

Tre Maison Dasan

A Story of Boyhood Marked by the Criminal Justice System

INVITATION SAMPLE TEXT

Please join us for an exclusive screening of multi award-winning film, *Tre Maison Dasan*, as seen on PBS' Independent Lens.

Tre Maison Dasan, is a film about three boys - Tre, Maison, and Dasan themselves - who all share the experience of having a parent in prison. Filmed over three years, in close collaboration with the boys, this intimate documentary takes on the kids' own point of view, and through their eyes we can see the complex emotional and social landscape surrounding parental incarceration in a way never before shown.

DATE / TIME

LOCATION

OTHER INFO (Panel discussions, Q&As, refreshments)

Running time:

(feature version) 94 minutes

(broadcast version) 86 minutes

One out of every fourteen children in the U.S. has a parent who is currently or has previously been incarcerated. In other words, a staggering 7% of our nation's youth— an estimated 5 million children—have experienced the incarceration of a parent at one point in their lives.

Tre, Maison and Dasan are three very different boys. Tre is a spirited 13 year old who hides his emotions behind a mask of tough talk and hard edges. Maison is a bright eyed 11 year old with an encyclopedic mind and deep love for those around him. Dasan is a sensitive 6 year old with an incredible capacity for empathy and curiosity. Their parents are not incarcerated for the low-level offenses that have become infamous in conversations around mass-incarceration, but their histories and relationships beg many questions about justice and the lasting and rippling effects of a system at large.

"Engrossing... wrenchingly intimate."

– *Variety*

"Gripping... This picture opens our eyes to a social disruption that has been underexposed and that we ignore at our peril."

– *The Hollywood Reporter*

"I feel like you were telling my life. The film was perfect."

– *San Quentin News*

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<http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/films/tre-maison-dasan/>

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