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Doc on Olympic gold medal boxer leads lineup of Michigan made movies

Flint's Claressa "T-Rex" Shields will conduct video Q&A with film audience

Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 17, 2015 – From the minds of Michigan filmmakers, ArtPrize OnScreen: Presented by Waterfront Film Festival offers audiences an impressive lineup of five movies from the Mitten State, out of 22 films screening Sept 25-27, 2015.

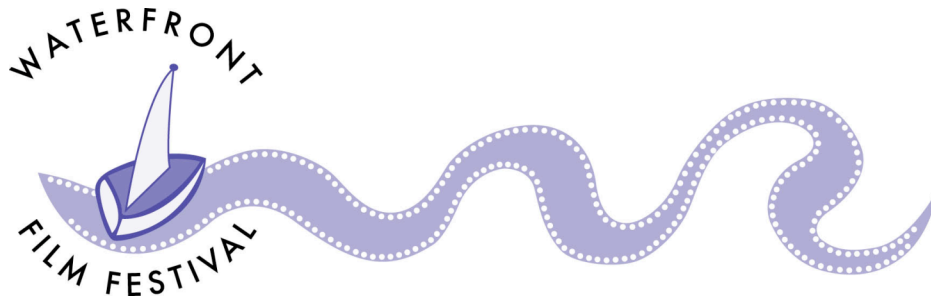
One of the documentaries at ArtPrize OnScreen, showing Friday Sept. 25, is "T-Rex", the story of 17-year-old boxer Claressa Shields, a Michigan native and Olympic Gold Medalist. The film is co-sponsored by the West Michigan Film Office, Zonta Club of Grand Rapids, and Michigan Film & Digital Media Office.

An additional educational screening of "T-Rex" has been set up for area high school students, where Shields will join the audience via Skype for a Q&A following the film, an educational effort by Waterfront, the film's co-sponsors, and in association with Mosaic

Festival passes, which offer early entry to films and access to VIP events, as well as individual film tickets, are on sale now at Waterfrontfilm.org.

Other films with Michigan connections are:

- "Exported from Michigan" documents the state's spirited recovery from deep economic recession, featuring prominent faces from the Grand Rapids business community.
- "20 Years Of Madness" is a made in Detroit documentary film featuring



- the protagonist of a long-running and bombastic public access TV series.
- “Moths” a short film made by Michigan native Andy Fortenbacher, details a young girl’s anticipation of her father’s return from war all while helping an unlikely accomplice to cultivate a rare breed of moths
 - “Bedbugs: A Musical Love Story” with lead actress/writer and Calvin College alum Shauna Johannesen hilariously details one woman’s really bad day...with bedbugs

ArtPrize OnScreen will be held during the first weekend of ArtPrize, Sept. 25-27, and offer 22 films at The Ladies Literary Club at 61 Sheldon Avenue SE immediately south of the ArtPrize HUB.

The full schedule with film trailers, event info, and tickets/passes can be found at WaterfrontFilm.org or on the new Waterfront Film 2015 mobile app available on Google Play and Apple App Store.

About WaterfrontFilm.Org

The non-profit Waterfront Film organization has been offering unique film experiences, education and opportunities for the past 17 years. Based in West Michigan, Waterfront Film organization founded and hosts one of the leading destination film festival in the Midwest, regularly hosting Midwest premieres of Academy Award-winning and nominated films. Recognized as a top five film festival by SAG Indie in the Screen Actors Guild magazine, WFF is a volunteer event committed to creating a “middle-coast” venue for independent filmmakers while further enhancing the cultural draw of West Michigan. For more information on Waterfront Film organization visit www.waterfrontfilm.org, “like” us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/WaterfrontFilm](https://www.facebook.com/WaterfrontFilm) and follow us on Twitter at [Twitter.com/WaterfrontFilm](https://twitter.com/WaterfrontFilm)