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WARRIOR BOYZ

Directed by Baljit Sangra
Produced by Cari Green & Selwyn Jacob



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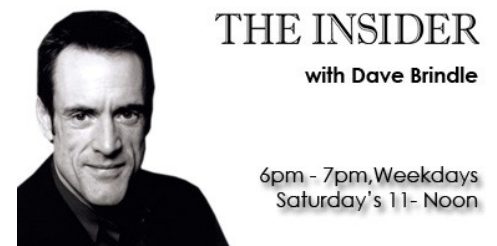
WARRIOR BOYZ PRESS COVERAGE



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THE VANCOUVER SUN



Print

- Canadian Press, Full article, Saturday May 31st
- The Province, Interview/Article with Ian Austin, Wednesday May 7th
- The Province, Article Glen Schaefer, Thursday May 29th.
- Westender, Capsule placement May 21st to May 27th
- WestEnder, Full Review, May 28th-June 3rd
- Georgia Straight, DOXA Review: Warrior Boyz May 22nd
- The Vancouver Courier, Full article, Business Section Midweek Edition May 28th
- MSN Movies Sympatico, Saturday May 31st
- The Link, Article and Picture May 14th
- Asian Pacific Post, Thursday May 15
- Voice Paper, Article May 10th 2008
- Asian Star, Full Article May 10th 2008
- TV Times, Print Article to run week of May 26th (Pushed due to broadcast restructuring)
- Surrey Now, Full article Tom Zillich, May 17th 2008
- Darpan Magazine, Full Article, July/August Ed. 2008

TV

- CityTV, Breakfast Television, 9:00am, Friday May 16th
- Shaw TV, Urban Rush, Thursday May 29th (Air time: 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm)
- CTV 6pm News, Feature Community Story, Thursday May 29th Baljit/Sukh
- Asian Pulse TV (Saturday May 17th)
- Chai Time, Channel M (Tuesday May 27)
- The Standard" on CHNU-OMNI Television (Monday May 26th)
- Punjabi News, Channel M (Tuesday May 27th)

RADIO

- CBC The Early Edition, Thursday May 29th
- CKNW Bill Good Show, Thursday May 29th 10:00-11:00am
- CBC Radio One BC Almanac Friday May 30th, 12:40pm
- The Insider 1410, with Dave Brindle Wednesday May 28th 6:30pm
- CFUN Sunday May interview with Randall Mark at 12:40pm May 18th
- 1410 Buzz of Vancouver (Jim Gordon Film Review) Friday May 30th
- Sher-e-Punjab Radio Station AM 1550: May 17th 12pm
- Red FM Wednesday May 28th
- 93.1 Red FM, Interview Wednesday May 28th, 8pm (Baljit/Sukh)

Miscellaneous/Online:

- Women in Film, Full Data base blast, 6000+ members.
- Radio Canada International, Special Feature (<http://www.rcinet.ca/rci/en/dossiers/44920.shtml>)
- CBC Asian Heritage (<http://www.cbc.ca/asianheritage/2008/05/>)
- MSN Movies Entertainment, Full Online article
- The Writerly Life, Full article/review <http://thewriterlylife.blogspot.com/2008/06/warrior-boyz.html>
- DOC Talks
- Facebook Page
- E-Campaign (Film schools, social groups, community centers etc.)
- Tickets Tonight Online
- Without a Box
- All DOXA Publicity
- Meri news (South Asian online newspaper):
<http://reviews.merineews.com/catFull.jsp?articleID=134876>
- vconline: LA Asian American film festival: www.vconline.org/festival/program.cfm?genre_id=4 - 88k
- South Asian free Press: www.safp.ca/National/14058.html - 27k
- Malaysian Tourism: www.malaysiantourism.ca/portal2/c1ee8c4419ea35210119edc4ee74001e
- UBC film program newsletter: www.film.ubc.ca/awards_current.shtml - 31k
- Canadian film Network: www.canadianfilm.net/2008/05/21/ - 71k
- Kelowna daily courier: www.kelownadailycourier.ca/stories_entertainment.php?id=113172 - 42k
- Review of film: johnflores.wordpress.com/2008/05/09/asian-american-short-films-pt-1/ - 14k
- Citizenshift – NFB: citizen.nfb.ca/tags/warrior-boyz?page=1 - 9k
- NFB Website: www.nfb.ca/warriorboyz
- <http://movies.sympatico.msn.ca/features/article.aspx?cp-documentid=509807>

news

WARRIOR BOYZ Directed by Baljit Sangra

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By Andrea Warner

The front pages of local papers have become little more than a running tally for the body count of gang violence. Baljit Sangra's new *Warrior Boyz*, hits uncomfortable Canadian

New film shoots holes in gang stereotypes

By Cheryl Rossi
Staff writer



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"she said. "They're just a
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that gang violence reflected a failure on the
part of South Asian families, and he's some-
what troubled by this assertion in *Warrior*
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which plays a by-popular-
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the 40-minute mark, but it feels
a crucial conversation that des-
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Sukh Rai, the vice-principal who
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boys like Vicky, the 18-year-old trying
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licky refuses to reveal the extent of his
volvement for fear of retaliation. That

5:00 pm | Vancity Theatre
Warrior Boyz
(Baljit Sangra, Canada)
WORLD PREMIERE
Director and special guests in
attendance

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doc-obsessed

Also hoping to spark a change in attitudes is *Warrior Boyz*, the debut documentary by local director Baljit Sangra. It delves into root causes of gang violence within the community

and very personal

CAMERAWORK: Disturbing memories revived on screen

Special event

DOXA Documentary Film Festival

Where: Tonight until Sunday

When: Granville 7, Van City Theatre, Pacific Cinéma-thèque

Tickets: Opening gala \$15, single tickets \$10, festival pass \$80 at ticketstonight.ca or 604-684-2787, Bibliophile Bookshop or Videomatica. Info and schedule at doxafestival.ca

The best documentaries turn a camera on that space where the personal meets the universal, and Vancouver's seventh annual DOXA Documentary film festival has once again found a myriad of those meetings from Canada and around the world.

Leading off a program of nearly 50 documentaries is tonight's gala screening (7 p.m., Granville 7) of *Triage: Dr. James Orbinski's Humanitarian Dilemma*. Orbinski is the Toronto doctor who accepted the 1999 Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of Médecins Sans



The Vancouver-made documentary *Warrior Boyz* examines culture among south Asians.

memories. Both Orbinski and Reed will be at the screening.

More disturbing memories are

fellow passengers. Arijon's documentary takes the survivors and their children back to the crash

tor Sangra and MP Ujjal Dosanjh at the premiere screening 5 p.m. Saturday at the VanCity. An extra

Once were warriors

The new documentary *Warrior Boyz* examines gang life of Indo-Canadian and South Asian teenagers.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2008

THE PROVINCE | PHOTO BY JASON PAYNE

B.C. gang film cautionary, but kinder

MAY 31 PREMIERE: It's scary, and

BY IAN AUSTIN

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Great Premiere!

Vancouver filmmaker Baljit Sangra had the premiere of her Indo-Canadian gang documentary *Warrior Boyz* at the Doxa Film Festival recently. Seen here with Sangra are Ranjit Sangra (left) a teacher at McNair Secondary-Richmond and Sukh Rai (right) Vice Principal at Frank Hurt Secondary in Surrey. They are both featured in the film.

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cess in school, or alienation.
"You want to stick out and fit in at the same time," said Sangra.
With three producers — Cari Green, Sangra, and Selwyn Jacob — the film has been a labour of love that Sangra hopes will give young people a realistic portrayal of the consequences of taking up a gang lifestyle.

"I think the film could be quite useful in high school, and even in elementary, in Grade 7, when kids start thinking about gangs," said Sangra. "I hope it gives a deeper analysis."
"I hope people walk away from the film with a sense of hope, empathy and compassion."

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REVIEWED THIS WEEK

SEE SHOWTIMES ON PAGE 39

★★★★★ Excellent ★★★★★ Very Good
★★★★★ Good ★★★★★ Fair ★★★★★ Poor

SEX AND THE CITY

Starring Sarah Jessica Parker, Kim Cattrall, Cynthia Nixon, Kristin Davis
Directed by Michael Patrick King
★★★★★

YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN

Starring Adam Sandler, John Turturro
Directed by Dennis Dugan
★★★★★

THE STRANGERS

Starring Scott Speedman, Liv Tyler
Directed by Bryan Bertino
★★★★★

THE YEAR MY PARENTS WENT ON VACATION

Starring Michel Joelsas, Germano Haiut
Directed by Cao Hamburger
★★★★★

SILENT LIGHT

Starring Elizabeth Fehr, Jacobo Klassens
Directed by Carlos Reygadas
★★★★★

WARRIOR BOYZ

Directed by Baljit Sangra
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Documentary On Indo-Canadian Gangs To Premiere At Doxa Next Saturday

VANCOUVER — Producer/director Baljit Sangra's documentary on Indo-Canadian gangs called *Warrior Boyz* will have its premiere at the Doxa documentary festival next Saturday, May 31 at the VanCity theatre in downtown Vancouver at 5 p.m.

The film depicts the lives of a number of Indo-Canadian young men who have become entangled in gangs. Jagdeep carries the reminders of his gang experience mapped across his body in the form of bullet wounds and machete scars. A steady pattern of escalation pulled him deeper into the criminal world, until, he says "I was gonna be



Baljit Sangra has directed the documentary 'Warrior Boyz'.



nected with everybody in the film. I care about them, and I'm concerned about their future."

Sangra says that behind the body count and the ripped from the headlines news stories, a far different battle is being waged. Educators and parents who want to see an end to gang violence are taking action. Sukh Rai, vice president at a major