

Norfolk Gallery to Present Paintings from Documentary in August Art Show

Prodigal Altar Boy Films is collaborating with One Eleven Art Gallery & Studios for a gallery showing of artwork from the film, "The Trouble with TQ."

NORFOLK, VA, USA, June 10, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Norfolk's <u>One</u> <u>Eleven Art Gallery</u> is collaborating with Prodigal Altar Boy Films to present paintings from the documentary film in gallery shows this August. Dates for the show are 8-10 August 2014 and will feature screenings of the film as well as discussion with the film's director, Calvin Thomas, Jr. The documentary, about controversial Tidewater priest Rev. Thomas J. Quinlan, known as "TQ", chronicles his lifelong mission to make the church more relevant to Catholics and Catholics more relevant to the world.

<u>"The Trouble with TQ</u>" premiered to a sell-out audience in May at Ghent's historic Naro Expanded Cinema, with crowds wrapping around the block on Colley Avenue. <u>Mal Vincent</u> described the documentary as a "...playful, clear-eyed look at a man who, after all is said and done, was totally serious."

"I set out to do more than just a film," says director Calvin Thomas, Jr., who grew up in Norfolk and attended the Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, where TQ was pastor when Thomas was a teen. "We licensed archival photographs from the Virginia-Pilot and commissioned artists to do paintings based on those pictures. Besides being a great storytelling device, I knew the paintings would make a great art show," Thomas added. In addition to the gallery show, One Eleven will screen the film in their spaces all three days.



"If you don't take care of the sick and you're not taking care of the poor and the telephone doesn't ring, then that means the parish should be closed."

The Trouble with TQ Encore

Besides the local buzz the film has created, "The Trouble with TQ" garnered international recognition for Thomas, with the Amsterdam International Film Festival awarding him a 2014 Van Gogh Award for Best First Time Director.

For further details and ticket information, contact One Eleven Art Gallery (757) 625-1110

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