

# "Tracks: Stumbling Stones Amsterdam"-- Director Maclovia Martel Award Recipient @ The Voices Rising Film Festival

NEW YORK, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, November 17, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Director of documentary film, "[Tracks: Stumbling Stones Amsterdam](#)," Maclovia Martel is Award Recipient at The [Voices Rising Film Festival](#). The heartfelt and beautifully shot short form documentary, is Directed by Maclovia Martel, and Produced by Michael Potter, and Margaret McCarthy of Free Radical Productions.

Associate Producer Carol Goldstein, while picking up the Award for Director, Maclovia Martel at the Voices Rising Film Festival explains: "Through interviews with the artist, the community and some local history, the stones tell a human story. The names on the stones are not of soldiers or war statistics - they were people you see everyday on the street neighbors, grandparents, mothers, fathers, children, and friends. who were murdered because of hate and intolerance due to their faith, sexual orientation or "otherness".



Voices Rising Film Festival - Carol Goldstein

Tracks explores the laying of "Stolpersteine" memorial stones honoring Holocaust victims, installed in front of the homes along the central canals in Amsterdam. A central theme of this film is the power and importance of remembrance. In the Jewish tradition, as long as a person is remembered they continue to live.

The central canal area of Amsterdam is recognized as one of the most beautiful neighborhoods in the world. Even in times of joy and celebration we are urged to momentarily acknowledge tragedy in both the past and the present. These stones serve to provide a small tear of sorrow next to the grand and historic architecture of the canals.

"Tracks," takes viewers on a journey to uncover the spirit and intention behind the Stolpersteine,

small brass memorial stones that commemorate the victims of the Holocaust. The film, explores the impact of the Stolpersteine on communities and families, and how they serve as a powerful reminder.

The Stolpersteine, which literally means "stumbling stones," are small brass plaques that are embedded in the ground in front of the former homes of victims. To date, over 100,000 Stolpersteine have been installed in more than 1,000 cities across Europe, making it the largest decentralized memorial in the world.

The filmmakers of "Tracks" have worked with Alexander Stukenberg, the key subject of the film and the [Stichting Stolpersteine](https://www.stichting-stolpersteine.nl) foundation in Amsterdam to create a YouTube channel available to all video and film content creators who have created stories related to stolpersteine memorial stones. This vision is an open platform for everyone to capture and share the amazing stories and impact behind each of these stones.



Voices Rising Film Festival

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jq7mPgy76lg>

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"Tracks" features interviews with historians, survivors, and descendants of victims, and those that selflessly carry out the creation and placement of these stones. This powerful documentary is a must-see for anyone looking to deepen their understanding of remembrance and the impact on individuals and communities.

Check out the trailer at the Dutch nonprofit organization "Stichting Stolpersteine"

<https://stichting-stolpersteine.nl/?lang=en>

We hope this film inspires others to adopt a canal or adopt a street to sponsor the installation of stolpersteine memorial stones.

Voices Rising Film Festival

The Festival values filmmakers work in creating awareness for subjects deserving attention

alongside collaborations with National Organizations.  
<https://filmfreeway.com/VoicesRisingFestival>

#### Awards & Accolades

Honored for "Tracks" to win Best, International Documentary, as well as the Craghoppers Special Recognition & Prize @ the London Discovery Film Festival

New York City Independent Film Fest - Best Documentary Short

Brussels World Film Festival - Best Documentary Short

Toronto Documentary Feature & Short Film Festival - Best Cinematography

London - BELIEF - Be Epic Film Festival - Winner

The Voices Rising Film Festival - New York - Winner

Florida Premier & Official Selection at the 27th annual Miami Jewish Film Festival, January 11-25, 2024.

Life Fest Film Festival 2023 Official Selection December 31st

London - Nominated for the prestigious Craghoppers Documentary Prize at the London Discover Film Awards

The Voices Rising Film Festival - New York - Official Selection

London - The Discover Film Awards - Official Selection

London - BELIEF - Be Epic Film Festival - Official Selection

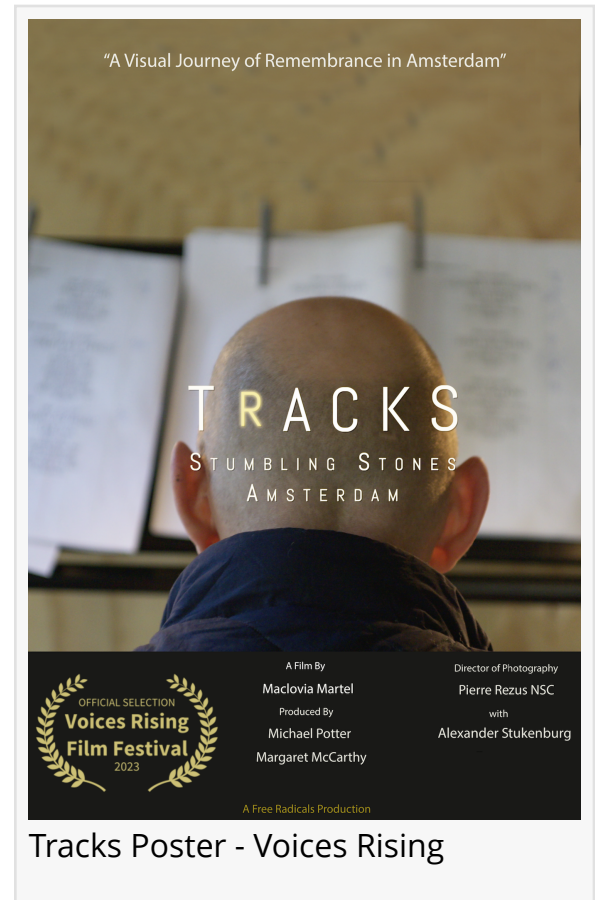
32nd Annual Woods Hole Film Festival - Official Selection

New York City Independent Film Festival - Official Selection

Brooklyn Film Festival - Official Selection

23rd Beverly Hills Film Festival - Official Selection

Cannes Film Awards - Cannes, France - Official Selection



Tracks Poster - Voices Rising

Vancouver Jewish Film Festival - Official Selection

Austin Jewish Film Festival Series - Austin, Texas - Official Selection

Brussels World Film Festival - Official Selection

Toronto Documentary Feature & Short Film Festival - Official Selection

ARFF International Film Festival in Amsterdam - Official Selection

Florida Premier & Official Selection at the 27th annual Miami Jewish Film Festival, January 11-25, 2024.

<https://miamijewishfilmfestival.org/>

October 7 - The Voices Rising Film Festival - New York

<https://www.plazamac.org/voicesrisingfilmfest>

28th September – 1st October - The Discover Film Awards

( Nominated for the prestigious Craghoppers Documentary Prize at the London Discover Film Awards)

<https://discover.film/short-film-festival/>

<https://www.craghoppers.com/filmprize/discover/>

August 24-27 BELIEF - Be Epic Film Festival, London

<https://www.beliff.co.uk/>

July 29th-August 5th 32nd Annual Woods Hole Film Festival

<https://woodsholefilmfestival.org/>

June 10 - New York City Independent Film Festival

<https://nycindieff.com/films/tracks/>

June 4 - Brooklyn Film Festival

<https://mubi.com/films/tracks-stumbling-stones-amsterdam>

April 22 - 23rd Beverly Hills Film Festival

<https://beverlyhillsfilmfestival.com/2023-official-selection-sat/#block6>

April 29th - Cannes Film Awards - Cannes, France

<https://cannesfilmawards.com/official-selection/2023>

April 27th - Vancouver Jewish Film Festival

<https://www.vjff.org/interview-with-michael-potter/>

April 20th - Austin Jewish Film Festival Series - Austin, Texas -

<https://austinjff.org/events/tracksstumblingstonesamsterdam/>

March 30th - Brussels World Film Festival

<https://brusselsfestival.org/winners-february-2023/>

January 24th - Toronto Documentary Feature & Short Film Festival

<https://documentaryshortfilmfestival.com/2023/01/24/highlights-january-2023-toronto-documentary-festival/>

January 5th ARFF International Film Festival in Amsterdam

<https://filmmakers.festhome.com/festival/arff-amsterdam-international-awards>

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