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THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY SCREENS *THE WAY WE GET BY* *Three Elderly People Battle Their Greatest Fears and Find a Reason to Live*

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library, in partnership with Media Arts Center San Diego and PBS’ Point-of-View (POV) Series, will host a preview film screening of Aron Gaudet’s *The Way We Get By* on Sunday, November 08 at 2:00 pm in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This free event is open to the public.

On call 24 hours a day for the past five years, a group of senior citizens has made history by greeting nearly 800,000 American troops at a tiny airport in Bangor, Maine. *The Way We Get By* is an intimate look at three of these greeters as they confront the universal losses that come with aging and rediscover their reason for living. Bill Knight, Jerry Mundy and Joan Gaudet find the strength to overcome their personal battles and transform their lives through service. This inspirational and surprising story shatters the stereotypes of today's senior citizens as the greeters redefine the meaning of community.

Since 1988, PBS’ “POV” series has brought the best of independent point-of-view documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America’s most innovative documentary filmmakers to build new communities in conversation about today’s most pressing social issues. *The Way We Get By* is scheduled to debut on national public television on November 11.

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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