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A CLASS APART, A NIGHT TOGETHER

On February 23, 2009, people around the country will gather to watch *A Class Apart* on PBS's "American Experience" (*check local listings*). In living rooms and auditoriums, in dorm rooms and cultural centers, they'll meet the group of Mexican American attorneys who changed history in 1954.

A Class Apart, the new documentary by celebrated filmmakers Carlos Sandoval and Peter Miller, is the first major film to bring to life the heroic post-World War II struggle of Mexican Americans against the Jim Crow-style discrimination targeted against them. Raising important questions about inclusion, American identity, and equality before the law that are as resonant today as ever, *A Class Apart* dramatically interweaves the story of its central characters - activists and lawyers, returning veterans and ordinary citizens, murderer and victim- within the broader history of Latinos in America during a time of extraordinary change.

HACU is encouraging its member institutions and chapters to host screenings of *A Class Apart* on the night of the broadcast and in post-broadcast events. HACU is working with the film's producers and with Active Voice, a nonprofit media strategy company, to develop these "A Class Apart, A Night Together" house parties and community screenings.

Take a tip from our new President and make this one of your first community action events of 2009! Visit www.CaminoBluff.com or email Ana@ActiveVoice.net to download an "A Class Apart, A Night Together" toolkit with words from the filmmakers, discussion questions, event planning tips, resource lists, action suggestions and more.

"A CLASS APART, A NIGHT TOGETHER" IS PRESENTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

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