

JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER

ONE COMMUNITY

MANY VOICES

STUDENTS • TEACHERS • FILMMAKERS

ENGAGED CITIZENS • LIFELONG LEARNERS

“We need to know more about each other. JBFC’s film programs are a powerful tool to help make this happen.”
—Anne Lloyd, JBFC Member & Donor

“The residency provided reliable studio space and a dedicated place for me to reflect on the reasons why I make films—the small revolution I want to create with every piece of content I edit.”
—Shelby Coley, JBFC Artist-in-Residence

“Through the JBFC’s Image Sound and Story curriculum, students learn the craft of visual storytelling as they develop the skills that are necessary to navigate rapidly changing and challenging needs of the 21st century. It also provides teachers with the opportunity to become participants, learning alongside their students.”
—Tara O’Gorman, Casimir Pulaski School Teacher, Yonkers

“An immigration story is especially important at this time. I wanted to create a film that not only preserved my father’s memories, but reimaged them in a new way, coming from his daughter. I would never have been able to make this film without the JBFC.”
—Maya Cueva, JBFC Creative Culture Fellow

“The JBFC has given me an understanding of what it means to live and work as a creator. I can enter the industry confident in my abilities as a filmmaker. It has also given me a community of like-minded filmmakers and collaborators who have become my friends.”
—Aisha Amin, JBFC Creative Culture Fellow

“I appreciate the diversity of cultures and viewpoints. I also love the films with spectacular scenery of countries I have not been able to visit and voices I have not been able to hear.”
—Betsy Deckert, JBFC Member

“We loved the Focus on Nature series. After the *Hope on the Hudson* program, my son asked me to reach out to Riverkeeper to see if we could become Community Scientists. Thank you for inspiring him!”
—Lindsey Marcus, JBFC Member

“Watching cinema on the big screen with others is an extraordinary, singular experience. Film inspires, engages, and connects people of all ages.”
—Bruni Burres, Westchester Jewish Film Festival Curator

“Thank you for my son’s scholarship to Lab Camp. It was an enormous success on every level. He learned skills that he’ll use his whole life, regardless of his chosen vocation. But for now, his passion is FILM.”
—Edward, Parent

“It was cool taking videos and pictures. And I loved being the Production Assistant. Image, Sound, and Story taught me how to add sound details to my writing.”
—David Hoilett, Casimir Pulaski School Sixth Grade Student, Yonkers

“Thank you for giving our students the opportunity to see *475: Breaking the Silence* and talk with the Moroccan filmmaker Hind Bensari. They came away from the experience with new perspectives and a deeper cultural understanding of the issues raised in the film and the circumstances of their own lives.”
—Jillian McRae, Ossining High School Teacher