

The American History Teachers' Collaborative presents...



An American History Teachers'
Collaborative film series featuring
Chuck Koplinski
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Sight Unseen - 9/11 and the Iraqi War in American Movies

Thursday, October 15, 2009 • 6:00—9:00 pm • Urbana Middle School

This is a free workshop. There is no registration fee. All teachers will receive dinner and CPDUs, and Urbana teachers may request Board Credit. There are no stipends available for this workshop.



Without question, the terrorist attacks of 9/11 left an indelible scar on the American psyche and it stands to reason that this issue would be dealt with in the nation's art. However, the reception by the American public towards films dealing with the attacks and the ensuing Iraqi War has been one of indifference and even disdain. The first part of this two-part seminar will examine films that have dealt with the issue head-on and the reception, or lack of response that greeted these films. Among the films

to be discussed will include, *United 93*, *World Trade Center*, *Lions for Lambs*, *In the Valley of Elah*, *Stop-Loss*, *Reign over Me*, *Redacted* and *The Hurt Locker*.

To register, please email your name, school, and grade level to Kim Lareau at register@usd116.org by September 24, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact Katherine Barbour at kbarbour@usd116.org or Alexis Jones at ajones@usd116.org.

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