

JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER RECEIVES SECOND GRANT FOR SCIENCE ON SCREEN PROGRAMMING

\$7,250 awarded by Coolidge Corner Theatre and Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Pleasantville, NY – October 30, 2014 – The Jacob Burns Film Center (JBFC) was awarded a \$7,250 grant from the Coolidge Corner Theatre and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation to present *Science on Screen*, a program of feature narratives and documentaries about science and technology. The nationwide *Science on Screen* program explores connections between science and the humanities through viewing and discussion of entertaining, provocative films. This is the second time the JBFC has received this grant.

Three events will be presented through July, 2015. Each event will pair screenings with presentations and dialogue with scientists and technologists from a variety of fields. The JBFC was one of 23 nonprofit independent movie theaters across the United States to receive funding for this initiative, now in its ninth year.



The Coolidge Corner Theatre located in Brookline, Massachusetts, is an independently operated movie theater run by the not-for-profit Coolidge Corner Theatre Foundation. A beloved movie house and landmark, the Coolidge has been in operation since 1933.

The New York-based Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, founded in 1934, makes grants in science, technology, and economic performance. The foundation's commitment to enhance public understanding of science and technology, supports projects in print, radio, film, television, theater, and the internet. The Sloan Foundation encourages the next generation of filmmakers to depict themes of science and technology and to produce new scripts about scientists, engineers, and mathematicians.

The Jacob Burns Film Center is a nonprofit cultural arts organization dedicated to: presenting the best of independent, documentary, and world cinema; promoting 21st century literacy, and making film a vibrant part of the community. Located on a 47,500 sq. foot, three-building campus in the center of Pleasantville, the JBFC is just 30 miles outside of New York City. Since the opening in 2001, over 2 million people have seen over 5,400 films from more than 40-plus countries. The campus includes the 27,000 sq. foot Media Arts Lab, the JBFC's state-of-the-art education center, a creative and educational community for storytellers in the digital age, offering one-time workshops, intensive courses, and weekend programs for children and adults of all ages. To learn more about the Jacob Burns Film Center and Media Arts Lab, visit burnsfilmcenter.org.

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