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**DISCOVERY FILMS JUMPS INTO THE TRIBECA FILM FESTIVAL WITH  
DOUBLETIME**

*--New York Filmmaker Stephanie Johnes Makes Her Tribeca Debut--*

Silver Spring, Md.—Discovery Films, the theatrical documentary unit of Discovery Communications, presents the premiere of the feature-length film **DOUBLETIME** at the Tribeca Film Festival on Saturday, April 28 at 2pm (full screening details below). For the first time, **DOUBLETIME** takes us inside the world of competitive jump roping through the passion, determination and personal stories of two of the nation's top teams.

**DOUBLETIME** follows the exhilarating, and sometimes exhausting, efforts of two renowned competitive jump teams --The Bouncing Bulldogs of Chapel Hill, NC and The Double Dutch Forces from Columbia, SC. While these squads come from very different backgrounds, they share a passion for excellence, and both have set their sights on winning the international Holiday Classic tournament held at Harlem's legendary Apollo Theater.

"**DOUBLETIME** is first and foremost a film about the pure joy of competition glimpsed through the eyes and hearts of a gifted group of young athletes and their coaches," said Andrea Meditch, executive producer, Discovery Films. "However, as their stories unfold, we discover a world that transcends competition and celebrates the universal values that bind us together."

Throughout the film, **DOUBLETIME** provides an intimate portrait of this journey by capturing the painstaking work and athletic artistry of the girls and boys. The film also introduces the personal stories of the team members and the people who support them including coaches Ray Frederick and Joy Holman who devote countless hours of their personal time to help the kids reach their goals; Bouncing Bulldog Timothy Martin, a high school senior who has been competing since the age of five; and Tia Rankin, an eighth grader who is one of the most buoyant members of Double Dutch Forces and one of the team's most dynamic members. Through the stories of these characters and more, **DOUBLETIME** captures the dramatic twists and turns (and leaps and bounces) of a group of inspirational kids determined to pursue their dreams.

"In this, her first feature-length film, **DOUBLETIME** director Stephanie Johnes has created a work that captures the best qualities of the competitive spirit," added Clark Bunting, president, Discovery Studios. "By gaining the trust of the families, coaches and, most importantly, the marvelous kids who make up the teams, she is able to bring us inside an exciting and emotionally satisfying world that ultimately is about much more than winning or losing."

"I absolutely love it when audiences get to see modern day jump roping at this level," says Stephanie Johnes, director of **DOUBLETIME**. "They are simply blown away by how dynamic and vibrant it is."

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Discovery Films' **DOUBLETIME** is produced by Uncle Booster Productions in association with Cactus Three. Stephanie Johns is director. Andrea Meditch is producer. Cactus Three's Julie Goldman, Krysanne Katsoolis and Caroline Stevens are the films' executive producers. Supervising editor is M Watanabe Milmore. Jonathan McHugh is music supervisor.

**DOUBLETIME** is Discovery Films' fifth theatrical documentary. **THE KILLER WITHIN**, directed by Macky Alston, premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival in 2006, and received critical acclaim. **GRIZZLY MAN**, by world-renowned director Werner Herzog was the only U.S. film nominated for the international documentary competition at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival, and went on to become the most critically acclaimed documentary of 2005. **THE FLIGHT THAT FOUGHT BACK** that chronicled United Flight 93 on 9/11, received a Primetime Emmy nomination for Outstanding Made for Television Movie in 2006. Discovery Films' inaugural documentary, **WITH ALL DELIBERATE SPEED**, directed by Peter Gilbert (*Hoop Dreams*), received a nomination for a Primetime Emmy Award for Exceptional Merit in Non-Fiction Filmmaking in 2005.

Screening Information for **DOUBLETIME** at the Tribeca Film Festival:

**Saturday, April 28, 2:00 pm**

**BMMC (Borough of Manhattan Community College)**  
199 Chambers Street (between Greenwich and West Streets)

**Sunday, April 29, 7:15 pm**

**AMC 34th Street**  
312 W. 34<sup>th</sup> Street (between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenues)

**Thursday, May 3, 8:00 pm**

**Regal Cinemas Battery Park Cinemas 11**  
102 North End Avenue (at Vesey Street)

**Saturday, May 5, 2:00 pm**

**AMC Kips Bay**  
570 Second Avenue (at 32<sup>nd</sup> Street)

Discovery Films is the theatrical documentary unit of Discovery Communications, Inc. (DCI), the number-one nonfiction media company reaching more than 1.5 billion people in over 170 countries. Through TV and new media, Discovery's 100-plus worldwide networks include Discovery Channel, TLC, Travel Channel, Animal Planet and Discovery Health. DCI is owned by Discovery Holding Co. (NASDAQ: DISCA, DISCB), Cox Communications Inc., Advance/Newhouse Communications and John S. Hendricks, Discovery's founder and chairman. For more information please visit [www.discovery.com](http://www.discovery.com).

Cactus Three executive produces high-end documentary films and non-fiction programming. Cactus offers a unique blend of production and co-production expertise, creatively developing projects as well as securing both funding and distribution. Recent releases include the HBO and BBC co-production **What Remains: the Life and Work of Sally Mann**; **Once in a Lifetime**, a Miramax Films Release; **Sketches of Frank Gehry** directed by Sydney Pollack and released by Sony Pictures Classics; SXSW Audience Award winning film **Darkon**, a Porchlight/IFC release; BAFTA nominated **Black Sun** and **loudQUIETloud – A Film About the Pixies**. In 2007 Cactus Three will premiere several new productions including SXSW selections **Doubletime**, a Discovery Films production and **Cat Dancers**, a co-production with HBO. Cactus Three was founded in 2003 by Julie Goldman, Krysanne Katsoolis and Caroline Stevens. [www.cactusthree.com](http://www.cactusthree.com)