



FREE COMMUNITY SCREENING EVENT

# LIONESS

BY MEG MCLAGAN AND DARIA SOMMERS

HOW DID FIVE FEMALE ARMY SOLDIERS END UP FIGHTING ALONGSIDE THE MARINES IN SOME OF THE BLOODIEST BATTLES OF THE IRAQ WAR?

They went to Iraq as cooks, clerks and mechanics and returned a year later as part of America's first generation of female combat veterans. In *LIONESS*, Directors Meg McLagan and Daria Sommers give an intimate look at war through the eyes of women and the U.S. military policy that bans them from combat. An *INDEPENDENT LENS* acquisition.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2PM  
Chicago Cultural Center  
78 E. Washington St.  
Claudia Cassidy Theatre, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Guest Speakers:

Katherine Dong, Women Veterans Program Manager, North Chicago VA Medical Center  
Dr. Constance Edwards, Vice President, National Women Veterans United  
Melissa Holas, VA Medical Center Advocate for Women Veterans

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