

imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival e-bulletin

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**imagineNATIVE co-presents *Club Native* at the 15<sup>th</sup> Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival**

**Join us for the WORLD PREMIERE of  
imagineNATIVE award-winning director Tracey Deer's  
new film  
CLUB NATIVE**

Friday April 18, 6:30pm  
Bloor Cinema

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Sunday April 20, 2:15pm  
Royal Ontario Museum

**Tracey won Best Documentary for her feature, MOHAWK GIRLS at imagineNATIVE in 2005. Her new film is a brave look at the lives of four inspiring and eloquent women (including Waneek Horn-Miller) whose lives are forever changed when they fall in love with the wrong guys and "marry out" of their Mohawk Nation.**

**CLUB NATIVE**, Canada, 78 min. Falling in love with the wrong person can have devastating repercussions for Mohawks on the Kahnawake reserve in Quebec. Award-winning director Tracey Deer takes a courageous look at her home community, raising questions of identity, history and tradition through the lives of four inspiring Mohawk women. With warmth, depth and humour, stories unfold about the heartbreaking costs of "marrying out" of their Mohawk Nation, the challenges faced by kids of mixed backgrounds, and the conflict between love and preserving the fabric of their community. Having children with the men they love can mean forfeiting their offspring's legal native status, including the right to live with their families on the reserve. The film doesn't flinch from the history of Canada's racist and sexist government policy, including the brutal force used against them during the Oka Crisis in 1990. A groundbreaking film and a powerful story of the triumph of love and the human spirit.