

## Four Documentaries Awarded Winter 2017 Grants from The Rogovy Foundation

(New York, NY). The Rogovy Foundation is pleased to announce the Miller / Packan Documentary Film Fund Winter 2017 award winners. The Fund awards grants totaling \$150,000 to between six and ten film projects annually through its Summer and Winter open calls.

The Fund's four selections represent a cross section of interests that the Foundation supports. The award winners for this Winter period are:

**That's How We Roll** — The fading American dream of home ownership meets the changing American stereotype of "trailer-trash" mobile home parks. Set against the backdrop of the nation's growing affordable housing crisis, and the conglomeration of park ownership, the film explores the last frontier in housing. Director: Sara Terry.

**26.2 to Life - The San Quentin Prison Marathon** — A year in the life of San Quentin's 1000 Mile Club, a prison running group whose incarcerated members train for a 105 lap race around a dirt and concrete path that loops the prison's crowded lower yard. As the men prepare, they confront the challenges of aging, getting an education and maintaining family relationships behind bars. Director: Christine Yoo.

**Exposure** — A team of 12 women from the Western and Arab world make a bid to reach the North Pole. This daring and unprecedented team navigates ice fissures, polar bears, and -40 degree temperatures in an extraordinary story of resilience, survival and global citizenry. Director: Holly Morris. <a href="http://www.powderkeg-studios.com/">http://www.powderkeg-studios.com/</a>

**Against Goliath** — The inspiring, uplifting story of a co-ed public high school debate team who strive together, not only to win, but also to become better informed, committed and collaborative global citizens. Director: Lucia Small. <a href="https://www.smallangstfilms.com/against-goliath/">https://www.smallangstfilms.com/against-goliath/</a>

During the Winter open call, over 200 documentary film projects were submitted to the Miller / Packan Film Fund. "We continue to be impressed by the diversity of topics that find a voice within a feature-length documentary.," says Hugh Rogovy, Foundation Founder. "Documentaries continue to be a highly effective medium for informing the public," added Asher Rogovy, Foundation Vice-President, "They influence us both emotionally and intellectually."

Applications are now being accepted for the Summer 2018 open call, which ends May 15th.

Further details on the Miller / Packan Film Fund can be found at: <a href="mailto:rogovy.org">rogovy.org</a> General inquiries can be emailed to: info@rogovy.org

## About The Rogovy Foundation.

The Rogovy Foundation invests in inspired people and nonprofit organizations that are working to help build a more enlightened and harmonious planet. The Foundation sees documentary film as a potent medium which broadens our vision and changes our perspectives. We provide grants to filmmakers who open our eyes.

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