

Social Messaging: End gerrymandering or #democracy dies. Learn how when #SlayTheDragon arrives on #DVD & #Digital on July 7 from @MagnoliaPics. Available now #OnDemand and for #DigitalRental. Watch here & #EndGerrymandering: <http://bit.ly/WatchSlaytheDragon>



JOIN THE FIGHT TO
SAVE AMERICAN DEMOCRACY WITH

SLAY THE DRAGON

The Documentary Variety Calls “The Most Important Political Film of the Year” is Available Now for Digital Rental and On Demand, and Arrives on DVD and Digital Download on July 7 From Magnolia Home Entertainment

“Proves that no matter how rigged the system is...it is possible to make changes.”
- Film Threat

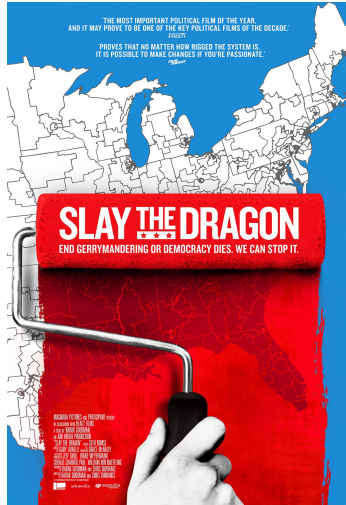
“Indignant.”
- The Hollywood Reporter

LOS ANGELES – From directors Barak Goodman (“Woodstock”) and Chris Durrance (“Gerald R. Ford: A Test of Character”) comes ***Slay the Dragon***, the extraordinary story of how one of the worst manipulations in American politics spurred today’s deep polarization, available on DVD and for Digital purchase on July 7 from Magnolia Home Entertainment. With equal parts outrage and optimism, the documentary shines a light on the dark practice of gerrymandering and follows the inspiring stories of ordinary citizens fighting to take back our democracy.

Centering on the work of Michigan activist Katie Fahey and the organization, “Voters Not Politicians,” ***Slay the Dragon*** shows how gerrymandering — the practice of redrawing electoral maps to serve a single party — poses such a great threat to our democracy. Although gerrymandering has been around for over a century, in today’s hyper-partisan political environment it has been taken to unprecedented extremes, fueled by the elimination of corporate campaign contribution limits and the availability of vast amounts of personal information. With 2021 a redistricting year that will define America’s political maps for the next decade, the story at the heart of the documentary is more important than ever and urges viewers to join the fight to save American democracy.

Slay the Dragon is a Magnolia and Participant presentation, in association with React Films, a film by Barak Goodman, an Ark Media Production. The film is executive produced by Jeff Skoll, Diane Weyermann, Coralie Charriol Paul, William von Mueffling, Barak Goodman and Chris Durrance. Grace McNally is co-producer. Co-executive producers are Daniel Simon and James Simon.

Slay the Dragon will be available on DVD for the suggested retail price of \$26.98, and available on Digital via Apple TV, Google Play, Prime Video, FandangoNOW and more on July 7.



Synopsis

Ten years ago, a secretive high-tech gerrymandering initiative was launched with only one mission in mind: undermine American democracy. Directed by Barak Goodman (“Woodstock”, “Oklahoma City”) and Chris Durrance (“Gerald R. Ford: A Test of Character”), *Slay the Dragon* follows the real-life stories of everyday people fighting on the front lines to make sure their vote matters. As the 2020 Census approaches, American democracy is once again defending itself against those who might aim to manipulate district boundaries in an effort to sway elections. Now more than ever before, activists are taking a stand, making their voices heard and giving power back to the American people.

DVD & Digital

Street Date: July 7, 2020

Run Time: 104 minutes

Rating: PG-13

SRP: \$26.98

Catalog: 11693

Special Features

- Filmmaker Commentary with Director Barak Goodman, Director Chris Durrance, Co-Producer Grace McNally, and Editor Seth Bomse

About Magnolia Home Entertainment

Part of the Wagner/Cuban Companies, Magnolia Home Entertainment is the home entertainment distribution arm of Magnolia Pictures, a leading theatrical independent film distributor for nearly 20 years. Recent releases from Magnolia Pictures include the Sundance Award-winning documentary *COLD CASE HAMMARSKJOLD*; *MIKE WALLACE IS HERE*, a timely documentary on the legendary “60 Minutes” newsmen; *TONI MORRISON: THE PIECES I AM*, celebrating the life and career of the trailblazing literary icon; 2018 Cannes Palme d'Or winner and OSCAR® nominated *SHOPLIFTERS*, from renowned Japanese director Hirokazu Kore-Eda; *SUPPORT THE GIRLS*, Andrew Bujalski’s critically lauded film starring New York Film Critics Circle Best Actress award winner Regina Hall; Box office sensation and OSCAR-nominated *RBG*, award-winning filmmakers Betsy West and Julie Cohen’s documentary about the consequential life and legal legacy of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg; Ruben Östlund’s 2017 Cannes Palme d'Or winner and OSCAR-nominated *THE SQUARE*; and Raoul Peck and James Baldwin’s OSCAR-nominated *I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO*. Upcoming releases include *RAISE HELL: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF MOLLY IVINS*, a

new documentary about the trailblazing Texas journalist that world-premiered at the Sundance Film Festival and won the Festival Favorites Audience Award at SXSW; *MISTER AMERICA*, a new comedy starring Tim Heidecker and Gregg Turkington; *SCANDALOUS*, the thrilling origin story of the National Enquirer; Cannes Best Actress prize-winning sci-fi feature *LITTLE JOE*; *CUNNINGHAM*, director Alla Kovgan's immersive documentary on visionary American choreographer Merce Cunningham; and Romanian crime thriller *THE WHISTLERS*, which world-premiered in competition at Cannes.

About Participant

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