

COMMUNITY CLASSROOM is an exciting resource for educators, providing contemporary documentary video content and accompanying curricular materials. Video content includes approximately 15 minutes excerpted from the diverse films seen on the Emmy Award-winning PBS series Independent Lens. Designed with key education standards in mind, **COMMUNITY CLASSROOM**'s innovative materials and video are available free on DVD-ROM and online at pbs.org/independentlens/classroom. To obtain **COMMUNITY CLASSROOM** materials on DVD, contact outreach@itvs.org.



HIP-HOP: Beyond Beats and Rhymes by Byron Hurt A groundbreaking documentary that examines representations of manhood, sexism, and homophobia in hip-hop culture. It is a "loving critique" of certain disturbing developments in rap music culture from the point of view of a fan who challenges the art form's representations of masculinity.

VIDEO MODULES :

- Masculinity
- Gender Violence
- Homophobia
- Media Literacy

CURRICULA ACTIVITIES:

- Points of View
- Manhood and Gender Identity
- Gender Violence
- Homophobia and Gay Rappers in Hip-Hop
- Media Literacy



SENTENCED HOME by Nicole Newnham and David Grabias Raised as Americans in inner-city projects near Seattle, three young Cambodian refugees each made a rash decision as a teenager that irrevocably shaped their destiny. Now facing deportation back to Cambodia years later, they find themselves caught between a tragic past and an uncertain future by a system that doesn't offer any second chances.

VIDEO MODULES:

- Facing Deportation and the History of Khmer Refugees
- Gangs and Choices
- Crime and Punishment
- Looking Back, Looking Ahead

CURRICULA ACTIVITIES:

- Facing Deportation: Two Cambodian Refugees
- Crime and Punishment: You Decide
- What Makes Someone an American?
- Understanding Immigration Issues



KNOCKING by Joel P. Engardio and Tom Shepard They are moral conservatives who stay out of politics, but they won a record number of court cases expanding freedom for everyone. They refuse blood transfusions on religious grounds, but they embrace the science behind bloodless surgery. **KNOCKING** reveals how Jehovah's Witnesses have shaped history beyond the doorstep.

VIDEO MODULES:

- Understanding the Religion and Politics of Jehovah's Witnesses
- The Role of Religion in Advancing Medical Treatment

CURRICULA ACTIVITIES:

- Civil Rights: The Activist History of Jehovah's Witnesses
- When Ideologies Collide: Medical Ethics and Religious Beliefs
 - Religious Tolerance in America
- Standing for What You Believe



VOTE DEMOCRACY! Featuring the acclaimed documentaries **PLEASE VOTE FOR ME**, **IRON LADIES OF LIBERIA**, **CHICAGO 10** and **AN UNREASONABLE MAN**. This special edition of **COMMUNITY CLASSROOM** will engage students in discussion about democracy abroad, elections, gender and politics, third parties, dissent and media literacy.

VIDEO MODULES:

- PLEASE VOTE FOR ME
- IRON LADIES OF LIBERIA
- CHICAGO 10
- AN UNREASONABLE MAN

CURRICULA ACTIVITIES:

- What is Democracy?
- Participating in a Campaign
- Democracy Around the World
- Women and Democracy
- Third Party Politics
- The Role of Dissent in Democracy
- Media Literacy

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