

ON THE STREETS: TWO FILMS ABOUT SEX WORKERS

The Multicultural Cinema Club
58 Queen Street South, Kitchener
November 17, 2010
7:00 P.M.

Men For Sale (Canada, 2008, 144 min)

Men for Sale follows eleven sex-trade workers over the course of a year, recounting their struggles to survive alcohol and drug-related addictions, abuse and stigmatization – and, their troubled pasts. Trapped in a vicious circle of prostitution and drug, they pursue their hardscrabble lives, knowing their prospects for the future are dim. An unflinching portrait with neither voyeurism nor false sympathy, *Men for Sale* acknowledges those society prefers to ignore.

The Butterfly Collectors (Canada, 1996, 18 min)

This film was developed for Street Teams of Calgary and is as relevant today as it was on its release more than ten years ago. This film is based on a true story of the indoctrination of two girls into a world of prostitution. *The Butterfly Collectors* tells the stories of Christine, 15, and Jackie, 14, in bleak, harsh detail. How they met the men who put them on the streets to work in the sex trade, how those men slowly hooked them into the lifestyle with promises of love and plenty of parties and drugs – free at first, but only at first.

Key Links:

<http://films.nfb.ca/men-for-sale/>