

Communities

Documentary Film Series

March 29-April 26

Stray Dog

Tues, March 29, 7:15 pm



Stray Dog follows an aging biker from southern Missouri. We're introduced to his life of drinking moonshine, gun-toting, and hanging out with his motorcycle allies. However, we're also introduced to another part of his life, which has been altered by his tours of duty in the Vietnam War. This film is a portrait of someone who not only loves being on the road, but loves helping others, including other vets, in need.

Directed by Debra Granik, 1 hr 38 min

Film will have a talkback afterward with:

Thomas Applebach, Director, Office of Veterans Affairs, Lehigh County

John Pettegrew, Associate Professor of History, Lehigh University

Evan Reibsome, Doctoral Candidate, Department of English, Lehigh University

Rich Hill

Tues, April 12, 7:15 pm



Rich Hill, Missouri could be any of the countless small towns that blanket America's heartland, but to teenagers Andrew, Harley and Appachey, it's home. As they ride their skateboards and go to football practice, they are like millions of other boys coming of age the world over. But faced with difficult circumstances - isolation, instability, and parental unemployment - adolescence can be a daily struggle just to survive. With no road map and all evidence to the contrary, they cling to the hope that even they can live the American dream. Winner of the 2014 Sundance Grand Jury Prize.

Directed by Andrew Droz Palermo and Tracy Droz Tragos, 1 hr 33 min

Film will have a talkback afterward with:

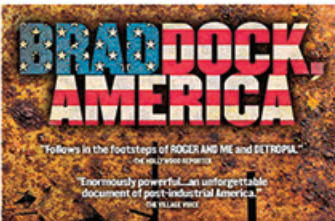
Kate Crassons, Associate Professor of English, Lehigh University

Katie Weeks, filmmaker, Temporary Shelter

Diane Elliot, Executive Director, New Bethany Ministries

Braddock, America

Tues, April 26, 7:15 pm



An enormously powerful portrait of the once-mighty steel town of Braddock, Pennsylvania, eviscerated by the closure of its factories, Gabriella Kessler and Jean-Loïc Portron's breathtaking documentary is both a finely detailed investigation into a specific community and a reflection on the fate of so many similar towns throughout the United States. It features archival footage of Braddock in its heyday, fly-on-the-wall observation of city council meetings, protest gatherings, police patrols, and other aspects of the town's daily life, and most importantly, expansive interviews with Braddock's residents.

Directed by Gabriella Kessler & Jean-Loïc Portron, 1 hr 40 min

Film will have a talkback afterward with:

Seth Moglen, Associate Professor of English, Lehigh University

Lester Clore, Retired Steelworker and Union Official; Board Member, Steelworkers Archives

Tom Sedor, Retired Steelworker; Board Member, Steelworkers Archives

Javier Toro, Program Director, Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley

Series host and moderator for all films Michael Kramp, Associate Professor of English, Lehigh University

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