

# Via Zoom: Filmmaker Jack C. Newell on His New Film ‘Monuments’

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CHICAGO – The evolution of the “local filmmaker” always seems to be defined through where that person is. Jack C. Newell appears to not be measured by time and place, but as a filmmaker of artistic vision with a basis in love. His latest film, “Monuments,” opens June 4th, 2021, through the [“42 Grams”](#) [30] the director continues to evolve. Currently, he continues to influence Chicago culture as Programming Director at The Second City film school, in addition to facilitating art events like the Wabash Lights and [“Destroy Your Art.”](#) [31] with wife Rebecca Fons ... who along with her mother Marianne has a “story by” credit.

In PART ONE of an interview Via Zoom with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, writer/director Jack C. Newell talks about the origins of “Monuments” and a dance sequence inspired by Spike Jones ...

In PART TWO, Newell reflects on his influences and Chicago actors ...

*“Monuments” premieres June 4th and will be available through the Gene Siskel Film Center virtual/online cinema and select theaters (see local listings). [Click here](#) [32] for complete details. Featuring David Sullivan, Marguerite Moreau, Javier Muñoz, David Pasquesi, Richard Cotovsky, Thomas Kelly and Joel Murray. Written and directed by Jack C. Newell. Not Rated.*



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