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THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY SCREENS ‘*WHERE SOLDIERS COME FROM*’ TO COMMEMORATE VETERANS DAY

A Moving Portrayal of the Effects of War on the Nation's Young People

SAN DIEGO – The Student Veterans of America chapter at Thomas Jefferson Law School, the San Diego Public Library, and PBS’ Point-of-View (POV) Series, will host a special Veterans Day preview screening of the film *Where Soldiers Come From* on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. After the film, speakers from the SVA will lead a discussion exploring the themes in the film and the issues that confront returning soldiers. This free event is open to the public.

From a snowy, small town in northern Michigan to the mountains of Afghanistan, in *Where Soldiers Come From*, filmmaker Heather Courtney follows the four-year journey of childhood friends who join the National Guard after graduating from high school. As it chronicles the young men’s transformation from restless teenagers to soldiers looking for roadside bombs to 23-year-old combat veterans trying to start their lives again, the film offers an intimate look at the young Americans who fight our wars, the families and towns they come from — and the way one faraway conflict changes everything.

The Student Veterans of America, TJSL chapter provides military veterans at Thomas Jefferson Law School with the resources, support, and advocacy needed to succeed in higher education and following graduation. For more information, please visit www.studentveterans.org/jeffersonlaw/.

This event is a collaboration with the award-winning documentary series POV (www.pbs.org/pov). Since 1988, PBS’ “POV” series has brought the best of independent documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America’s most innovative

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documentary filmmakers to build new communities in conversation about today's most pressing social issues. *Where Soldiers Come From* will air tonight on national PBS except in San Diego.

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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