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8th Annual Gary International Black Film Festival October 12-14

Gary, IN – The **Gary International Black Film Festival**, Gary's original independent Black film festival which runs from October 12-14 at Indiana University Northwest, will include a lineup of independent films from across the U.S. and abroad.

GIBFF 2018 will kick off the festival with a lively pre fest Cinema and Cocktails Happy Hour at ArtHouse: A Social Kitchen. Opening Night features a Red Carpet reception on Friday at 6pm at IUN to welcome guests. The festival features a powerful lineup of narrative features, shorts, animated works and films by students and youth.

Tickets - \$25 Opening Night – includes Red Carpet Reception @6PM | Film @ 7:30PM

All other screenings: Adult -\$10 Senior and youth 16 + \$7

Full schedule available online September 15- gibff.org | FOR MORE INFO 219.200.4243
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Sponsorships:

The GIBFF is offering a limited number of sponsorship opportunities. The festival offers three days of exposure to thoughtful audiences who carry the experience of the festival into the greater community dialogue. Business Patrons can use this exposure for your company. Individual patrons can be recognized personally, or acknowledge a special charitable organization.

Collateral and marketing materials are high quality, high impact pieces that traditionally have a shelf life long past the festival. Collaterals will be strategically distributed at the festival (1400 attendees) and throughout Lake County to provide the greatest visibility possible. The festival also offers year-round exposure for donors at the \$5,000 & above level. Check out our [sponsorship packages](#) and contact us at garyblackfilmfest@gmail.com

Community Partnerships

Our greatest asset is our community.

As part of our work, The Gary International Black Film Festival provides the opportunity for groups and non-profit organizations to use the festival as a fundraising opportunity for their group by purchasing tickets at a reduced rate for resale at face value. We hope these community partnerships will help us all build a stronger, more vibrant community using the Gary International Black Film Festival as a catalyst for social change through the arts. Complete [this form](#) to become a Community Partner

About the GIBFF:

The Gary International Black Film Festival (GIBFF) is Gary's hometown cultural event that supports community building by bringing audiences and artists together through film. Now in its 6th year, this annual, 3-day event presents films from

independent filmmakers, panel discussions, matinee screenings for middle and high school youth and in-depth chats with filmmakers, industry professionals and local community leaders.

The GIBFF uses film as a catalyst for positive cultural activity to enhance the 'cultural capital' of our hometown of Gary, Indiana by celebrating black culture through independent film and discussion. It is our goal to bring films of the highest quality that reflect the depth and transcendence of black people. The festival is run by a committed core of community volunteers who work year round to curate films and raise money for the annual event.

The GIBFF is proud to once again work with collaborating partners the **Urban League of NWI** and **Indiana University Northwest**. We are excited to work with continuing partners, ArtHouse A Social Kitchen and BackStage on Broadway. Support for the 8th Annual GIBFF is made possible by The Legacy Foundation, Knight Foundation and a host of individual donors and sponsors.