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ROOFTOP FILMS SUMMER SERIES 2006

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2005: DOWNTOWN LOCALS

Venue: On the lawn at Automotive High School (Williamsburg, Brooklyn)

Directions: 50 Bedford Avenue | L to Bedford or G to Nassau

Rain: In the event of rain, the show is held indoors at the same location.

8:30PM: Live music by **subway musicians from the film** | **9PM:** Films

Tickets: \$8 available at the door or online at www.rooftopfilms.com/tickets.html

Watch a preview: <http://www.myspace.com/downtownlocals>



Downtown Locals

Downtown Locals is a funny yet poignant glimpse underground, into the lives of six disparate New York City subway buskers—including the Mercury Man, a struggling actor who stands motionless for hours at a time; Julio, a Colombian immigrant who dances with a life-sized doll attached to his shoes; and Helen, a Vassar graduate in her forties who reinvents herself as an accordion-playing chanteuse.

Each weathers a rollercoaster year of personal successes and defeats, remaining true to their art and steadfastly defendant of their right to perform, despite struggles with the police, city bureaucracy, money, complex pasts, addiction, and loneliness.

Downtown Locals illustrates brilliantly the microcosm of the true underground by drawing us into the lives of a few of New York City's less celebrated characters.

Their stories will leave you hopeful, haunted, and wondering where they are now.

- PREVIEW TAPES / DVDs & HIGH RESOLUTION STILLs AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
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