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## 2016 NYC Mental Health Film Festival Leadership

Special thanks to Community Access' Advocacy team as well as the many mental health peers who spent countless hours screening dozens of films submitted by filmmakers from throughout the world.

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We also gratefully acknowledge our ambassadors who have worked diligently to rally community members to attend this important festival.

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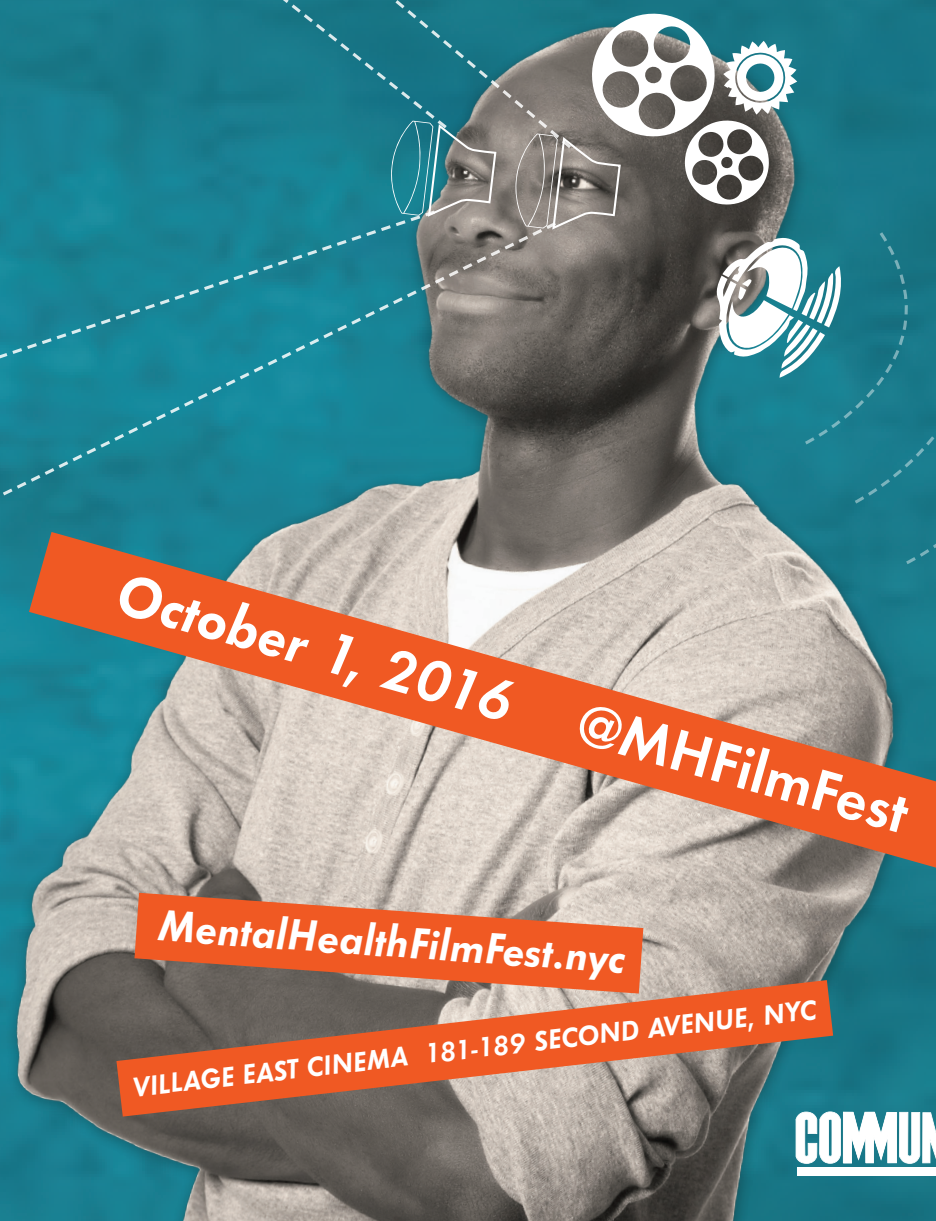
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## Welcome

We're thrilled that you're joining us for the NYC Mental Health Film Festival (#MHFF2016), the oldest and largest film festival of its kind in the United States. Over the past 12 years, the festival has screened more than 50 films, attracted over 5,000 audience members, and served as a positive voice promoting social justice and human rights for people with mental health concerns.

More than an inspiring day of films, #MHFF2016 is also an opportunity to connect with a community of people who care about having a positive dialogue about mental illness—fighting stigma and finding hope. Thank you for helping us enrich our community!

## About Community Access

Community Access expands opportunities for people living with mental health concerns to recover from trauma and discrimination through affordable housing, training, advocacy and healing-focused services. We are built upon the simple truth that people are experts in their own lives.

Each year, our programs help over 3,000 New Yorkers connect with housing, job training, education, and a range of mental health services. A finalist in the 2014 New York Community Trust Nonprofit Excellence Awards, Community Access also runs NYC's first crisis respite center, a cost-effective alternative to hospitals and emergency rooms. To learn more, visit [communityaccess.org](http://communityaccess.org).

## Get Social! #MHFF2016

We encourage you to use social media to share your thoughts about this year's festival and the movies you see today. To be a part of the conversation, use the hashtag #MHFF2016.

## Schedule

### Morning Shorts, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Welcoming Remarks - Carla Rabinowitz, Advocacy Coordinator, Community Access**

**Past Imperfect**

*(Live Action Short, 13 minutes. Directed by Robb Shaw-Velzen, Australia)*

**Mental Illness Can Happen to Anyone**

*(Animation Short, 3 minutes. Directed by Tracey McArthur, Australia)*

**The Importance of Consulting with Consumers**

*(Animation Short, 1 minute. Directed by Angela Davies, Australia)*

**The Love Effect**

*(Live Action Short, 30 minutes. Directed by Drue Metz, USA)*

**MIND/GAME: The Unquiet Journey of Chamique Holdsclaw** (Manhattan Premiere)

*(Documentary, 57 minutes. Directed by Rick Goldsmith, USA)*

**Q&A with Ari Blinder, Alexandra Davies, Rick Goldsmith, and Chamique Holdsclaw**

### Afternoon Features, 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Announcement of Young Filmmakers Competition Winner**

**Crack Up**

*(Documentary, 31 minutes. Directed by Amelia Paxman, Australia)*

**Why We're Vocal for Mental Health**

*(Live Action Short, 5 minutes. Directed by Becca Zod, USA)*

**La Clave**

*(Live Action Short, 16 minutes. Directed by Patricia Cordoso, USA)*

**#IAmHannah**

*(Documentary, 17 minutes. Directed by Marianne Maasai, Kenya)*

**Ezra Dowery: Life on Broadway**

*(Documentary, 8 minutes. Directed by Helen Redmond, USA)*

**Boxed In** (NYC/East Coast Premiere)

*(Live Action Short, 29 minutes. Directed by Tasha Smith, USA)*

**Q&A with Helen Redmond and Tasha Smith**

**VIP Reception with Cast & Filmmakers (for VIP Pass Holders Only)**  
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.