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### *From Revolution to Solutions: Informed Cinema Conversation About Newark*

**Event hosted by The Newark Public Library, Sponsored by the New Jersey Council for the Humanities**

Newark, NJ – On Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30 PM, all are invited to gather at **The Newark Public Library at 5 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07102, Centennial Hall** for *From Revolution to Solutions: Informed Cinema Conversation About Newark*. Attendees will have the opportunity to view clips from three award-winning documentaries and to learn about and discuss the opportunities and challenges of urban environments. The event, sponsored by the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, is free and open to the public.

The three clips featured during the event – *Revolution '67*, *The Rule*, and *Rust*, by Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno, will allow a look at the past, present, and future of Newark and will examine Newark as a microcosm. *Revolution '67* explores the 1967 riots and rebellion, *The Rule* examines urban school reform using the model of St. Benedict's Prep, and *Rust* investigates solutions to inter-generational poverty including prisoner re-entry. Thoughtful and informed discussions will follow the screening of the three film clips. The event is a great opportunity for all to learn more history about the City of Newark and to discuss the past, current, and future state of the city.

The Bongornos, who reside in Newark, are Emmy-nominated, award-winning, filmmakers who create cutting-edge documentary, fiction, and museum installation art films that are widely distributed, including through national channels such as PBS.

#### **About the New Jersey Council for the Humanities**

The New Jersey Council for the Humanities is a nonprofit state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. NJCH harnesses the power of the humanities to strengthen our pluralistic society. NJCH envisions a New Jersey that delights in diversity, appreciates that there are no easy answers, and finds joy and understanding in the humanities. NJCH works statewide with cultural and community organizations to bring dynamic programming to the local level.

#### **About The Newark Public Library**

Since 1889, The Newark Public Library has been an anchor institution in Newark. It is New Jersey's most comprehensive public library, serving nearly 10,000 patrons per week and providing equal access for all to vast educational, cultural, literary, historical, and digital resources. Through its Main Library and seven branches, The Newark Public Library provides residents of Newark with reference help for job searches and accessing social services, ESL and computer classes, and family literacy programs. It also contains the New Jersey Hispanic Research and Information Center, the Charles F. Cummings New Jersey Information Center, and the James Brown African American Room. To learn how to become involved with The Newark Public Library, please visit our website [www.npl.org](http://www.npl.org); or call Spencer Scott, Chief Development Officer at 973-733-7735.

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