



CINEMA COLUMBUS

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Cinema Columbus Film Festival Announces 2023 Opening Night Film

Tickets to Hargrove Go on Sale Today

Presented by [CAPA](#), the [Cinema Columbus Film Festival](#) today announced its opening night film, the Midwest premiere of *Hargrove* from Los Angeles-based documentary filmmaker Eliane Henri, to screen Wednesday, April 26 at 7 pm at the Lincoln Theatre. *Hargrove* had its world premiere at the Tribeca Festival (June 2022), and has also played the Dallas International Film Festival, the Newport Film Festival, and the Black Girls Rock! Film Festival.

Filmed in the jazz clubs of New York, Los Angeles, Paris, and across Mediterranean Europe on his unexpectedly final tour, *Hargrove* shines a bright spotlight on the genius of Roy Hargrove and his enormous contribution to the art of jazz. Key conversations expand beyond Roy's personal story and explore the terrain of what it means to be an artist in America. *Hargrove* dives into multidimensional perspectives on Black music while offering a glimpse into the politics of power and race in the music industry. Told in vérité style, *Hargrove* interweaves themes of friendship, art, spirituality, and death with stellar live performances and intimate interviews. Music icons Erykah Badu, Herbie Hancock, Questlove, Sonny Rollins, Wynton Marsalis, and yasiin bey (Mos Def) reflect on Roy's indelible impact, giving him his place amongst the constellations.

Moviegoers are invited to attend a pre-screening performance at 6 pm with a roster of Columbus jazz all-stars featuring Derek DiCenzo (guitar), Cedric Easton (drums), Miles

Smith (trumpet), Bryan Olsheski (saxophone), Halle Craig (bass), and Tia Ward (violin). There will be a post-screening, live panel discussion with the film's producer and director Eliane Henri, Dr. Ted McDaniel (professor of African American music at The Ohio State University), and other special guests, led by moderator and composer/drummer/educator Dr. Mark Lomax, II.

Opening night of the 2023 Cinema Columbus Film Festival is presented through the generous support of Donna and Larry James, [Green Blanket](#), [Nationwide Children's Hospital](#), and [White Castle](#) with additional festival support from [Ohio Arts Council](#) and [Orange Barrel Media](#).

Tickets to *Hargrove* go on sale at 10 am on Monday, February 27. Pre-purchasing is recommended, but if inventory allows, tickets may also be purchased at the door. All tickets are \$15 and can be purchased in-person at the CBUSArts Ticket Center (39 E. State St.), online at www.CinemaColumbus.com, or by phone at (614) 469-0939.

The full schedule for the 2023 Cinema Columbus Film Festival will be announced in March. Visit www.CinemaColumbus.com to learn more.

About Director Eliane Henri

Writer/Director Eliane Henri began her career in Hollywood as a creative director in the music industry working for her mentor Quincy Jones in the '90s, and moving into PR & Special Events as a director at Harrison & Shriftman, a multi-national PR firm in the early aughts. In 2003, Henri founded her own event production company, Poplife Productions, where she produced events and experiences for cultural icons including Forest Whitaker, Naomi Campbell, Mos Def, Stevie Wonder, Jay-Z, Sean "P. Diddy" Combs, and Yoko Ono. In 2013, Henri segued into documentary production as an associate producer on the film *Feel Rich: Health is the New Wealth*, executive produced by her mentor Quincy Jones. In 2014, Henri produced the inaugural Getting Real Documentary Film Conference for the International Documentary Association (IDA). In 2016, she returned to produce both the 2nd biannual Getting Real

Conference as well as the 32nd Annual International Documentary Awards. *Hargrove* is her directorial debut, chronicling the last year of trumpet legend Roy Hargrove's life.

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About Cinema Columbus

Cinema Columbus celebrates the diverse people and stories brought to life by independent filmmakers, sparking curiosity, conversation, and understanding through independent film. Cinema Columbus works collaboratively with venues throughout central Ohio to establish an outstanding annual film festival bringing independent film from around the globe, and here at home, to our audiences. For more information, visit www.cinamacolumbus.com.

About CAPA

Owner/operator of downtown Columbus' magnificent historic theatres (Ohio Theatre, Palace Theatre, Southern Theatre) and manager of the Riffe Center Theatre Complex, Lincoln Theatre, Drexel Theatre, Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts (New Albany, OH), and the Shubert Theater (New Haven, CT), CAPA is a non-profit, award-winning presenter of national and international performing arts and entertainment. For more information, visit www.capa.com.

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