



NONHUMAN RIGHTS PROJECT

Sample Introduction for Screening *Unlocking the Cage*

1. Introduce yourself, your organization.
2. Thank the venue, any sponsors, and recognize any VIPs in attendance.
3. Present the event's schedule:
 - e.g., 1) Watch the film;
 - 2) Panel Discussion;
 - 3) Q&A afterwards;
 - 4) Refreshments & Petition Signing
4. Sample introduction for *Unlocking the Cage*

Unlocking the Cage first premiered in 2016 at the Sundance Film Festival and has been shown at dozens of international and national film festivals to high acclaim. Since its premiere on HBO in February, organizations like ours have been hosting public screenings across the country with the help of The Nonhuman Rights Project — the group leading the fight to secure legal rights for nonhuman animals.

The film was directed by two award-winning documentarians — Chris Hegedus and D. A. Pennebaker, best known for their film *Don't Look Back*, with Bob Dylan, and *The War Room*, which followed Bill Clinton on his first presidential campaign. *Unlocking the Cage* is similar to their other films, in that it follows an exceptionally talented and passionate person” who has dedicated his life to a “particular pursuit.”

As Chris Hegedus writes in her Director's Statement:

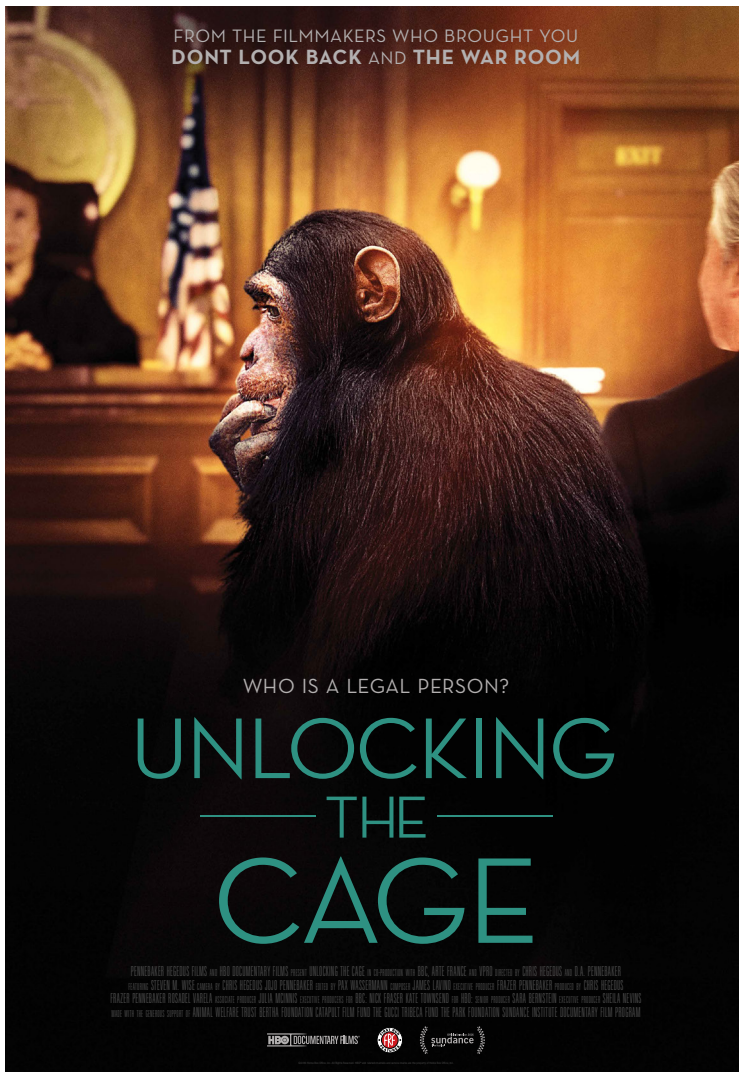
“For the past three years, we have watched Steve [Wise] as he pursues his lifelong dream of giving animals legal rights. We've seen the countless hurdles he's faced, such as losing his first two chimpanzee plaintiffs, and have been there with him for moments that have moved us in ways we had not anticipated, like when Kanzi the bonobo spoke to us though his lexicon board.”

When we watched the film, we knew it was a topic that would not only be of interest to our community but also a catalyst for action. We, too, were moved in ways we hadn't expected, and hope *Unlocking the Cage* will move you too.

As Jon Stewart of The Daily Show said, the film "made [him] proud to be a primate." We think it will make you proud to be a primate too.

Join Us for a Movie!

“THOUGHTFUL, COMPELLING & HEROIC!
Made me proud to be a primate.”
~ Jon Stewart



We are proud to announce a free public screening of the highly-acclaimed documentary, *Unlocking the Cage*, directed by Academy Award nominated directors Chris Hegedus and D A Pennebaker, best known for their films *Don't Look Back* and *The War Room*.

When:

Where:

Sponsored by:

Program Information:

