have done to make our vision a reality.

In sincere appreciation,

Mary Ann Quinn Ponce

Founder and Director, Chagrin Documentary Film Festival

Inspired by the filmmaking spirit of David Ponce

The Inspiration . . . "what the human spirit is capable of"

Filmmaker and Chagrin Falls High School alumnus David Ponce wrote this letter about his documentary "The Lost Sparrows of Roodepoort" even as he faced his own battle with leukemia. He succumbed six weeks later at the age of 20. It was David's drive to share with the world "just what the human spirit is capable of" that inspires us to bring this festival to his hometown.

An excerpt from David's letter to the director of Sparrow Village, Roodepoort, South Africa...July 27, 2006



"Nothing is as important to me as producing a work that is true to Sparrow and showing those who have not visited, just what the human spirit is capable of when faced with something immensely dark and frightening. And to this, I forever owe gratitude and have sworn to myself to produce something substantial in propagating

the idea of hope and joy in the face of something so ugly."

Cover Photo: David Ponce mosaic, a compilation from a decade of Chagrin Documentary Film Festival films. *Designed by David Petkiewicz.*

Chagrin Documentary Film Fest has been named "Top 50 Film Fests Worth the Entry Fee" 7 years running, by MovieMaker Magazine



Chagrin Documentary Film Festival

Special Events

Documentaries come alive with these film related events! All events held in Chagrin Falls. Festival Office: 440-247-1591. Events require advance reservation - limited seating. Check the online schedule for updates at chagrinfilmfest.org.

FILM FEST LIGHTS THE FALLS!

NIGHTLY, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 Thru
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

The 10th Anniversary Festival spotlight is on Chagrin Falls as the upper and lower falls are lit nightly! Join us on October 1 for a first glimpse of the lights and stroll by to enjoy the new hue of our beloved Chagrin “falls”.
Sponsored by Ed and Suzanne Luecke

CELEBRATING THE CHAGRIN VALLEY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

Sponsored by the Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce
Riverside Park
(Rain location: Chagrin Falls Township Hall)

Kick off your 10th anniversary festival week with a Festival preview night, including a selection of trailers and activities. Bring your chair or blanket and get a taste of the festival with a fun-filled, family-friendly evening and don't miss the FIREWORKS!

ENTERTAINMENT - 5:30 PM

Fevered Dreams Band

Grove Hill: A True Story (23 mins.) 6:15 PM
(2017 CDFF Audience Choice Award Winner)

FESTIVAL PREVIEW - 7:00 PM

FIREWORKS!! - 7:30 PM

Fireworks Sponsored by Brad and Ashley Owen

FEST PREVIEW DINNER & FILM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

South Franklin Circle

Radius Restaurant, 16575 S. Franklin St.

DINNER reservations beginning at 5:30 PM

Call Radius for reservations (440) 247-1334
FILM at 7:30 PM

Film: Ballroom (67 minutes, Pg. 35)

Step inside the world of highly competitive



ballroom dance. Then learn a step or two with Viva Dance Studio. Film tickets and dinner reservations are sold separately.
Sponsored by South Franklin Circle



FESTIVAL OPENING AND 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sponsored by Cohen & Company
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

CFIS Theater

65 Philomethian St.

FEST GALA - 5:15 PM

\$100 Individual ticket- Included with

Membership packages

OPENING AND FILM - 7:30 PM - \$25

Individual ticket

Celebrate the 10th Annual Festival Opening

and a look back at the inspiration for the

Chagrin Documentary Film Festival.

Film: The Weight of Water

(78 minutes, Pg. 16)

DOCS & DONUTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 8:30 AM

St Joan of Arc Church

496 E. Washington St.

Join us for donuts, coffee, and riveting docs!

Film: A selection of short films.

\$12 Individual ticket - *Included with Festival Membership packages*

SALAD LUNCHEON & FILMS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 11:30 AM

St Joan of Arc Church

496 E. Washington St.

Enjoy a wonderful salad lunch and a

selection of 2019 Festival short films.



\$20 Individual ticket - *Included with Igniter and above Membership Packages*
Hosted by the St. Joan of Arc Women's Committee

INSPIRATION TEA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2:45 PM

Federated Church

76 Bell St.

Join us for an afternoon tea with thought provoking shorts and the film that inspired the founding of the festival.

Films: Learning to Skateboard in a Warzone (if you're a girl) (40 mins., Pg. 26)

The Lost Sparrows of Roodepoort

(28 mins. pg. 39)

\$20 Individual ticket - *Included with Festival Membership Packages*

Tea hosted by Best Food Friends/Sylvia Debeck

WINE TASTING - SOMMELIER 101

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 5:30 PM

Chagrin Falls Township Hall

83 N. Main St.

Film: Somm III (78 mins. Pg. 38)

Follow up this fascinating doc with a lesson

on what it takes to be a sommelier and a

special tasting with Master Sommelier Laura

Fiorvanti - one of the stars of *Somm 3*.

Food and wine provided by Burntwood

Tavern and Vintage Wine Distributor.

\$35 Individual ticket - *Included with Igniter Level Membership and above*

‘COME AS YOU ARE’

FRIDAY BREAKFAST

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 8:30 AM

Chagrin Falls Historical Society

87 E. Washington St.

Film: The City that Sold America (69 mins., pg. 36)

Film, Breakfast Cereal Buffet & Orange Juice

Roll out of bed and right to the Chagrin

Falls Historical Society to enjoy a great film

that shows us how advertising agencies

created some of the trends of our youth.

Includes Cereal Buffet to help start your day at CDFF!

\$15 Individual ticket - *Included in Festival membership packages*

SUSTAINABILITY IN BUSINESS PANEL & NETWORKING LUNCH

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 11:00 AM

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

40 River Street

Film: Sustainable Nation (60 mins., pg. 20)

How can business address the challenges of sustainable solutions?

Followed by a panel with the Boler College

of Business at John Carroll University

A business networking lunch follows in the

CVLT River Room.

\$12 Individual ticket

\$22 Film and lunch: *included in Festival membership packages*

Sponsored by the Donnelly School of Leadership and Social Innovation at John Carroll University

MEET THE FILMMAKERS HAPPY HOUR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 5:00 PM TO 6:00 PM

Heinen's Supermarket

20 Plaza Dr

Take a break from films at Heinen's

Bistro while you hobnob with some of our

fantastic filmmakers.

\$15 at venue - Includes wine samples,

beers on tap, appetizers and pizza.

Open to the public - Sponsored by Heinen's

CDFF COMEDY CLUB

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 8:00 PM

Chagrin Falls Township Hall

83 N. Main St.

Films: Swiped (9 mins.) pg. 45, 54 Blocks

(12 mins.) pg. 40, HeadGum: A Day in the

Strife (5 mins.) pg. 38

Who doesn't love a good Mockumentary?

Experience short mockumentaries, a perfor-

mance from HeadGum's favorite comedic

intern, Geoffrey James and some of our

talented local NEO comedians. Beer, wine

and snacks will be available for purchase.

FESTIVAL CLOSING CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 6:00 PM

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

40 River Street

Closing Film: Amazing Grace (89 mins., Pg. 22)

Celebrate an unforgettable 10th annual film fest with this inspiring film and a musical closing tribute to all who make this special festival possible.

Champagne and cake in the CVLT lobby following.

Sponsored by Susan Metallo, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services

\$15 Individual ticket - *Included with all Festival Membership packages*



FAMILY FUN DAY AT CDFF

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 - 10:00AM TO 5:00 PM

CFIS THEATER

65 Philomethian St.

Bring the family for a day of fun, including

family friendly films that will entertain the

whole gang. Activities include a visit from

Kelly's Working Well Farm animals and

music by Mr. Jeff.

Children 10 and under admitted free with a

parent. (*see schedule for list of films*)

Hawk's Lemonade Stand

11:00 am - 12:20 pm Outside CFIS Theater

Support a cause with some of Hawkin

Hunt's lemonade.

Proceeds to benefit LifExtraordinary

FESTIVAL AWARDS CEREMONY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 8:00 PM

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

40 River Street

The night sparkles with guest directors

and film enthusiasts as the 2019 Festival

Awards, and \$15,000 in prize funds will be

presented in 11 categories.

Awards Host: Loree Vick

Free and open to the public.

CELEBRATING STRONG WOMEN AND POWERFUL VOICES

Sponsored by the National Council of

Jewish Women Cleveland

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2:00 PM

CFIS THEATER

65 Philomethian St.

CDFF honors the National Council of Jew-

ish Women on the milestone of making a

difference for 125 years. Reception in the

CFIS atrium will be followed by film and

discussion. Reception included with film.

Film at 2:30pm: A Woman's Work: The NFL

Cheerleader Problem (80 mins. Pg. 17)

\$12 Individual ticket - *Included with Festival Membership*



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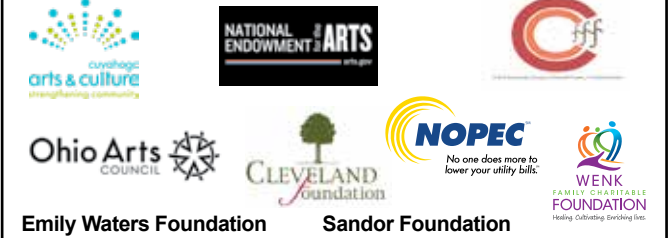
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Welcome

to the 2019 Chagrin Documentary Film Festival! This overview includes times, film locations and special events

Schedule is subject to change: Please check the Festival website for changes and updates. Detailed film listing begins on page 14.

Tuesday October 1

Preview Night

- Riverside Park**
Celebration of the Chagrin Valley
- 5:00 pm Food and music in the park
6:15 pm Grove Hill: A True Story (23 mins.)
7:00 pm 2019 Festival Preview
7:30 pm Fireworks
- South Franklin Circle**
5:00 pm The Woman Who Loves Giraffes (83 mins.) pg. 25
International Theme Dinner
5:30-6:30 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Film: Ballroom (67 mins.) pg. 35

Festival Tickets, Passes and Special Events

- Online:** www.chagrinfilmfest.org
In Person: Film Festival Headquarters
Starting Sept. 9
49 W. Orange Street
M-F 3-6 pm
- At the Door:** Subject to availability
By Phone: (440) 247-1591
- Doc Lovers Pass** (10 films + weekday matinees access) \$100
Festival Opening Film \$25
Individual Block Ticket \$12

Detailed film listings
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Wednesday October 2

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- Chagrin Valley Little Theatre**
11:00 am The Show's the Thing (95 mins.)
1:15 pm Winner of Peace (12 mins) pg. 45
Finding The Line (52 mins.)
3:00 pm A Modern Genocide (15 mins.) pg. 42
Factory of Lies (58 mins.)
5:00 pm 17 Blocks (96 mins)
- Chagrin Falls Township Hall**
11:30 am Social Awareness Shorts
Moment to Moment (13 mins.) pg. 42
Relentless (24 mins.) pg. 43
Composite (29 mins.) pg. 40
1:15 pm Social Awareness Shorts II
Soapmakers of Samabogo (3 mins.) pg. 44
A Song Can't Burn (12 mins.) pg. 44
Mother and Baby (18 mins.) pg. 42
Infamous Future (39 mins.) pg. 41
3:15 pm Love is Listening (56 mins.)
5:15 pm Looper's (80 mins.)

Illuminate Student Film Trip
Students Only
Chagrin Cinemas
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

CFIS Theater
7:30 pm Festival Opening Night Film
The Weight of Water (78 mins)

Screen by the Falls 24/5
Riverside Park
All throughout the festival catch fest updates, trailers and thank you's.
Sponsored by Hamlet at Chagrin Falls

	Chagrin Valley Little Theatre	Chagrin Falls Township Hall
11 AM	The Show's the Thing: The Legendary Promoters of Rock (pg. 32)	
12 PM		Social Awareness Shorts I
1 PM		
2 PM	Finding The Line (pg. 14)	Social Awareness Shorts II
3 PM		
4 PM	Factory of Lies (pg. 34)	Love is Listening (pg. 24, 50)
5 PM		
6 PM	17 Blocks (pg. 33)	Loopers: The Caddie's Long Walk (pg. 16)
7 PM		
8 PM		

Thursday October 3

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

- 11:00 am Catwalk (75 mins.)
1:00 pm Chasing the Taper (82 mins.)
3:00 pm Float (81 mins.)
5:20 pm General Magic (93 mins.)
8:00 pm Kifaru (81 mins.)

Chagrin Falls Township Hall

- 11:30 am Singular (63 mins.)
1:15 pm Art Paul of Playboy (73 mins.)
3:15 pm The City That Sold America (69 mins.)
5:30 pm Somm 3 (78 mins.) and wine tasting
8:15 pm Factory of Lies (58 mins.)

Chagrin Cinemas A

- 3:00 pm The Show's the Thing (95 mins.)
5:15 pm David Crosby: Remember My Name (95 mins.)
7:30 pm Don't Stop Believin' (105 mins.)

Chagrin Cinemas B

- 3:15 pm Changing the Game (90 mins.)
5:30 pm King Bibi (87 mins.)
7:45 pm You Only Die Twice (88 mins.)

CFIS Theater

- 5:15 pm Woman in Motion (95 mins.)
7:45 pm Armstrong (100 mins.)

Additional Venues:

St. Joan of Arc Church

- 8:30 am Docs and Donuts
A Joyful Gathering Place (5 mins.) pg. 38
Love, Trails, & Dinosaurs (8 mins.) pg. 41
Winner of Peace (12 mins) pg. 45
Stolen Apes (18 mins.) pg. 44
11:30 am Salad Luncheon
Yarrow (4 mins.) pg. 45
The Park (6 mins.) pg. 39
Sound and Sole (7 mins.) pg. 44
Sunset Songs (11 mins) pg. 45
Relentless (24 mins.) pg. 43

Federated Church

- 2:45 pm Inspiration Tea
Beautiful Rainbow (5 mins) pg. 40
The Lost Sparrows of Roodepoort (28 mins) pg. 39
Learning to Skateboard in a Warzone (if you're a girl) (40 mins.) pg. 26

	Chagrin Valley Little Theatre	Chagrin Falls Township Hall	Chagrin Cinemas A	Chagrin Cinemas B	CFIS Theater
10 AM					
11 AM	Catwalk: Tales from the Cat Show Circuit (pg. 21)	Singular (pg. 32)			
12 PM					
1 PM	Chasing the Taper (pg. 14)	Art Paul of Playboy: The Man Behind the Bunny (pg. 35)			
2 PM					
3 PM	Float (pg. 36)	The City That Sold America (pg. 36)	The Show's the Thing: The Legendary Promoters of Rock (pg. 32)	Changing the Game (pg. 17, 50)	
4 PM					
5 PM					
6 PM	General Magic (pg. 18)	Somm 3 (pg. 4, 38) Wine Tasting	David Crosby: Remember My Name (pg. 30)	King Bibi (pg. 26)	Women in Motion (pg. 18)
7 PM					
8 PM	Kifaru (pg. 20)	Factory of Lies (pg. 34)	Don't Stop Believin': Everyman's Journey (pg. 30)	You Only Die Twice (pg. 28)	Armstrong (pg. 17)
9 PM					

Friday
October 4

Chagrin Falls Historical Society
8:30 am Come as you are Breakfast pg. 5
The City that Sold America (69 mins.) pg. 36

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
11:30 am Sustainable Nation (60 mins.)
1:30 pm Soapmakers of Samabogo (3 mins.) pg. 44
The Curse of Abundance (69 mins.)
3:15 pm Art Paul of Playboy (73 mins.)
5:15 pm Changing the Game (90 mins.)
Side bar: CVLT River Room
7:30 pm Alla Zingara (62 mins.)

Chagrin Falls Township Hall
11:30 am Bike to the Fest Friday
The Third Conflict (7 mins.) pg. 45
Against the Wall (39 mins)
1:30 pm Who Killed Lt Van Dorn (80 mins.)
3:20 pm The Woman Who Loves Giraffes (83 mins.)
5:30 pm The Ringmaster (89 mins.)
8:00 pm Comedy Night
Swiped (9 mins.) pg. 45
54 Blocks (12 mins.) pg. 40
HeadGum: A Day in the Strife (5 mins.) pg. 38

Chagrin Cinemas A
2:15 pm Buried Seeds (74 mins.)
4:15 pm Voodoo: The Heartbeat of Jazz (5 mins) pg. 45
Singular (63 mins.)
6:00 pm Searching for Sugarman (86 mins.)
8:15 pm Don't Stop Believin': Everyman's Journey (105 mins.)

Chagrin Cinemas B
2:00 pm Norman Mineta (56 mins.)
3:45 pm Warsaw: A City Divided (70 mins.)
5:45 pm Guest House (75 mins.)
8:00 pm Maiden (97 mins.)

CFIS Theater
5:15 pm General Magic (93 mins.)
Panel
7:45 pm Framing John DeLorean (109 mins.)

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Table with 6 columns: Time, Chagrin Valley Little Theatre, Chagrin Falls Township Hall, Chagrin Cinemas A, Chagrin Cinemas B, CFIS Theater. Rows include film titles like Sustainable Nation, Against the Wall, The Curse of Abundance, and Who Killed Lt Van Dorn.

Heinen's Happy Hour
5-6 pm Heinen's Meet the Filmmakers
Happy Hour pg. 5

Valley Art Center - Art Films
6-7 pm Yarrow: The Virtues of Monochrome (4 mins.) pg. 45
Moment to Moment (13 mins.) pg. 42
Noble Sissle's Sync Ragtime (23 mins.) pg. 42

Saturday
October 5

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
10:45 am Chasing the Taper (82 mins.)
12:45 pm A Girl Named C (67 mins.)
3:00 pm Love is Listening (56 mins.)
5:15 pm Learning to Skateboard (40 mins.)
8:00 pm Festival Awards

Chagrin Falls Township Hall
10:15 am The Dog Doc (101 mins.)
1:00 pm Well-Groomed (85 mins.)
3:15 pm Local Focus Shorts
A Joyful Gathering Place (5 mins.) pg. 38
The Park (6 mins.) pg. 39
Creating a Legacy of Love (16 mins.) pg. 38
Labyrinth (21 mins.) pg. 38
Station Hope (26 mins.) pg. 39
5:15 pm Filmmaker Industry Networking
7:15 pm Framing John DeLorean (109 mins.)

Chagrin Cinemas A
10:30 am Finding The Line (52 mins.)
12:00 pm Ballroom (67 mins.)
1:45 pm Buried Seeds (74 mins.)
3:45 pm David Crosby (95 mins.)
6:00 pm Searching for Sugarman (86 mins.)
8:00 pm Looper's (80 mins.)

Chagrin Cinemas B
11:00 am The Third Conflict (7 mins.) pg. 45
Sustainable Nation (60 mins.)
1:00 pm Float (81 mins.)
3:00 pm The Ringmaster (89 mins.)
5:15 pm Who Killed Lt. Van Dorn (80 mins.)
7:15 pm Armstrong (100 mins.)

CFIS Theater / Family Day
10:00 am Family Shorts
Beautiful Rainbow (5 mins.) pg. 40
Love, Trails, & Dinosaurs (8 mins.) pg. 41
Robobots (17 mins.) pg. 43
Stolen Apes (18 mins.) pg. 44
Amazing Grace Lemonade Race (31 mins.) pg. 40
12:00 pm Biggest Little Farm (91 mins.)
2:15 pm Catwalk (75 mins.)
4:15 pm The Weight of Water (78 mins.)
6:30 pm Maiden (97 mins.)
8:30 pm Kifaru (81 mins.)

Federated Church
10:45 am Guanajuato Norte (23 mins.) pg. 40 / Losing Ground (54 mins.) pg. 20
1:00 pm Drug\$ (79 mins.) pg. 33
3:00 pm Against The Wall (39 mins.) pg. 14 / Trail Magic (50 mins.) pg. 18
5:15 pm Norman Mineta and His Legacy: An American Story (56 mins.) pg. 24

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Sunday
October 6

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

11:00 am Biggest Little Farm (91 mins.)
1:15 pm The Dog Doc (101 mins.)
3:45 pm Award winner (TBA)
6:00 pm Festival closing
Amazing Grace (89 mins.)

Chagrin Falls Township Hall

11:00 am I, Pastafari: A Flying Spaghetti Monster Story (40 mins.)
12:30 pm Return to Hardwick (72 mins.)
2:30 pm Sunday Social Awareness
Mother and Baby (18 mins.) pg. 42
One Word: Occupation (23 mins.) pg. 42
Guanajuato Norte (23 mins.) pg. 40
4:15 pm Warsaw: A City Divided (70 mins.)

South Franklin Circle

11:15 am You Only Die Twice (88 mins.)
1:30 pm King Bibi (87 mins.)
3:45 pm Scars (66 mins.)
5:30 pm SFC Shorts
The Race (10 mins.) pg. 43
Sound of a Wild Snail Eating (15 mins.) pg. 44
Winner of the 2019 Short Documentary Award

CFIS Theater

12:00 pm Woman in Motion (95 mins.)
2:00 pm NCJW 125th Anniversary Reception
2:30 pm A Woman's Work (80 mins.)

	Chagrin Valley Little Theatre	Chagrin Falls Township Hall	South Franklin Circle	CFIS Theater
10 AM				
11 AM	Biggest Little Farm (pg. 21)	I, Pastafari: A Flying Spaghetti Monster Story (pg. 36)	You Only Die Twice (pg. 28)	
12 PM				Woman in Motion (pg. 18)
1 PM		Return to Hardwick (pg. 37)		
2 PM	The Dog Doc (pg. 22)		King Bibi (pg. 26)	2:00 NCJW 125 th Anniversary Reception (pg. 5)
3 PM		Sunday Social Awareness		2:30 A Woman's Work (pg. 17, 51)
4 PM	Festival Award Winner	Warsaw: A City Divided (pg. 28)	Scars (pg. 24)	
5 PM			SFC Shorts	
6 PM	Festival closing Amazing Grace (pg. 5, 22)			
7 PM				



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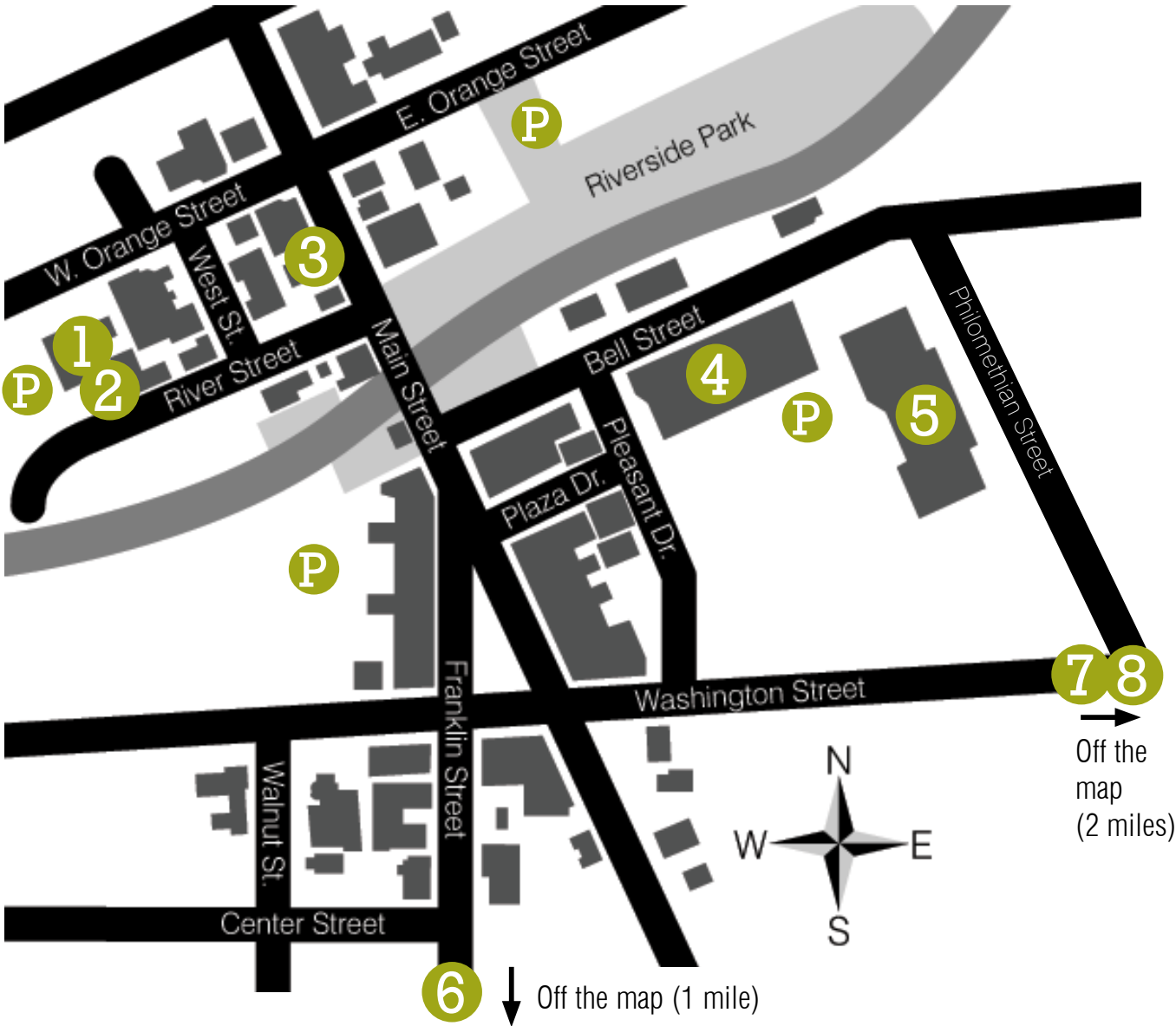
Doc Lovers Pass (10 films +
weekday matinees access) \$100

Festival Opening Film \$25

Individual Block Ticket \$12

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Film Festival Venues



1 CDOFF Filmmaker's Lounge
49 W. Orange St.
Phone: (440) 247-1591

2 Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River St.
Phone: (440) 247-8955

3 Chagrin Falls Township Hall
83 N. Main St.
Phone: (440) 247-8422

4 Federated Church
76 Bell St.
Phone: (440) 247-6490

5 CFIS Theatre
Chagrin Falls Intermediate School
65 Philomethian St.
Phone: (440) 893-7690

6 South Franklin Circle
16575 S. Franklin St.
Phone: (440) 247-1300
(1 mile off map)

7 St. Joan of Arc Church
496 E. Washington St.
Phone: (440) 247-7183
(1/2 mile off map)

8 Chagrin Cinemas A&B
8200 E. Washington St.
Phone: (440) 543-2022
(2 miles off map)

Filmmaker
Lounge

49 W. Orange St.
(Chagrin Documentary Film Fest World Headquarters)

The lounge is open Thursday through Saturday
from 10 am to 3 pm. We're here to answer all of your
Festival questions. Festival Members are invited to
stop in for refreshments, meet the visiting filmmakers
and plan your festival experience.

2019 Films CELEBRATING A DECADE OF IMPACT

CHALLENGING OURSELVES: ADVENTURE AND SPORTS DOCUMENTARIES



Against The Wall

Against The Wall **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Kyle Saylor
China, United States, 39 minutes

At age 8, Kevin Foster survived a 65,000-volt electrocution, leaving him unable to walk and with no memory. Despite a dire prognosis, Kevin is determined to turn his dreams into realities. At the top of the list: biking the 2300-mile Great Wall of China. Kevin broke down barriers, physically and politically, to make it happen, confirming you shouldn't let walls stand in the way of your goals.

Scheduled to appear: Kevin Foster and Kim Holland

Sponsored by Chagrin Valley Optometrists, Dr. Ronald Jurcak

FR 10/4, 11:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Town Hall
SA 10/5, 3:00 PM | Federated Church



Chasing the Taper

Chasing the Taper **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Mark Allen Davis
United States, 82 minutes

In a society obsessed with disposable goods, *Chasing the Taper* reminds us of the deep artistry and personal connection that develops between craftsmen and their creations. Follow the journey of those who have devoted themselves to the labor-intensive 19th century practice of creating every part of a fly rod by hand. Witness the passion required to become a master artisan.

Scheduled to appear: Mark Allen Davis and Jan Jensen

Fly Casting in Riverside Park with Chagrin River Outfitters following the Saturday screening.

Sponsored by Morgan Stanley

TH 10/3, 1:00 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
SA 10/5, 10:45 AM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre



Finding The Line

Finding The Line **Midwest Premiere**

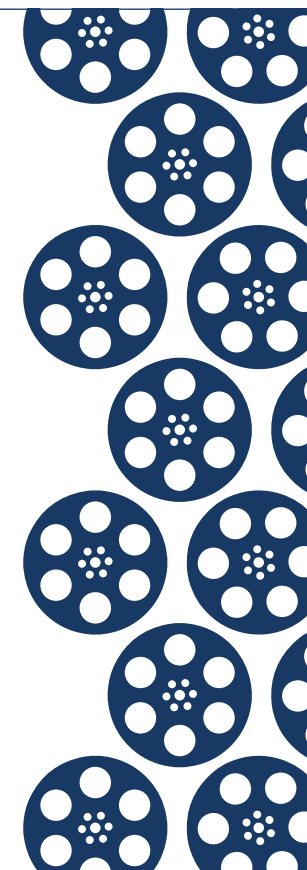
Directed by Bjarne Salén
Australia, Canada, France, United States, 52 minutes

Accomplished skiers, Nat and Anna Segal work to find the line between adrenaline rush and risk. Olympian Anna and World Tour Big Mountain skier Nat travel and ski together to better understand how fear drives their decision-making processes in contrasting ways. Skiing terrain that pushes their limits, the sisters discover that to move forward, you need to understand what is holding you back. *Adult Language.*

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WE 10/2, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
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Loopers: The Caddie's Long Walk

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Spotlight Film

Directed by Jason Baffa
United States, 80 minutes
Take a walk through the life of a caddie. Golf enthusiasts understand a caddie's edict: show up, keep up and shut up. In reality, a great caddie does so much more. Caddies master a deep relationship with their player, serving as friend, confidante, sports psychologist and technical advisor. *Loopers* unveils the poignant stories of the renowned Augusta National Club caddies and the heartfelt stories of famous pro partnerships.

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Maiden **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Alex Holmes
United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, 97 minutes
Tracy Edwards wanted to be more than a cook on a male-crewed competition yacht. Despite being a skilled navigator and avid sailor, she was denied opportunities. Knowing the world would not change for her, she changed her world. Faced with inconceivable odds, and equipped with unwavering determination, she skippered the first all-female crew and entered the grueling Whitbread Round the World Race. Was it all smooth sailing?

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FR 10/4, 8:00 PM | Chagrin Cinemas B
SA 10/5, 6:30 PM | CFIS Theater

The Weight of Water **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Michael Brown
United States, 78 minutes
At four years old, Erik Weißenmayer was diagnosed with a rare eye disease that left him blind. Determined to not limit his life, Erik has become an accomplished adventurer, ultimately taking up kayaking. After a great deal of training, he conquers the treacherous Grand Canyon waters, solo. During this unbelievably difficult kayak run, Erik works to overcome his fear of navigating the unpredictable river in the hope of living freely in the moment. Juxtaposed with stunning visuals, watch in awe as Erik partakes in the most challenging, yet important journey of his life.

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The Weight of Water

*“The Chagrin Documentary Film Festival felt like a family reunion where everyone actually **LIKES** each other. Filmmakers were treated with respect and appreciation, the venues and surroundings were scenic and charming, and the cross-section of filmmakers in attendance led to fascinating conversations and lasting connections. I can't wait to make another documentary so I have an opportunity to return!” — Kate Keckler Dandel, director; Gold Balls*

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Changing the Game



A Woman's Work: The NFL's Cheerleader Problem

Armstrong **Spotlight Film**

Directed by David Fairhead
United States, United Kingdom, 100 minutes
Never-before-seen family home-movie footage chronicles Neil Armstrong's incredible life in this dramatic and emotional film. With the support of the Armstrong family, including his two sons Rick and Mark, the film details his near-death experiences as a fighter pilot in Korea, his test pilot days, the drama and excitement of the Gemini 8 and Apollo 11 missions, and the challenges that followed his extraordinary fame.

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Changing the Game **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Michael Barnett
United States, 90 minutes
Follow the lives of three high school athletes at different stages of their athletic pursuits, personal lives, and paths as transgender teens. Sarah is a Nordic skier. Andraya is a track star. Mack is the Texas State Champion in wrestling. All work hard to thrive and gain a sense of self-worth while rising above daily harassment and discrimination. This film is a call for acceptance and understanding.

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Sidebar discussion following the Friday screening in the CVLT River Room
TH 10/3, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Cinemas B
FR 10/4, 5:15 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

A Woman's Work: The NFL's
Cheerleader Problem **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Yu Gu
United States, 80 minutes
Football and feminism collide in this feature documentary that follows former NFL cheerleaders battling their teams and the NFL to end 50 years of wage discrimination and illegal employment practices. Their fight for wage and gender equality embodies the challenges faced by working women across all industries today.
Reception in honor of NCJW's at 2:00 PM
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“Brilliant documentaries are about so much more than their subject.” — Gemma Whelan



General Magic

General Magic

Directed by Sarah Kerruish and Matt Maude
United States, 93 minutes
In 1990, the brightest and most creative minds form General Magic, an exciting new company. Working side by side, the trail-blazing entrepreneurs create the “next big thing” in Silicon Valley. By 1994, the company produces its first product: a handheld, wireless personal computer—what we now know as a smartphone. The catch... it’s two decades too early. Without the world wide web to support communication, General Magic crumbled. Through archival footage and interviews, we ride the wave of triumph and tragedy, and ultimately celebrate the value of big dreams.

Q&A discussion to follow with Dean Winkel from the Muldoon Center for Entrepreneurship at John Carroll University
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Trail Magic

Trail Magic

Directed by Peter Huston
United States, 50 minutes
Cultural barriers and discrimination oppressed Emma “Grandma” Gatewood for most of her life. Ultimately, she was a woman who couldn’t be held back. One of 15 siblings, she was born in 1887 in rural Ohio. At 19, she married and endured 32 years of abuse while raising 11 children. Taking the then uncommon step, she divorced her husband and searched for her next chapter. In 1955, Emma became the first woman to hike the Appalachian Trail solo. This a story of a trail-blazing maverick.

Scheduled to appear: Peter Huston
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SA 10/5, 3:00 PM | Federated Church



Woman in Motion

Woman in Motion **Sneak Peek**

Directed by Todd Thompson
United States, 95 minutes
In 1977, with just four months left, NASA struggles to recruit scientists, engineers and astronauts for its new Space Shuttle Program. That is when Nichelle Nichols, Star Trek’s Lt. Uhura, challenges them by asking the question: Where are my people? She embarks on a national blitz, recruiting 8,000 of the nation’s best and brightest, including the trailblazing astronauts who became the first African American, Asian and Latino men and women to fly in space.

Scheduled to appear: Todd Thompson and local film crew
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“I had such a great time at the Chagrin Documentary Film Festival. It was wonderful to see a whole community rally behind and embrace films that capture some of the most beautiful stories and most important issues of our time. The best moment for me was learning that a high school class came to see my film and it tied in directly with what they were learning.” — Jesse Medalia Strauss, director; I Approve this Message



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LOVING OUR PLANET: ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTARIES



The Curse of Abundance

The Curse of Abundance US Premiere

Directed by Ewa Ewart

Ecuador, Poland, 69 minutes

In 2007, Ecuador launched an initiative to leave some of its Amazonian oil reserves in the ground in exchange for financial compensation from the international community, ultimately protecting two cloistered indigenous tribes. Fast forward to 2017, Ecuador started drilling in the most pristine part of Yasuni, triggering new waves of protest. The film uncovers Ecuador's battle to reconcile its green ambitions with tough economic realities: a dilemma sparking debate about development, and climate change around the world. *Contains subtitles.*

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Kifaru

Kifaru

Directed by David Hambridge

Hong Kong, Kenya, 81 minutes

An intimate portrayal of wildlife conservancy, *Kifaru* follows two devoted caretakers as they sacrifice family life in exchange for protecting and doting on their beloved Sudan: the last male Northern White Rhino. Through their eyes, witness the joys and devastation as the endearing Sudan lives his final four years on the Ol Pejeta preserve. The award winning film puts a human face on extinction and unveils universal truths of humanity. What would you sacrifice to witness the last of a breed? *Contains partial subtitles. Rotary Club of Chagrin Valley Service Above Self Award Nominee*

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Losing Ground

Losing Ground World Premiere

Directed by Josh Comninellis

United States, 54 minutes

How fast are we losing farmland to urban sprawl? In a vast country, is every space usable to sustain farming? *Losing Ground* exposes the realities of shrinking farmland and increasing population needs, and the impact on both farmers and urbanites. Interspersed with poetic verse, this film provides an insider look at this complex reality. *Scheduled to appear: Josh Comninellis and Rachel Robinson*

Sponsored by Tony Oliverio

SA 10/5, 10:45 AM | Federated Church



Sustainable Nation

Sustainable Nation Ohio Premiere

Directed by Micah Smith

India, Israel, Uganda, United States, 60 minutes

Can we solve the global water crisis? Simply, we can. Over the past few decades, Israelis have developed a unique social consciousness around water conservation, resulting in homegrown solutions now used worldwide. On the forefront are three world citizens providing hope for our future. Follow them as they tackle a variety of challenges with interesting, sustainable solutions. *Contains partial subtitles.*

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CREATURE FEATURES - FOCUS ON ANIMAL FRIENDS LARGE AND SMALL



The Biggest Little Farm

The Biggest Little Farm Spotlight Film

Directed by John Chester

United States, 91 minutes

After rescuing a poorly behaved dog, Molly and John Chester are evicted from their small Santa Monica apartment. They choose to leave city-living for 200 acres of barren farmland: depleted of nutrients and suffering from a serious drought. These desolate conditions do not stop the couple from building up the farm's ecosystem and forming an unbreakable bond with the land. Embracing one challenge after another, this charming film shows us what is achievable with dogged perseverance. And our world is better for it.

Kelly's Working Well Farm will be on hand with some of their farm animals before the Saturday screening.

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SU 10/6, 11:00 AM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre



Catwalk:Tales from the Cat Show Circuit

Catwalk: Tales from the Cat Show Circuit Spotlight Film

Directed by Aaron Hancox and Michael McNamara

Canada, 75 minutes

Step aside Westminster Kennel Club, there's a new cat in town. Meet the fascinating felines and the people who pamper them in this whimsical look at Canada's competitive cat show circuit. See the claws come out when a Turkish Angora and an adorable fluffy red Persian face off to take home the national award for Best in Show. Is it all cat fights, or endearing friendships that prevail?

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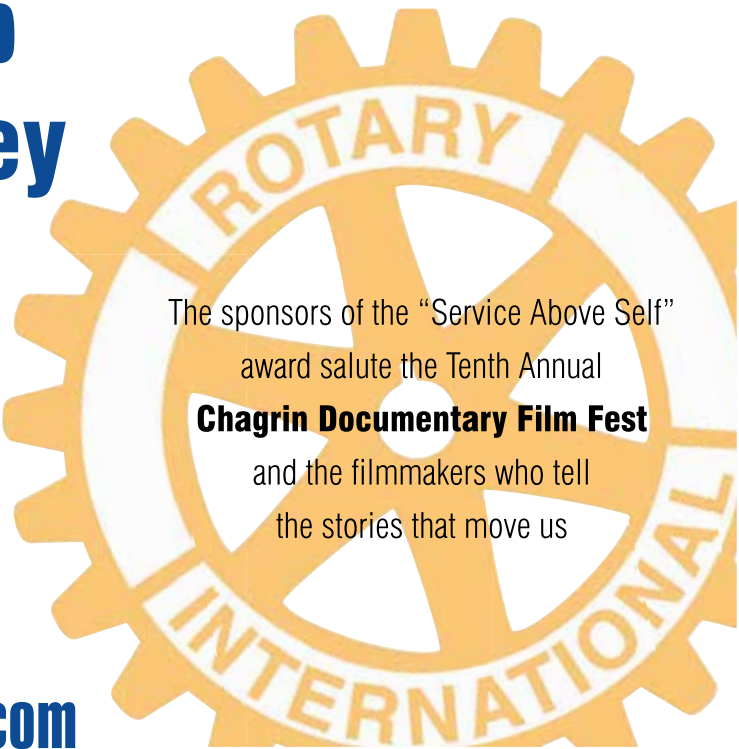
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The Dog Doc

The Dog Doc **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Cindy Meehl

United States, 101 minutes

Dr. Marty Goldstein offers hope to sick pets and their owners after all other treatment attempts have failed. A visionary in holistic care, Goldstein combines conventional medical practice with alternative therapies to improve overall health, rather than just treating symptoms or disease. His deeply empathetic philosophy touches both animal and owner. Is there a lesson for all living beings?

Sponsored by Annette Lowe and Doug Dolch

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SU 10/6, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

Well Groomed

Directed by Rebecca Stern

United States, 85 minutes

Have you ever seen a poodle turn into a mermaid? Here's your chance. Immerse yourself in the visually stunning and humorous world of competitive dog grooming. This is no ordinary competition, but a technicolor show of imagination. *Well Groomed* is a quirky look at competitive dog grooming.

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Well Groomed

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Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Alan Elliott and Sydney Pollack

United States, 89 minutes

She earned our respect and *Amazing Grace* reminds us why. Aretha Franklin recorded her gospel album live at the New Temple Missionary Baptist Church in 1972. The footage was never released. Now, we are front and center at the early days of a memorable career. Look back at the talent that inspired fellow musicians and listeners alike. You'll be on your feet with this show.

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Buried Seeds

Directed by Andrei Severny

India, United States, 74 minutes

Follow Michelin Star Chef Vikas Khanna on his immigrant journey. Born with clubbed feet, Vikas is bullied by his classmates. Taking refuge in his grandmother's kitchen, he discovers a passion for the vivid traditions of Indian cuisine. At 29, Vikas moves to New York with nothing and ends up in a homeless shelter. Through struggle and hard work, he becomes one of the most influential international chefs. What truly defines him is the will to recreate himself every single day. *Contains partial subtitles.*

Scheduled to appear: Andrei Severny and Edible Cleveland

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Love is Listening: Dementia Without Loneliness

Love is Listening: Dementia Without Loneliness **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Natalya Ryabova
United States, 56 minutes

Most of us know someone with dementia, but do we feel confident in our ability to connect with them meaningfully? The film offers insights from globally recognized authorities in the arts, science, and religion. They reveal how we can lift fear and uncertainty, really connect with those struggling with dementia and understand what it means to truly listen.

A panel discussion with the Executive Producer, Michael Verde, and Cleveland Clinic specialists will follow.

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Norman Mineta and His Legacy: An American Story

Norman Mineta and His Legacy: An American Story **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Dianne Fukami
United States, 56 minutes

Explore the extraordinary life of Norm Mineta and the grievous internment of Japanese during WWII through this inspirational and informative film. As a child, Mineta and his immigrant family were pulled from their home and shipped to a Wyoming camp to live out the war. Emerging with no bitterness, he dedicated his life to proving his loyalty as an American citizen, and to giving a voice to those that have none. From immigrant son to two-time presidential cabinet member, Mineta embodies the American story. See this film and next time you cross the street, you'll think of Norm.

Scheduled to appear: Dianne Fukami and Debra Nakaomi

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SA 10/5, 5:15 PM | Federated Church

Scars **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Didier Cros
France, 66 minutes

From a cancer survivor with a destroyed jaw, to a young woman who was shot in the face during an attack, five Parisians with visibly disfigured faces describe their daily experience. They feel isolated, and sometimes even humiliated, as a result of their appearance. They try to remain as unnoticed as possible, and feel that society treats them as 'others.' A famous Parisian portrait studio is set on changing this reality, however. Through a series of powerful photographs, the portraits not only redefine how these people view themselves, but change the way society views them. *Contains subtitles.*

SU 10/6, 3:45 PM | South Franklin Circle



Scars

“Chagrin Film Festival was just awesome! Staying at a local family’s home, and getting to spend time with the film loving volunteers and staff made it uniquely intimate, and yet, the film-makers and the quality of their work was world-class. I feel lucky to have been able to premier my film Three Boys Manzanar here, and I hope to be back again with my next documentary.”

— **Preeti Mankar Deb (Director of Three Boys Manzanar)**



The Woman Who Loves Giraffes

The Woman Who Loves Giraffes **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Alison Reid

Canada, Kenya, South Africa, United States, 83 minutes

Follow the life story of Anne Innis Dagg: trailblazer, scholar, conservationist, and giraffe enthusiast. The Jane Goodall of giraffe research, Anne pursued her passion and landed in Africa in the 1950's to research the then little understood animal. Upon her return to academia, she fought to further women's presence and equality in the male-dominated arena. Set to current day interviews with original footage and letters, we have an upfront view of wild Africa and one of the world's most unique gifts.

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Alla Zingara

Alla Zingara US Premiere

Directed by Glória Halász
Hungary, 62 minutes

A film for music and culture lovers, *Alla Zingara*, follows the talented musicians of the 100-member Budapest Gypsy Symphony Orchestra. We witness the power of music to connect people across cultures and generations. The passionate melodies connect the musicians to their deep heritage and Gypsy players. Experience the powerful music that embodies the history, culture, and the musicians' personal journeys. *Contains partial subtitles.*

Scheduled to appear: Glória Halász

A reception with Hungarian food and music will follow the film.

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King Bibi

King Bibi

Directed by Dan Shadur
Israel, 87 minutes

King Bibi explores Benjamin Netanyahu's rise to power. From his days as a popular guest expert on American TV, through his public confession of adultery, and his mastery of the art of social media. Bibi evolved from Israel's great political hope, to become a controversial figure. Is he Israel's savior or a cynical politician who will stop at nothing to retain his power? *Contains partial subtitles.*

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Learning to Skateboard in a Warzone (if you're a girl)

Learning to Skateboard in a Warzone
(if you're a girl) Ohio Premiere

Directed by Carol Dysinger
United States, Afghanistan, 40 minutes

In war torn Afghanistan, girls are learning to read, write... and skateboard. That's right. In a society where girls are often denied education, courageous mentors recruit poor kids and teach them academic and life skills in hope of a brighter future. Using skateboarding as a teaching tool, the young recruits earnestly build their courage and strength, and find a little joy along the way. *Contains subtitles.*

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Warsaw: A City Divided

Warsaw: A City Divided US Premiere

Directed by Eric Bednarski
Poland, 70 minutes

In 1941, shortly after Nazis created the divided Warsaw Jewish Ghetto, a Polish amateur camera enthusiast shot a 10-minute film from both sides of the Ghetto walls. Along with survivor and witness testimonies, as well as urban historian's accounts, the never been seen before footage lifts the veil on the insidious Nazi process of division and resettlement that nearly decimated a vibrant, multicultural city. *Contains subtitles.*

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You Only Die Twice Ohio Premiere

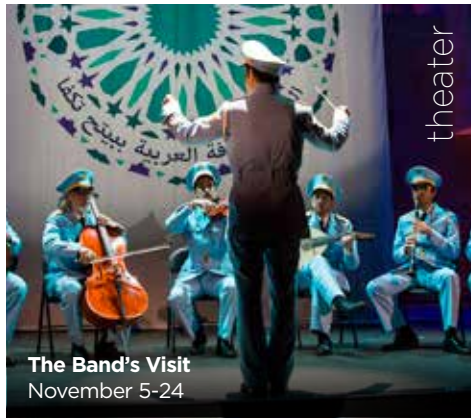
Directed by Yair Lev and David Deri
Austria, Croatia, Israel, 88 minutes

Follow documentarian Yair Lev as he sets out on a personal and historical journey to uncover the truth behind the man who stole his grandfather's identity during WW2. Spurred by an unexpected inheritance requiring proof of family. Two death certificates for one man are revealed, sparking Lev's detective work. Lev shares archival documents that peel back the layers of this mystery person. This 'whodunit' film not only contains a daunting mystery, but also evolves into a drama of survival and love.

Scheduled to appear: Yair Lev

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David Crosby: Remember My Name

David Crosby: Remember My Name Spotlight Film

Directed by A.J. Eaton
United States, 95 minutes

Meet David Crosby through this portrait of a musician with the word “retire” absent from his vocabulary. Crosby shares his often-challenging 50-year journey as a musical icon with unflinching honesty. Racked with health and personal issues, Crosby is forging a new path and continuing to make his mark in a new world and with a new generation.

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Don't Stop Believin': Everyman's Journey

Don't Stop Believin': Everyman's Journey Spotlight Film (2013)

Directed by Ramona S. Diaz
United States, Philippines, 105 minutes

Short a lead singer, Journey searches for a Steve Perry sound alike who can deliver the tough vocals. The band stumbles on a YouTube video of a Filipino man performing covers of songs ranging from Foreigner, Bon Jovi and Journey. Arnel Pineda is plucked from obscurity and lands the gig, sharing his talent and performing on world tours. Don't stop believin', dreams can come true.

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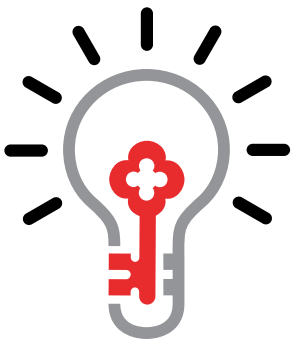
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Searching for Sugarman

Searching for Sugarman **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Malik Bendjelloul
Sweden, United Kingdom, Finland, South Africa, United States, 86 minutes
An early '70s musician, Rodrigues slips into obscurity in the U.S.. Unbeknownst to him, halfway around the world, he becomes a platinum record hit in South Africa. Spurred by a widely rumored myth that their beloved singer/songwriter had died, two documentarians set out to learn Rodrigues' fate. After nearly two decades of searching, they find him living in poverty in Detroit. Convinced to perform in Cape Town, Rodrigues ultimately discovers the remarkable impact of his music and lyrics. *An Academy Award winning film of the human spirit and of what's possible.*

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SA 10/5, 6:00 PM | Chagrin Cinemas A



The Show's the Thing: The Legendary Promoters of Rock

The Show's the Thing: The Legendary Promoters of Rock

Directed by Molly Bernstein and Philip Dolin
United States, 95 minutes
Do you remember your first rock concert? More than likely, a great concert promoter made it happen. Through the 60's and 70's musicians depended on radio networks and concert managers to launch their careers and sell albums. Each big city had a local promoter that paired bands, arranged live gigs and influenced the radio stations. Where would the Rolling Stones and Carlos Santana be today without them?

Scheduled to appear: Philip Dolin

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WE 10/2, 11:00 AM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
TH 10/3, 3:00 PM | Chagrin Cinemas A

Singular **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Dennis Scholl and Marlon Johnson
United States, 63 minutes
There's a new singer on the scene. Her name is Cecile McLorin Salvant. Add her name on the list of great jazz artists like Billie Holiday and Sarah Vaughan. Follow her story from her Haitian and French heritage to her studies in Europe and breakout successes in the United States, winning the Thelonious Monk International Jazz Competition and two Grammy awards. Be charmed by her smooth cadences and humble persona.

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TH 10/3, 11:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall
FR 10/4, 4:15 PM | Chagrin Cinemas A



Singular

"The spirit of Sparrow has touched me personally as a beacon of light in my own fight for life. And to this I forever owe gratitude and have sworn to myself to produce something substantial in propagating the idea of hope and joy in the face of something so ugly." — David Ponce

"In feature films the director is God; in documentary films, God is the director."

— Alfred Hitchcock

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17 Blocks

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Directed by Davy Rothbart
United States, 96 minutes
Nine-year-old Emmanuel started filming himself and his family with a home video camera in 1999, capturing a child's perspective of life in D.C. Just 17 blocks from our nation's Capital, daily life is fraught with poverty, violence and addiction. The film captures the steadfast bonds of family life over a 20-year odyssey. *Collaboration with This American Life contributor Davy Rothbart.*

Sponsored by the Wenk Family Charitable Foundation

WE 10/2, 5:00 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

Drug\$ **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Jonathan Marshall Thompson
India, United Kingdom, United States, 79 minutes
Academy Award winner J.K. Simmons narrates this look into the soaring price of medicine in the U.S.. Featuring interviews with academics, patients, advocates and political leaders, the film uncovers the struggle between corporate missions and affordable access to medicine, resulting from a shift in the pharmaceutical industry's guiding morals. In layman terms, the film analyzes the complexities of drug pricing from varying vantage points, diagnosing what is broken within the system and assessing options for healing.

SA 10/5, 1:00 PM | Federated Church



Drug\$

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Factory of Lies



A Girl Named C



Guest House



Who Killed Lt. Van Dorn?

Factory of Lies Midwest Premiere

Directed by Jakob Gottschau

Russian Federation, Sweden, United Kingdom, 58 minutes
Cable networks deliver daily news of Russian involvement in our politics. *Factory of Lies* depicts just how. Introducing a new cyber weapon, Russians are producing fake news from so-called “Troll Factories” to spread misinformation. Fake Facebook profiles and Twitter postings lies spread through social media in the US and Europe to manipulate public opinion. Some Russian journalists are fighting back—and this is their story. *Contains partial subtitles.*

Sponsored by the Chagrin Valley Times

WE 10/2, 3:00 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
TH 10/3, 8:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

A Girl Named C

Directed by Emily Kassie

United States, 67 minutes
At the age of 11, a girl is assaulted by her classmate and she tells no one. Soon after, her parents notice somber changes in her once carefree personality. Suspecting something amiss, they search for possible explanations. Through loving patience and attention, ‘C’ reveals her heart-wrenching story to her family, and ultimately to the world. Artfully told, *A Girl Named C* puts an everyday face on the staggering statistics of sexual assaults, and provides the viewer with a look into the life of a child survivor.

The director and subject and her family will be in attendance to see the film for the first time with an audience.

Sponsored by The United Way of Greater Cleveland

SA 10/5, 12:45 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

Guest House Midwest Premiere

Directed by Hannah Dweck and Yael Luttwak

United States, 75 minutes
Starting a new chapter in life following drug addiction and incarceration is complicated. For those with no support systems, it’s nearly impossible. The justice system fails to educate and transition former convicts. The *Guest House* offers an alternative to three women while they rebuild their lives upon release from prison. With the support of the *Guest House*, they peel back the layers that drove them to use and find understanding and a way forward.

Scheduled to appear: Jeremy Bullock

FR 10/4, 5:45 PM | Chagrin Cinemas B

Who Killed Lt. Van Dorn?

Directed by Zachary Stauffer

United States, 80 minutes
Lt. Wes Van Dorn, a 29-year-old U.S. Naval Academy graduate and married father of two sons, died in a crash off the coast of Virginia while piloting an MH-53E helicopter during a 2014 training exercise. Upon hearing the Navy’s accounting of the accident, his widow sparks a separate investigation. Since Wes had been convinced that the helicopters were death traps, he had recorded his own observations as well as those of his charges. Armed with that information, a long history of negligence and institutional failings are uncovered.

Scheduled to appear: Zachary Stauffer and Mike Hixenbaugh

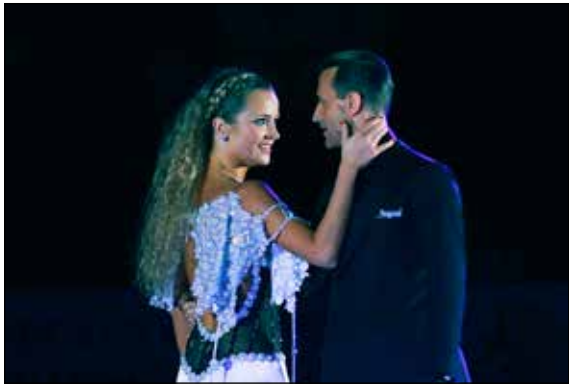
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FR 10/4, 1:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall
SA 10/5, 5:15 PM | Chagrin Cinemas B

WHO KNEW? THE STORY BEHIND THE STORY



Art Paul of Playboy: the Man Behind the Bunny



Ballroom

Art Paul of Playboy: the Man Behind the Bunny Ohio Premiere

Directed by Jennifer Hou Kwong (Jian Ping)

United States, 73 minutes
Take a closer look at the iconic “Playboy Magazine”. There’s more to it than meets the eye. You know Hugh Hefner, but have you heard of Art Paul? Art Paul was a founding partner of “Playboy Magazine”, serving as Art Director for nearly three decades. He created the iconic bunny and changed the direction of art culture in the 50’s and 60’s. A humble mentor to young illustrators and artists, Art dedicated his life to creating a platform for mentees to showcase their talents. Get a glimpse into the intricacies that made this magazine revolutionary.

Scheduled to appear: Jennifer Hou Kwong (Jian Ping) and Ellis Goodman
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TH 10/3, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall
FR 10/4, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

Ballroom US Premiere

Directed by Alexander Zaitsev

Russian Federation, 67 minutes
As anyone who’s danced at a wedding knows, keeping off your partner’s toes takes some concentration. The world of ballroom competition takes it to a world-class athlete level. Two ballroom dance couples open their lives to display the intricacies that make the sport grueling and competitive. What motivates them to perform? Do they pair for life? You’ll tap your toes to the great sights and sounds of these tangoes. *Contains partial subtitles. Dancers from Viva Dance Studio will give a brief ballroom demonstration following the Tuesday screening.*

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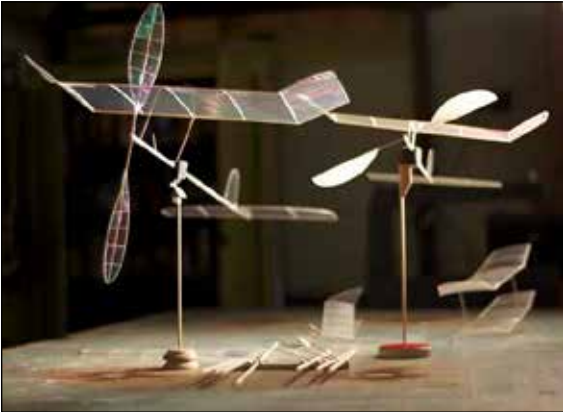
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The City That Sold America



Float



Framing John DeLorean



I, Pastafari: A Flying Spaghetti Monster Story

The City That Sold America

Directed by Ky Dickens

United States, 69 minutes

This retrospective film chronicles the evolution of Chicago's booming marketing and advertising industries throughout the 20th century. Initially a central gathering place for people moving between coasts, and later a destination for southerners escaping Jim Crow laws, Chicago turned into a hotbed of entrepreneurs that shaped consumerism as we know it. From Tony the Tiger to What's Uuup?, these campaigns changed our relationship with popular culture and created lasting impressions.

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TH 10/3, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

FR 10/4, 8:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Historical Society

Float

Directed by Phil Kibbe

Argentina, Canada, Japan, Romania, Serbia, United Kingdom, United States, 81 minutes

Go underground into the world of flight. While most of us peaked at mastering paper airplanes, a few ardent devotees mastered the skill of competitive model aviation. In a world consumed by speed, these craftsmen are fitted with patience and passion. Competitors spend countless hours designing, creating and tweaking their featherweight planes, all for just minutes of flight. Watch as these fascinating planes float through the air in the championship ring of a salt mine. Their prize? Not a penny, only pride and admiration from their fellow compadres.

Scheduled to appear: Ben Saks

Sponsored by Sky Quest

TH 10/3, 3:00 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

SA 10/5, 1:00 PM | Chagrin Cinemas B

Framing John DeLorean **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Don Argott and Sheena M. Joyce

United States, United Kingdom, 109 minutes

Would the real John DeLorean please rise? To some, DeLorean was an innovative visionary in the auto industry. To others, he was a fraud. Obsessed with money, power, and creating a sports car that would change the world, DeLorean climbs the ranks of General Motors and rises to notoriety with meteoric speed. However, his extraordinary quest is cut short by shocking drug trafficking charges. Interspersed with archival footage and clever reenactments by Alec Baldwin, take a captivating look at a man who gambled everything to chase the American dream.

Sponsored by Junction Auto Family and Frank & Doris Lanza

FR 10/4, 7:45 PM | CFIS Theater

SA 10/5, 7:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

I, Pastafari: A Flying Spaghetti Monster Story **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Mike Arthur

Austria, Germany, Netherlands, United States, 40 minutes

Over the course of the last decade, the world witnessed the rise of a brand new religion: The Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster. Follow the members of this religion, known as Pastafarians, as they attempt to voice their beliefs about the creation of the universe by the Flying Spaghetti Monster in the face of increasing discrimination and ridicule from more established faiths.

SU 10/6, 11:00 AM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall



Return to Hardwick



The Ringmaster

Return to Hardwick **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Michael Sellers

United States, United Kingdom, 72 minutes

Sons, daughters and grandchildren of the greatest generation travel to England to uncover the history of a disappearing World War II air base. The 93rd Bombardment Group was a United States strategic bomber unit stationed in the East Anglia section of England. Veterans, family members and friends meet every year at group reunions in the U.S. to fulfill the group's by-laws which focus on educating future generations. This is their story.

Scheduled to appear: Michael Sellers

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SU 10/6, 12:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

The Ringmaster **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Molly Dworsky and Dave Newberg

United States, 89 minutes

An aging chef from Minnesota has his life turned upside down when a relentless filmmaker from Las Vegas tries to make the chef's onion rings world famous. Like a circus, there's a lot going on. Who's the master? Who's putting order to the ring? And, who ultimately becomes the focus of the film? Meet a quirky chef and a larger than life filmmaker.

Zach Capp, the original director and subject of the film will be in attendance.

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FR 10/4, 5:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

SA 10/5, 3:00 PM | Chagrin Cinemas B



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Somm 3



Creating a Legacy of Love



HeadGum



A Joyful Gathering Place



Labyrinth

Somm 3 **Spotlight Film**

Directed by Jason Wise
United States, 78 minutes

Three of the greatest legends of the wine industry meet to drink the rarest bottles of their careers, while the best blind tasters of today gather to settle an age-old argument. The results just may remind us that the best wines may not be determined by scores and price, but where you are and who you're with when first tasting. *Special Event: wine tasting with Master Sommelier Laura Fiorvanti following film.*

Sponsored by Merrill Lynch

TH 10/3, 5:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

LOCAL SHORTS

Creating a Legacy of Love: The Ronald McDonald House® of Cleveland Founders' Story

Directed by Kelley Hynds
United States, 16 minutes

Be transported back 40 years to the birth of the Ronald McDonald House® of Cleveland. Explore how it has grown from a modest group of parents, medical professionals and friends helping children in need into something that means so much more to hundreds of families.

SA 10/5, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

HeadGum: A Day in the Strife **Mockumentary**

Directed by Geoffrey James
United States, 5 minutes

CDF 2013 Student Award winner Geoffrey James returns with this tongue in cheek portrayal of Headum's favorite intern.

FR 10/4, 8:00 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

A Joyful Gathering Place **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Chris Langer & Kim Sutton
United States, 5 minutes

Karamu House is the oldest operating African American theatre in the country. Today, the architects of Robert P. Madison International, Sandra Madison and her team have taken on a massive project to restore the theatre and the community around it to their former glory.

TH 10/3, 8:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

SA 10/5, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

Labyrinth

Directed by Malen Cuturic, Colin Donovan, Andre Holland, Sam Marshall, Brendan Ours, Kyle Sminchak and James Welch
United States, 21 minutes

Join the St. Edward High School Film Department as they interview women of different ages from all different backgrounds and discover the harassment, misogyny, and assault these women face on a daily basis.

SA 10/5, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall



The Park



Station Hope: A Conversation

The Lost Sparrows of Roodepoort

Directed by Brock Carter and David Ponce
South Africa, 28 minutes

The inspiration behind the Chagrin Documentary Film Festival. The film was originally begun by David Ponce, a film student at Chapman University Film School. After David's passing, his professor Michael Kowalski and friend Brock Carter, completed the film. A documentary glimpse into the lives of HIV/AIDS afflicted orphans in South Africa's "Sparrow Village."

Sponsored by Become Known and John Gadd

TH 10/3, 2:45 PM | Federated Church

The Park

Directed by Henry Ortlip
United States, 6 minutes

Experience the rich history of the Chagrin Falls Park and Community Center's unique connections to its surroundings and to the expansive benefits it provides to the neighborhood as a whole.

TH 10/3, 11:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

SA 10/5, 3:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

Station Hope: A Conversation

Directed by Simone Barros
United States, 26 minutes

This film captures the history of a people seeking freedom along the Underground Railroad with all the tenacity, courage and enduring spirit that Clevelanders have inherited in their continued journey to freedom.

SA 10/5, 3:15 PM Chagrin Falls Township Hall

KEEP IT BRIEF: SHORT DOCUMENTARIES AND MOCKUMENTARIES



54 Blocks

54 Blocks US Premiere - Mockumentary

Directed by Jonty Davies-Conyngham
Australia, 12 minutes
In this intense tale of heated competition, retired Mouth Jenga competitor Tim Wilson returns to Dunedoo’s annual tournament to take on reigning champion Daz Brookes.

FR 10/4, 8:00 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall



Amazing Grace Lemonade Race

Amazing Grace Lemonade Race Ohio Premiere

Directed by Eric Smidt
United States, 31 minutes
Join Grace McCunn, a 10-year old girl diagnosed with chronic daily migraines, as she expands her modest lemonade stand into a massive philanthropic venture.

Hawken Hunt, the inspiration for LifExtraordinary, will have his own lemonade stand following the screening at CDFF Family Day.

SA 10/5, 10:00 AM | CFIS Theater



Beautiful Rainbow

Beautiful Rainbow Ohio Premiere

Directed by Heather Rickles
United States, 5 minutes
Using only their persistence and spunk, Matthew and Tay join the real workforce following their simple farm-to-table education program.

TH 10/3, 2:45 PM | Federated Church

SA 10/5, 10:00 AM | CFIS Theater



Composite

Composite Ohio Premiere

Directed by Patrick W. Shaver
United States, 29 minutes
From mother Marla Lawson’s earliest days with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to daughter Kelly’s continuation of the sketching legacy, there has rarely been a time when the Lawson family hasn’t been involved with art.

WE 10/2, 11:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall



Guanajuato Norte

Guanajuato Norte World Premiere

Directed by Ingrid Holmquist and Sana A. Malik
Mexico, 23 minutes
Winy Contreras has always been a family man above all. Now, he faces one of the biggest challenges of his life: leaving his family behind in order to better provide for them. *Contains subtitles.*

Illuminate Student Film Trip Selection

SA 10/5, 10:45 AM | Federated Church

SU 10/6, 2:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall



The Infamous Future

The Infamous Future

Directed by Richard Butterworth
United States, 39 minutes
The issue of the American prison system comes to the forefront after reports of 75% of New York state inmates coming from the same seven neighborhoods within the city. Now, one civic organization seeks to change things for these New Yorkers before they continue to get worse.

Illuminate Student Film Trip Selection

WE 10/2, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall



Love, Trails, & Dinosaurs

Love, Trails, & Dinosaurs

Directed by Alex Oliver
United States, 8 minutes
25-year-old Garan Moore made his mark on the history books, becoming the first person with autism to hike all of the 900-mile trails within the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Follow along as he brings his genuine joy and passion along the trails with him.

Illuminate Student Film Trip Selection

TH 10/3, 8:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

SA 10/5, 10:00 AM | CFIS Theater



Made in China: Reforming China's Supply Chain

Made in China: Reforming China’s Supply Chain

Directed by Gabriel Diamond and Matthew Beighley
United States, China, 9 minutes
For years, China has valued aggressive growth at the cost of environmental protection. Ma Jun emerged as a bold and singular voice. His groundbreaking use of data and transparency holds industry accountable and makes clear the costs of toxic pollution.

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A Modern Genocide



Moment to Moment



Mother & Baby



Noble Sissle's Syncopated Ragtime



One Word: Occupation

A Modern Genocide Midwest Premiere

Directed by Noman Robin and Bart Gavigan

Bangladesh, United States, 15 minutes

After the devastation brought by the Rohingya Genocide, the surviving citizens of Rakhine, Myanmar attempt to take the painful memories they're left with and turn them into hopes for the future. *Contains subtitles.*

WE 10/2, 3:00 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

Moment to Moment Midwest Premiere

Directed by Mike Attie

United States, 13 minutes

After Carl is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, his physics career ends and he turns to dismantling electronics in search of cooper. His wife, an artist, incorporates the copper into art.

WE 10/2, 11:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

FR 10/4, 6:00 PM | Valley Arts Center

Mother & Baby

Directed by Mia Mullarkey

Ireland, 18 minutes

Enter the horrific atmosphere within an Irish Mother and Baby Home, where children taken and sold. Through archive footage and first-person perspectives, the children of Ireland's unwed mothers provide insight into the cruelty and inhumanity within this business. *Contains partial subtitles.*

WE 10/2, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

SU 10/6, 2:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

Noble Sissle's Syncopated Ragtime

Directed by Daniel Bernardi and David de Rozas

United States, 23 minutes

Allow brand new archival footage and period-favorite music to tell you the tale of Noble Sissle, from his days with the "The Harlem Hellfighters" of World War I to his impact on the Civil Rights movement.

FR 10/4, 6:00 PM | Valley Arts Center

One Word: Occupation

Midwest Premiere

Directed by Nejemye Tenenbaum

Israel, Mexico, Palestine, 23 minutes

Through compelling testimony with film and video footage, animations and rarely published photographs, discover the deep cultural effects of the Israeli military occupation.

Contains partial subtitles.

SU 10/6, 2:30 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

"I began to feel that the drama of the truth that is in the moment and in the past is richer and more interesting than the drama of Hollywood movies. So I began looking at documentary films."

— Ken Burns



The Race



Relentless



Robobots

The Race Midwest Premiere

Directed by Dina Rudick

Netherlands, United States, 10 minutes

A Huntington's Disease researcher must face the disease she studies in a more personal way than ever when she comes into contact with a family whose history is riddled with tragedy due to the sickness. Together, this researcher and Huntington's patient must race the clock to find treatment.

SU 10/6, 5:30 PM | South Franklin Circle

Relentless Midwest Premiere

Directed by Shelby Thompson

United States, 24 minutes

Come on a journey of love and acceptance as a young athlete turns the tragedy of becoming a quadriplegic into a determination to embrace challenge and grow from it.

WE 10/2, 11:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

TH 10/3, 11:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

Robobots

Directed by Jeremy Bout

United States, 17 minutes

After months of innovative design, planning and engineering, teams of high school students battle to find out who built the best combat robot around.

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Soapmakers of Samabogo

Soapmakers of Samabogo **US Premiere**

Directed by Hannah Stanton-Jones and Tadg O’Keeffe
Mali, 3 minutes

Enter the village of Samabogo, where a group of strong, cooperative women have begun to build an empire from an unexpected material. Meet the Soapmakers of Samabogo and discover the entrepreneurial spirit living in southern Mali. *Contains subtitles.*

WE 10/2, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall
FR 10/4, 1:30 PM | Chagrin Valley Little Theatre

A Song Can’t Burn **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Roscoe Neil
Lebanon, United Kingdom, United States, 12 minutes
Since 1992 professor and musician Nigel Osborne developed techniques to use music as therapy for children suffering the effects of trauma. These methods are now being used into a program for Syrian refugees who have fled to Lebanon.

Illuminate Student Film Trip Selection

WE 10/2, 1:15 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

Sound and Sole **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Cara Hagan
United States, 7 minutes
Growing up in the Appalachian Mountains, Arthur Grimes quickly discovered his love for dance. Today, his experiences as the only professional African-American buck dancer in Boone, North Carolina have brought him a deeper appreciation for Appalachian music, dance and history.

TH 10/3, 11:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

The Sound of a Wild Snail Eating
Midwest Premiere

Directed by Elisabeth Tova Bailey
United States, 15 minutes
A bedridden woman finds companionship and life parallels in a caregiver’s gift: a snail. The woman and snail share an intimate journey of survival and resilience. *This is a hybrid film with reenactments of true events.*

SU 10/6, 5:30 PM | South Franklin Circle

Stolen Apes **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Colin Sytsma
Kenya, Thailand, 18 minutes
Daniel Stiles, renowned investigator in the illegal wildlife trade, faces the most difficult challenges of his career. Two trafficked Orangutans inspire him to deal with illegal trafficking in new and innovative ways. *Illuminate Student Film Trip Selection*

TH 10/3, 8:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church
SA 10/5, 10:00 AM | CFIS Theater



Stolen Apes



Sunset Songs



Swiped



The Third Conflict



Voodoo: The Heartbeat of Jazz



Winner of Peace



Yarrow: The Virtues of Monochrome

Sunset Songs **World Premiere**

Directed by Cody Ball
United States, 11 minutes
Lenny Zarcone has spent years building his skills in the entertainment world, but now he is finding the most rewarding moments to be the least expected ones.

TH 10/3, 11:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

Swiped **Mockumentary**

Directed by Steve Whiteley
United Kingdom, 9 minutes
In this parody of popular true crime documentaries, a group of friends seeks to bring awareness to the oblivion fostered by mobile phone use. Join them as they hop on their mopeds and interact with the people in their community.

FR 10/4, 8:00 PM | Chagrin Falls Township Hall

The Third Conflict **Ohio Premiere**

Directed by Zebulon Griffin
Kenya, 7 minutes
In Masai Mara in southwestern Kenya, collaboration is key. As they work together to improve the quality of life for wildlife around them, they also foster success within the community itself. *Contains partial subtitles.*

FR 10/4, 11:30 AM | Chagrin Falls Town Hall
SA 10/5, 11:00 AM | Chagrin Cinemas B

Voodoo: The Heartbeat of Jazz
World Premiere

Directed by Ben Bond and Corentin Leroux
United States, 5 minutes
Dive deep into the history of the Voodoo religion and explore its deep connection to the roots of jazz in New Orleans. Watch as the two grow together into the fabric of this diverse cultural hub. *Contains partial subtitles*

FR 10/4, 4:15 PM | Chagrin Cinemas A

Winner of Peace **Midwest Premiere**

Directed by Taylor Killefer and Marisa Kelly
Australia, 12 minutes
After reading her controversial poems on the topic of racism in Australia on the popular “Australia’s Got Talent”, Sukhjot Kaur Khalsa faced harsh judgement from both the outside and inside of her community. Now, she comes to terms with this judgement and finds tranquility.

TH 10/3, 8:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church

Yarrow: The Virtues of Monochrome

Directed by Abraham Joffe ACS and Dom West
Australia, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, 4 minutes
Renowned photographer and artist Abraham Joffe transports us to the ends of the earth for the perfect monochrome photograph. Four minutes of sheer beauty.

TH 10/3, 11:30 AM | St. Joan of Arc Church
FR 10/4, 6:00 PM | Valley Arts Center

2019 Spotlight Films

The Chagrin Documentary Film Festival has invited these important documentary films this year, in celebration of our 10th Anniversary. These amazing films are not eligible for Festival Award competition.

Amazing Grace (2019)
Armstrong (2019)
The Biggest Little Farm (2018)
Catwalk: Tales from the Cat Show Circuit (2018)
Changing the Game (2019)
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Panel Discussions and Film Events

How Do We Create a Sustainable Nation?

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Friday, October 4 | 11:30 am
Film: *Sustainable Nation* (60 mins.) pg. 20
Film only \$12

Film and lunch: \$22

One in nine people lack access to safe water. The World Health Organization estimates that by 2025 half of the global population will be facing water scarcity. There will be a discussion following the film on the solutions proposed in the documentary and what is being done about the world water crisis.

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A Call for Understanding: The Journey of Transgender Teens

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre - Sears River Room | 40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Friday, October 4 | 5:15pm
Sidebar Discussion | 6:45 pm
Film: *Changing the Game* (90 mins.) pg. 17

A sidebar discussion immediately following the screening of the film *Changing the Game*. Exchange advice and strategies among LGBTQ community members, professionals and families with the purpose to strengthen the sense of individual self-worth and increase communal understanding.

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Celebrating the Hungarian Community

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Friday, October 4 | 7:30 pm
Film: *Alla Zingara* (62 mins.) pg. 26

The Alla Zingara music documentary tells the story of music's groundbreaking and uplifting power to connect generations and cultures via the history of the world-famous and unique 100-Member Budapest Gypsy Symphony Orchestra and its extraordinary musicians.

Discussion with the Director, Glória Halász



and a reception with Hungarian food and music will follow the film.

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The Artistry of Docs

Valley Arts Center | 155 Bell St
Friday, October 4 | 6:00 PM
Films: *Yarrow: The Virtues of Monochrome*, *Moment to Moment*, *Noble Sissle's Syncopated Ragtime*

The Art of Documentary film is more than just a story. How are artistic components layered into filmmaking to communicate the subtleties? Meet the filmmakers behind the scenes that help bring the film to life.

Taking Care of Man's Best Friend: Natural Ways to Heal Your Pet

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Sunday, October 6, 1:15 PM
Film: *The Dog Doc* (101 mins.) pg. 22

Pet lovers are invited to this special film and discussion about groundbreaking treatments to heal pets. By holistically treating animals after other vets have given

up, the "Dog Doc" provides hope for pet owners with nothing left to lose.

Surviving Sexual Abuse:

Meet a Girl Named C

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Saturday, October 5 | 12:45 PM
Film: *A Girl Named C* (67 mins.) pg. 34

For the first time, "C" will be in attendance with her family to view this heart wrenching and important film with an audience. Don't miss this unique opportunity to experience a Q&A with the filmmakers and the brave subject of this film.

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Learning to Listen - Understanding Dementia

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Saturday, October 5 | 3:00 pm
Film: *Love is Listening: Dementia Without Loneliness* (56 mins.) pg. 24

Following this insightful documentary, join the filmmakers and local health care professionals to discuss ways of creating a true quality of life for those affected by dementia.

Panel includes: Executive Producer Michael Verde and Cleveland Clinic practitioners.

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A Brave Face: The Journey of Women in the Middle East

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
40 River Street, Chagrin Falls, OH
Saturday, October 5 | 5:15 pm

Film: *Learning to Skateboard in a Warzone (if you're a girl)* (40 mins.) pg. 26

Discussion with Barbara and Teeba Marlow of the book "A Brave Face" about their amazing personal story, and the impact of Middle Eastern culture on the lives of women.

Discussion moderated by Rick Jackson of Ideastream

Industry Networking: The Changing Face of Documentary Film

Chagrin Falls Township Hall
83. N. Main St.

Saturday, October 5 | 5:15 pm

Media personality Dawn Kendrick leads a discussion of how the world of documentary film is changing and the impact on the future. Dive deep into the past and future of documentary filmmaking

as filmmakers, industry professionals and distributors provide a first-hand glimpse into the ever-evolving world of docs.

A Woman's Work: Focus on Wage and Gender Equality

CFIS Theater
65 Philomethian St.

Sunday, October 6 | 2:30 PM

Film: *A Woman's Work: The NFL's Cheerleader Problem* (80 mins.) pg. 17

The film screens at 2:30 p.m. A free reception celebrating NCJW's 125th Anniversary Year at 2 p.m. will precede the screening. A discussion featuring an expert in female wage equality will follow the film. Football and feminism collide in this feature documentary that follows a group of former NFL cheerleaders battling their teams and the NFL to end 50 years of wage theft and illegal employment practices.

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2019 Awards

The Festival winning films and \$15,000 in prizes will be presented on Saturday, October 5 at 8:00 pm during the Festival Awards Ceremony at the Chagrin Valley Little Theatre. *The Awards Ceremony is free and open to the public (p.5).*

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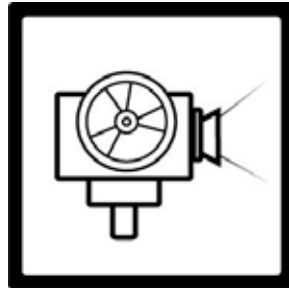
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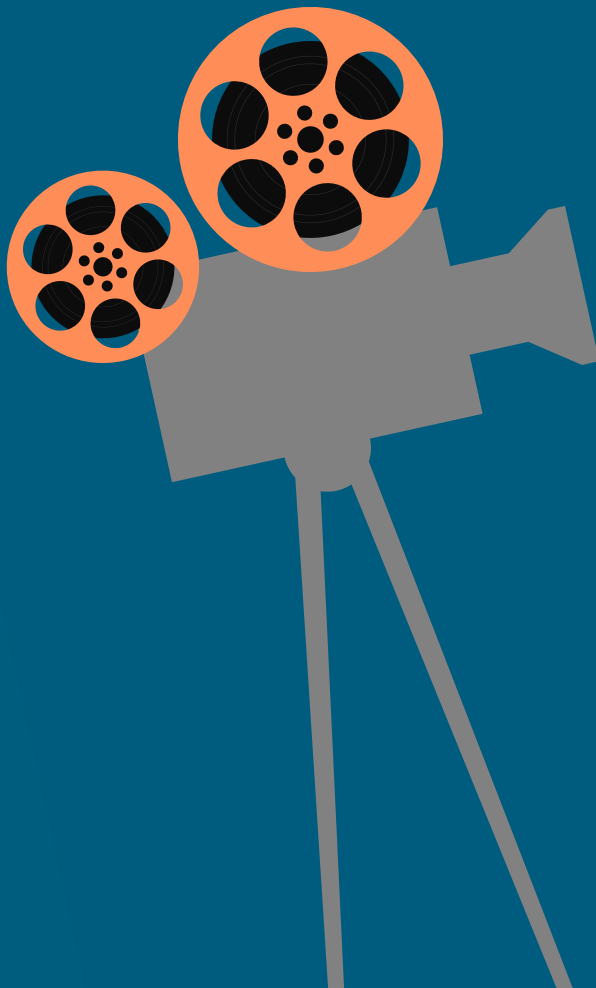
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