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**NJTV Premieres New Film Series *NJDocs* Tonight; Calls For Submissions from
New Jersey College and University Students**

Montclair Film Festival Director Thom Powers Hosts Monthly Series

February 6, 2012 – Montclair, NJ- NJTV, New Jersey's new public television network, premieres a new monthly film series tonight called *NJDocs*, featuring documentaries produced primarily by New Jersey's college and university students. The network is calling for submissions from the state's collegiate filmmakers through their schools for inclusion in the series, which starts tonight, February 6th at 10pm ET on NJTV (*check local listings*) and will feature a new documentary film on NJTV in the same timeslot on the first Monday night of each month. *NJDocs* is hosted by acclaimed film festival programmer Thom Powers, who serves as Director of the Montclair Film Festival and documentary programmer for the Toronto International Film Festival, among others.

"*NJDocs* is fulfilling one of NJTV's missions- to engage and showcase local talent," said John Servidio, General Manager of NJTV. "What better place to start than the state's colleges and universities, where aspiring filmmakers are hard at work and looking for exposure. It's mutually gratifying."

NJDocs debuts tonight with *Atlantic Crossing*, a 60-minute documentary from Rutgers University filmmakers about researchers and students voyaging across the Atlantic Ocean in the first robotic glider. After broadcast, this film and others in the series will be posted online at www.njtvonline.org/docs.

NJTV is asking New Jersey's colleges and universities to recommend their students' best works for broadcast, or have individual students submit through their associated film departments. (Due to anticipated high submission interest, one entry per school per month is being encouraged at this time.) Amateur filmmakers who submit to *NJDocs* must be registered students at a New Jersey state college or university. There is no deadline for film submissions as selection will be continued on a rolling basis. NJTV is looking for films 30-60 minutes in length that are high quality, fully produced, in final form, with all rights and clearances intact.

For more submission details, and film parameters, log on to: www.njtvonline.org/docs.

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ABOUT NJTV

NJTV brings quality public television programs and resources to communities throughout New Jersey and its Tri-state neighbors. NJTV's broadcast schedule combines acclaimed national PBS series like [American Masters](#), [Nature](#), [Charlie Rose](#), and [BBC World News America](#) with an array of state-focused news, arts and public affairs shows, including [One-on-One with Steve Adubato](#), [Perspectives](#), [Caucus New Jersey](#), [Due Process](#) and [State of the Arts](#). The station's week-nightly news broadcast, [NJ Today](#), features stories from across the Garden State. NJTV complements its growing news staff by partnering with state-wide media and higher education institutions. The network actively solicits viewer [news tips, story ideas and feedback](#), along with locally-produced [film shorts and long-form documentaries](#), making New Jerseyans part of the network's editorial team. The network's website, www.njtvonline.org posts the latest local news, information and program schedules, and its Education section offers local educators free, classroom-ready, digital resources through [VITAL NJ](#).

NJTV is comprised of WNJN, WNJS, WNJB, and WNJT, which collectively broadcast throughout NJ. Formerly New Jersey Network (NJN), NJTV is operated under an agreement with the state of New Jersey by Public Media NJ, Inc. (PMNJ), a non-profit affiliate of WNET, parent company of award-winning New York public television stations THIRTEEN and WLIW21. NJTV [sponsorships and partnerships](#) are available.