

CLOSING DAY 12 Podtalk: Jim Farrell of 'The Torch' at 55th Chicago International Film Festival

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CHICAGO – Closing Night at the 55th Chicago International Film Festival will have a decidedly Chicago-centric feel. The legendary Buddy Guy, the Blues guitar man from Louisiana – who made his mark in the South Side clubs of the Windy City, and then internationally – is the subject of a new documentary, “The Torch,” which is directed by Jim Farrell. Buddy Guy will walk the Red Carpet before the film.



Blues Legend Buddy Guy of 'The Torch,' Directed by Jim Farrell
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The Chicago International Film Festival Celebrates CLOSING DAY 12 for the Toddlin' Town movie spectacular. Feature highlights include BEST OF THE FEST, the award winning films of the Festival re-screened, and a complete day's schedule [Click here](#) [22] for a complete rundown of DAY 12 screenings and events.

At 83, Chicago legend Buddy Guy remains the standard bearer for the blues, an icon determined to see the art form live on long after he's gone. Enter guitar phenom Quinn Sullivan, who has been mentored by Guy since he was a kid. This stirring documentary, amplified by electrifying musical performances, charts the guidance Guy himself received from the likes of Muddy Waters and Howlin' Wolf ... while “the

torch” of his music craft and wisdom is passed to a new generation.



Student and Master: Quinn Sullivan and Buddy Guy in 'The Torch'
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In a Podtalk with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, director Jim Farrell of “The Torch” talks about the story of the documentary, and what Buddy Guy means to a wide range of musicians and audiences.

The Chicago International Film Festival is facilitated by Cinema/Chicago, which sponsors film events throughout the year. [Click here](#) [23] for more information and a wrap up of the 55th Fest.



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