

# Montclair's Cinema505 Screens "Illuminations: Short Films of Discovery"

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Social justice filmmakers Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno and poet Jon Curley discuss with host Doug Doyle "Illuminations: Short Films of Discovery" being screened this week in Montclair, NJ



The screenshot shows the Montclair Film website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for 'About Us', 'Upcoming', 'Education', 'Support', 'Capital Campaign', and 'Past Festivals'. Below the navigation, the website header includes the address: 'Investors Bank Film & Media Center, 505 Bloomfield Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042, 973.783.6433'. The main content area features the event title 'Illuminations: Short Films of Discovery' in large white text on a blue background. Below the title, it states 'Thursday & Friday, August 9th & 10th, 7:30 pm'. To the right of the text are four small film stills with titles: 'ANGUISH', 'HEARING VOICES', 'GLASS WORKS', and 'MOTHERLAND'.

Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno's latest work "Illuminations: Short Films of Discovery" is being screened at Cinema505 in Montclair, NJ

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*Illuminations: Short Films of Discovery* is the latest work from Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno, the Emmy-nominated, award winning, husband and wife, social justice filmmakers from Newark. The Bongornos this week preview four of their short fiction films at Cinema505 in Montclair.

The four short fiction films *ANGUISH*, *HEARING VOICES*, *GLASS WORKS* and *MOTHERLAND* were all inspired by French poet Arthur Rimbaud's acclaimed *Illuminations*.



Social justice filmmakers Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno are also fans of WBGO

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The Bongiorno came into the WBGO studios, while poet and NJIT Senior University Lecturer Dr. Jonathan Curley joined host Doug Doyle via the phone.

The stories depict the fragile relationship between: actors struggling with love and ambition, the ghosts of General Giuseppe Garibaldi and inventor Antonio Meucci debating “Why do we fight?”, glass artisans grappling with trauma, and an adoptee and a Benedictine nun unraveling a dangerous past and present plans to return to Ghana.

The films feature actors who are alumni of NYU Tisch Grad Acting, Yale School of Drama, and The Juilliard School.

Cinema505 on Bloomfield Avenue in Montclair, NJ will screen the four short fiction films in sequence on Thursday, August 9th and Friday August 10th at 7:30 pm. Friday's screening will be followed by special commentary from poet and educator Jon Curley.

For more information, you can go to [montclairfilm.org/events/filmmakers-local-505/](http://montclairfilm.org/events/filmmakers-local-505/)

To hear more about the films and the actors involved, click above to hear the entire interview.

<http://www.wbgo.org/post/montclairs-cinema505-screens-illuminations-short-films-discovery#stream/0>