

From a Silk Cocoon

at the NY International Independent Film and Video Festival
Village East Cinemas (181 2nd Ave.), **Sunday, November 13, 2:45pm***
(Co-Presented by the New York Chapter Japanese American Citizens League, the
Asian/Pacific/American Institute at NYU, and the Buddhist Church of New York)

*"... offers a cautionary tale of homeland security. . . . compelling . . .
From a Silk Cocoon stretches beyond the basic facts
of the Japanese-American internment experience
into the dark and thorny corners of a perceived 'military necessity'
that is just as frightening and relevant now as it was when it happened."*
Mark Halverson, Sacramento News & Review

Labeled as "disloyal" and deemed "enemy aliens dangerous to the public peace and safety of the United States," a young Japanese American couple, held in separate American prison camps during World War II, struggles to prove their innocence and fight deportation. With the discovery of their actual letters, diaries, and haiku poetry, their story tells of the frightening and tragic outcome resulting from wartime hysteria and racial profiling. A story of love and survival, Shizuko and Itaru Ina, renounce their American citizenship in protest and then must face the reality of raising their children in war-torn Japan.

Produced by the Emmy-nominated Hesono O Production team of Satsuki Ina, Stephen Holsapple, Emery Clay III, and Kim Ina. Partial funding for *From a Silk Cocoon* was provided by the California Civil Liberties Public Education Program (CCLPEP). For more information on the production, visit www.fromasilkcocoon.com.



Tickets (\$11*) are available through the following outlets:

Ticket Web: (866) 468-7619

Online: www.nyfilmvideo.com

* Admission includes the screening of the documentary *AMUMA, Hands for nobody* at 2pm. *From a Silk Cocoon* will screen immediately following at approximately 2:45pm. Complete screening schedule can be found at www.nyfilmvideo.com.

Discussion and Q&A with filmmakers will be held at Sharaku Japanese Restaurant, 14 Stuyvesant St. (near 9th St. and 3rd Ave.) immediately following the screening (4pm). Light appetizers and tea will be served.

"... the issues of renunciation and loyalty resonate deeply with the current concerns over war and patriotism . . . a very important film . . ."

Taro Goto, Assistant Director, San Francisco International Asian American Film Festival

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