

3 documentary films CHILDPOWER STORIES



Ladies First

Directed by: Uraaz Bahl, 2018

"Girls belong at home not on the sports field. Sports are only for boys. Girls should cook, look after their home and raise their children, that's their role."
Born amid poverty, cultural taboos and limited women's rights in the village of Ratu, India, Deepika Kumari rose to become the number 1 female archer in the world at age 18. She faced all odds to follow her dream in a land where girls don't come first and opened the door for those who follow her. 39 Min.

Special Guest: Hana Tabit, USA female Olympic recurve competitive Archer, 2015 Olympic Trials.

Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.



Children Full of Life

Directed by Noboru Kaetsu, 2003

Mr. Kanamori, a 4th grade teacher in a Kanazawa primary school northwest of Tokyo not only teaches how to be students but how to be happy and care for each other. Through lessons in teamwork, community, the importance of openness and how to cope, these students learn to live a happy life. An amazing, forward thinking teacher, Kanamori understands what teaching children really is all about. 48 Min. Narration in English and English sub-titles.

Special Guest: Chieko Ashidaka, born and educated in Japan, will discuss the teaching methods demonstrated in this film with Japanese education in general.

Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.



Mad Hot Ballroom

Directed by Marilyn Agrelo, 2005

Students from over 60 New York City elementary schools learn ballroom dancing and dream of winning in a city-wide competition. They learn more about each other than just steps and their teachers feel the same urge to win "that giant trophy"! Perseverance with rhythm makes this a delightful lesson on learning and teaching. 1hr & 45min.

Special Guests: Swansea's Arthur Murray Dance Center's young adult dancers will put a little fun in your life with ballroom dancing techniques.

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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