

## Film News: Opening Night of Chicago Underground Film Fest is 'Empty Metal' on June 5, 2019

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CHICAGO – It's alternative cinema in Chicago time, as the 26th Chicago Underground Film Festival (CUFF) kicks off on Wednesday, June 5th, 2019, and runs through Sunday, June 9th. The Opening Night film is "Empty Metal," a "war movie without a war, a nightmare you're ashamed to admit was actually a dream." Screenings take place at The Logan Theatre in Chicago, and tickets – which include an after party – can be purchased by [clicking here](#) [17].



26th CUFF Opening Night is 'Empty Metal'

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Set in the abusive police state of the contemporary United States, "Empty Metal" follows five groups of characters, each emblematic of a different extreme political ideology, as they attempt insurrection against the status quo. This tangled web of marginalized voices is as diverse and contradictory as the nation that spun it, but there is a common thread ... all the characters teeter on the dull knife blade that is contemporary American politics, but they refuse to fall right or left. Instead, they lash out from the soul, and under the radar, in an attempt to achieve what their mainstream predecessors have yet to accomplish.

The Chicago Underground Film Festival is an annual event showcasing independent, experimental and documentary films from around the world. The festival showcases the best in new American and international cinema, and provides its audiences access to some of the most critically acclaimed filmmakers and emerging talent from around the world. The main body of the festival is comprised of 25 programs, with narrative, documentary, experimental features, shorts and music videos, representing more than 20 countries, along with nightly parties and live music, discussions and other networking and community building events.

*The 26th Chicago Underground Film Festival (CUFF) is Wednesday, June 5th through Sunday, June 9th, 2019, at the Logan Theatre – 2646 N Milwaukee Avenue.. For more information, [click here](#). [18] The sponsoring organization of CUFF is IFP Chicago, a non-profit dedicated to the voice of independent film. For more information about IFP Chicago, [click here](#). [19]*



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