

Black History Month: Documentary film screenings

This is an in-person event

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In celebration of Black History Month, join us for a screening of three recent National Film Board documentaries: *Zab Maboungou*, *Ice Breakers*, and *King's Court*.

King's Court (Serville Poblete, 2025, 20 minutes)

A fast-paced look at friendship, family and the journey to manhood in modern society, *King's Court* blurs the line between documentary and fiction, immersing viewers in the raw emotions and struggles of two lifelong friends in Toronto's Bleecker Street neighbourhood — one of Canada's most diverse and densely populated areas. Through engaging, cinematic storytelling both on and off their favourite basketball court, we root for these inspiring young men in pursuit of identity and acceptance.

Ice Breakers (Sandamini Rankaduwa, 2019, 15 minutes)

Josh Crooks is a young, gifted African-Canadian hockey player in an overwhelmingly white sport. In its intimate story of transgenerational identity, *Ice Breakers* reveals the buried history of how Black athletes helped pioneer modern hockey, as Crooks discovers that his passion is tied to a remarkable heritage.

Zab Maboungou (Carmine Pierre-Dufour, 2021, 4 minutes)

This portrait of choreographer Zab Maboungou provides insight into the meticulous training and physical strength behind one of her pivotal works: Mozongi.

Registration is recommended, but drop-ins may be allowed if space permits.

Questions? Email info@nvcl.ca or call 604-998-3450.

