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Claudine

Diahann Carroll and James Earl Jones



Diahann Carroll stars as *Claudine* in the 1975 film by director, John Berry. She struggles to provide for her six children, working as a maid in Harlem and relying on welfare to scrape by. Into her life comes James Earl Jones and a complicated romance ensues. Diahann Carroll received her only Best Actress Oscar nomination for this remarkable performance.

Claudine was one of the few non-Blaxploitation mainstream films to feature African-American actors in the mid-seventies. It provides an fascinating vehicle to explore the themes of poverty and welfare in America.

A discussion about the impact of poverty on vulnerable populations, especially relating to women in contemporary society, will follow the screening.

Community panelists will include: **Dr. Erin Kenny**, Anthropologist and Director of Women's Studies at Drury University; **Danica Wilson**, Springfield Native and Community Activist; **Sandra Hart**- Public Educator; and **Christy Hyman**, Historian.

MSU Film Series

Plaster Student Union Theatre — Rm. 200

1110 E Madison St, Springfield, MO 65897

Film Screening: Saturday, March 22, 2014 7-9:30 p.m.

Free & Open to the Public

* Event sponsored in part by MSU's African American Studies Program.

MSU Parking Info:

Free parking is available in Lot 24 (access off National Ave. one block south of Grand St.) or in the Park and Ride facility next to Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts. NOTE: You may take the Park & Ride bus to reach Plaster Student Union.

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