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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **Vermont Theatrical Premiere of Sundance Grand Jury Prize Winning Documentary Film Rich Hill in December**

Burlington, VT: (December 9, 2014) Main Street Landing, The Burlington Film Society (BFS), the Vermont International Film Foundation (VTIFF) are pleased to present an exclusive Vermont theatrical screening of the award winning American documentary film *Rich Hill*. The screening will take place on Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at The Main Street Landing Film House, 60 Lake Street in Burlington. This screening of *Rich Hill* is free for VTIFF Members, \$8 General Admission, \$5 for student. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/e/964427>.

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### **About the Film:**

Rich Hill

Directed by Andrew Droz Palermo and Tracy Droz Tragos

2014, 91 minutes, Documentary, USA, Sundance

*2014 Sundance Film Festival, Winner: Grand Jury Prize*

"We're not trash, we're good people," insists 14-year-old Andrew in "Rich Hill," an open-hearted portrait of impoverished American life named after the tiny Missouri town where directors Tracy Droz Tragos

and Andrew Droz Palermo went searching for teens who were both wholly individual and universally representative of the challenges kids face in such communities. The co-helpers settled on three subjects, embracing young Andrew's words as a sort of mantra, determined to penetrate the stereotype and reveal the lively personalities struggling beneath.

**Main Street Landing** is an environmentally and socially conscious redevelopment company in Burlington, Vermont that has created over 250,000 square feet of built environment on the Burlington Waterfront. The Film House, located at 60 Lake Street is used primarily for film screenings and presentations. It is equipped with a large screen that covers west facing windows, control room, Dolby surround sound, retractable screen, and smart podium and can fit up to 220 people. More information at [www.mainstreetlanding.com](http://www.mainstreetlanding.com).

**The Vermont International Film Foundation (VTIFF)** is a cultural non-profit organization whose mission is to enrich the community through film. VTIFF is a year-round organization that showcases community film screenings, hosts film series like the Global Roots Series, and supports Vermont filmmakers. The largest program of the Foundation is the annual Vermont International Film Festival. Vermont's longest running film festival, this year marks its 29th Anniversary. The festival is best known for featuring groundbreaking and independent films from around the world and Vermont and for the Vermont Filmmakers' Showcase™, the largest juried selection of Vermont-made films. The 2014 festival ran October 24<sup>th</sup> -November 2nd 2014, at Main Street Landing Performing Arts Center, and The BCA Center. More information at [www.vtiff.org](http://www.vtiff.org).

**The Burlington Film Society (BFS)** is a resource for local film events, meet-ups and an advocacy platform for cinema. The mission of the Film Society is to cultivate film culture in the greater Burlington area through the creation of an organizational mechanism for cineastes; by working with area theaters, arts presenters, granting organizations, educational institutions, and businesses to generate opportunities for theatrical screenings of films; and by increasing opportunity for engagement with and appreciation of cinema. For more information about The Burlington Film Society, visit [vtiff.org/bfs](http://vtiff.org/bfs).

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