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SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY HOSTS A FILM SHOWING OF *AN UNREASONABLE MAN*

San Diego, CA...The San Diego Public Library will host a film showing of *An Unreasonable Man* by Henriette Mantel and Steve Skrovan on Sunday, November 18, 2007 at 2:00 PM in the 3rd floor auditorium. A public discussion will follow the film presentation. This event is FREE to the public.

An Unreasonable Man offers a tribute to the career of Ralph Nader, whose dogged consumer advocacy efforts have led to a legislative record unparalleled in the country's history. Seat belts, air bags, the Freedom of Information Act, and nuclear power safety measures (among many others) were all brought into being in large part through Nader's efforts to fight governmental and corporate interests for the betterment of the citizenry, a legacy that Henriette Mantel and Steve Skrovan's documentary elucidates with clarity and an appropriate measure of admiration.

The directors' no-frills, TV-ready approach results in a comprehensive recap of Nader's achievements, highlighted by his stunning, career-making battle against GM that climaxed with the auto manufacturer trying to catch him in a compromising position (as part of a smear campaign) by sending a woman to seduce him at a grocery store. Yet their unbiased stance nonetheless frays when addressing - briefly at the start, and then for a disproportionately long stretch toward the end - their subject's run for President in 2000 and 2004, the first of which continues to be blamed by many Democrats for Al Gore's defeat.

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Community Cinema is affiliated with the independent media organization ITVS or Independent Television Service. ITVS Community Cinema is a monthly screening series that pairs independently produced documentary films with leading organizations working to resolve related social issues in communities across the country. All film content featured in ITVS Community Cinema will broadcast nationally on the Emmy Award-winning PBS series Independent Lens. *Unreasonable Man* will air in October.

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library's Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's catalog online at www.sandiegolibrary.org

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