**RED ANT DREAM**

On Tuesday, March 18, 2014, the College of Arts & Letters presented the documentary *Red Ant Dream* in B122 Wells Hall. Nearly 100 years ago, the revolutionary patriot Bhagat Singh said, “Let us declare that the state of war does exist and shall exist.” That warning resonates in India today, as the armed insurrection led by Maoist guerrillas simmers in Bastar, indigenous communities of Odisha rise up against mining companies, and peasants protest in the northern state of Punjab, Bhagat Singh’s birthplace. Sanjay Kak’s thoughtful and layered documentary film weighs the possibilities of revolution in the present by chronicling the lives of those who fight for another ideal of the world.

A Q&A session with director and writer Sanjay Kak was held after the film.

*Above: Dan Kneece instructing at his MSU student workshop.*

**JACKIE BROWN**

Thursday, February 20, 2014, the College of Arts & Letters screened *Jackie Brown* in B122 Wells Hall. This legendary 1997 crime drama, directed by renowned filmmaker Quentin Tarantino, spirals around a flight attendant’s messy involvement with a cop and an arms dealer. Robert Forster received an Academy Award nomination for Best Supporting Actor in the film.

Dan Kneece, filmmaker and lead Steadicam operator on *Jackie Brown*, held a Q&A after the film. Kneece also conducted a Steadicam workshop on February 21.

**FOR THE 25**

Wednesday, November 6, 2013, the College of Arts & Letters hosted its first Global Films Series screening of the year! The event featured *For the 25*, a documentary film by Logan Stark, a former Marine sniper and current MSU student, and classmates Lexi Dakin and Rebecca Zantjer. The film is the story of Stark’s 25 fallen comrades of the 3rd Battalion 5th Marines, that suffered the most casualties in 2010 during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

Prior to the screening of *For the 25*, there was a reception with refreshments and dessert. Q&A followed the film, with filmmakers Logan Stark and Rebecca Zantjer as well as special guests Dr. Bump Halbritter (MSU Department of Writing, Rhetoric, and American Cultures), Jerred Pender (MSU chapter president, Student Veterans of America), and Rob Price (veterans services administrator for the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency).

To learn more about the documentary and filmmaker Logan Stark, visit his College of Arts & Letters student story here! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GkpNZWf8lw0