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WGVU presents Independent Cinema at the UICA Series Continues on January 6 with *Tulia, Texas*

(Grand Rapids, MI, December 29, 2008) On Tuesday, January 6 at 7 p.m., WGVU continues the Independent Cinema series at the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts with the film *Tulia, Texas*. A discussion will follow with local panelists, including James Houston and Patrick Gerkin with Grand Valley State University's Criminal Justice program and former defense attorney Tonya Krause-Phelan from Cooley Law School.

A lone undercover cop moves into a small farming town. By the end of the blazing summer of 1999, 46 people are arrested for selling cocaine – nearly all of them African American. It was heralded as one of the biggest drug busts in Texas history, until a team of lawyers set out to uncover the truth. This is the story of a small town's search for justice and the price Americans pay for the nation's war on drugs.

This screening event is part of the ITVS Community Cinema program. The film will also air on Tuesday, February 10 at 10 p.m. on WGVU TV & WGVU HD as part of the PBS series *Independent Lens*.

Free screenings of *Independent Lens* films are held the first Tuesday of every month. For more on the Independent Cinema series, including upcoming dates and films, visit wgvu.org/cinema or myspace.com/independentcinemagr.

WGVU's continued mission is to provide educational, informative, and entertaining programs and events to the West Michigan community as a service of Grand Valley State University.

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