

**Free, Open to Public Film Screening Planned at Quincy College**  
*In Their Shoes Drug Crisis Documentary to be aired January 30th*



Suggested Caption: Cheryl Buchanan (Middle) *In Their Shoes*, Producer and Writers Without Margins, Executive Director with Stephen Crivellaro and Zachary Alonzo panel at the recent screening of *In Their Shoes*. A free, open-to-public, Quincy College Quincy Campus screening will held on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Quincy, MA (1/13/2020):**

Quincy College will host a free, open to the public screening of the documentary, *In Their Shoes* on January 30th at 6:30pm at the Quincy Campus Student Lounge - Located on the 3rd Floor of Presidents Place - 1250 Hancock Street, Quincy MA.

The documentary film tells the story of several incarcerated men whose lives intersect in a prison re-entry and addiction recovery creative writing program. Learn, from their own words, what led them to commit their crimes, and witness the complexity of their ongoing stories on the outside, interspersed with interviews and appearances by Mayor Marty Walsh, Congressman Joe Kennedy III, Former Quincy College Interim President Michael Bellotti in his role as Sheriff, Dr. Bertha Madras of Trump's Commission on the Opiate Crisis, and more. This screening is in result of the popularity of the Thursday, November 14, 2019 Screening of the documentary at Quincy College at Plymouth Campus - Krovitz Library.

The screening and subsequent question and answer is intended to raise awareness and provoke conversations about mental health, criminal justice, addiction recovery, race, class, and healthcare access.

According to filmmakers, the hopes in sharing these stories were not only to inspire policy change and sentencing reform, but to promote public education regarding drug use and overdose prevention.

The screening will be followed by Question and Answer session with panelists:

Cheryl Buchanan  
In Their Shoes, Producer and Writers Without Margins, Executive Director

Stephen Crivellaro  
In Their Shoes, Cast Member and Writers Without Margins, Communications Manager

Zachary Alonzo  
In Their Shoes, Cast Member and Writers Without Margins, Assistant Facilitator

Mary Beth Herffernan  
Quincy Drug Court, Judge

Stephen Crivellaro, Brockton, MA, spent his early childhood years in Beaufort, South Carolina, where his father was a Marine. As a young child, he enjoyed fishing and riding BMX bikes with his older brother and cousins. Since the film has begun, Stephen has been an integral part of Writers Without Margins, and has recently accepted and been promoted to the role of Communications Manager. He has also graduated Quincy Drug Court and began taking courses at the Harvard Extension School. AGE 27, INCARCERATED 6.5 YEAR

Zachary Alonzo, Milton, MA, played hockey and became an avid fan of Boston sports, especially the Bruins. After being released from prison, while in a six-month recovery program, he picked up writing and enjoys it very much as it helps him expand his mind and has been a good outlet to aid in his recovery. After graduating the recovery program, Zach began facilitating workshops for Writers Without Margins, where he has been active and involved for more than a year. Zach has spoken at health centers, high schools, and prisons about the relationship of addiction, crime and incarceration. He is currently at work on his first memoir. AGE 34, INCARCERATED 3 YEARS

This is a documentary that has been shown at the Boston Film Festival, Emerson College (Boston and Los Angeles), Pepperdine University, University of New Haven, and Emory University.

In addition to hosting events like this for the community, Quincy College offers an Associate Degree and Certificate Program in Human Services and a Certificate Program in Substance Addiction.

For more information, visit: <https://quincycollege.edu/events/in-their-shoes-film-screening-quincy/>.

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