



## **2011 Film Series Submission Guidelines**

### **History**

The Madame Walker Theatre Center, located in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana is an internationally known National Historic Landmark. Named after America's first "self-made" female millionaire—Madam C.J. Walker—the site represents the achievements, art forms, culture and history of African-American people.

Madam Walker began the development of the Walker Building and Theatre prior to her death in 1919. The project was subsequently completed by her daughter, A'Lelia Walker, and [Walker Company attorney and manager, Freeman B. Ransom and] opened to the public December 26, 1927.

The Walker Building, located on the Indiana Avenue corridor, was the center of entertainment, business and pride for the city's African-American community from the 1920s to the 1950s. During the mid-50s, the building and its surrounding neighborhood began a gradual decline. The Theatre was also one of the only places in Indianapolis where African Americans could enjoy movies. Today, the Madame Walker Theatre Center is home to a variety of signature programs and unique events.

### **Film Series Overview**

Beginning in April 2011, The Madame Walker Theatre Center will again show movies – independent films. The purpose is to provide entertainment for Indianapolis residents as well as provide a platform for emerging filmmakers to have their work shown.

### **Series Dates**

- April 14, 2011
- May 26, 2011
- June 30, 2011
- July 21, 2011
- August 18, 2011
- September 15, 2011
- October 13, 2011
- November 17, 2011
- December 22, 2011

## **Film Submission Guidelines/Eligibility**

### **Acceptable Film Genres**

- Feature



- Short
- Documentary
- Narrative

### **Length**

- Not longer than 120 minutes
- Shorts, not longer than 30 minutes

### **Language**

- English
- No Subtitles

### **Format**

- DVD

### **Fees**

There are no submission fees, however **filmmakers will receive a \$1,500 fee** if their film is selected. **The Walker will charge a \$5/admission fee to the public.**

### **How to Submit a Film**

- Submissions must fully comply with the guidelines, including deadline(s) and material requirement.
- Fill out the enclosed submission form.
- Return with:
  - Two DVD copies of the film
  - Press Kit that includes movie trailer, written synopsis/overview of film, total run time, photo stills, headshots of key actors, director/producer and biographies and any awards and/or reviews.
  - Film release form

### **Deadline**

All submissions must be **received no later than January 31, 2011**. Submissions should be mailed to:

**Flix At The Walker**  
**Attn: Submissions**  
**617 Indiana Avenue**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46202**

Questions should be directed to Malina Jeffers via email at [mjeffers@walkertheatre.com](mailto:mjeffers@walkertheatre.com).



Films will be selected by February 28, 2011 and individuals will be notified via email. **Please note that The Walker will not reproduce, distribute or sell any submitted films/works and all received materials will be viewed and returned once selections and viewings are complete.**

### Submission Information

Date:	Contact Name (Last, First, Middle):	Email Address:	
Mailing Address:		City, State & Zip:	
Website Address:	Office Phone:	Fax:	Other Phone:
Film Information (Genre) – Select One	<input type="checkbox"/> Feature	<input type="checkbox"/> Short	<input type="checkbox"/> Documentary <input type="checkbox"/> Narrative
Year Completed	Director:	Length: <input type="checkbox"/> min <input type="checkbox"/> sec	
Producer:	Writer:	Cinematographer:	
Has this film won any awards?		If yes, please list:	

**Multiple Submissions:** You may submit more than one film for consideration. Please complete a separate form for each submission.

**Shipping:** All shipping/mailling costs are the responsibility of the sender. The Walker is not responsible for damage to submitted materials incurred in shipping.

#### FILM RELEASE

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Filmmaker or copyright holder) of the submitted film, who created and owns the copyright to the film entitled \_\_\_\_\_ agree that The Madame Walker Theatre Center, may view this work for screenings and discussion in consideration for selection for Flix At The Walker. I, the filmmaker, own the sole and legal copyright to said film and hereby agrees to have the work considered for viewing as part of Flix At The Walker. The filmmaker acknowledges that all rights and permissions for any materials contained within the film, including all music rights, footage and photographs have been granted to the filmmaker and the filmmaker holds harmless The Madame Walker Theatre Center from any and all disputes or claims that may arise from these rights and permissions granted. I understand that when I, the filmmaker, sign this form I am releasing the film to The Madame Walker Theatre Center to be viewed, screened and discussed as part of Flix At The Walker. I indemnify, release and hold harmless The Madame Walker Theatre Center, its employees and sponsors from any liability related to the use of my submission. I further understand that by submitting my film, I am granting Flix At The Walker to use the film's title, images and information in the promotion and marketing materials for Flix At The Walker and I also indemnify, release and hold harmless The Madame Walker Theatre Center of any responsibility and liability and for any and/or all damages or losses that may occur to my film.

*Please Note: Signing this form does not guarantee selection as one of the films for Flix At The Walker. Filmmaker will be notified after the selection process is complete.*

**Authorized Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

