

Tre Maison Dasan

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Tre, Maison, and Dasan are all very different from one another. Tre, 13, is a rebellious and defiant aspiring rapper. Maison, 11, is a precocious and energetic young man whose vocabulary far exceeds that of most preteens. And Dasan, six, is a sweet and tender-hearted boy who is often shy in front of the camera. What unites Tre, Maison, and Dasan is that each of them has a parent in prison...and they are not alone.

The United States is by far the world's leader in incarceration, with the current trend toward privatization of prisons for profit assuring that dubious title is unlikely to be shed anytime soon. One under-discussed consequence of this lust for lockup is the fact that an estimated 1 in 14 youths have a parent in custody.

All three boys have problems — different ones, but most at least partly traceable to the insecurity and instability bred by a parent's long absence. This engrossing documentary focuses primarily on the kids as each grows through some rough developmental patches. But en route a few stereotypes get demolished, most notably the notion that every convict is a "deadbeat dad" or otherwise inherently bad person. Very well-crafted, this feature directorial debut is an excellent non-fiction drama with several layers of topical resonance to encourage its exposure in an election year.

Directed by: Denali Tiller USA 2018. 94 minutes.



SATURDAY at 1:50pm

SUNDAY at 4:15pm

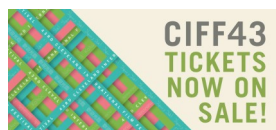
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1— online: www.clevelandfilm.org/tickets

2— by phone: 1-877-304-FILM

3— in person: Film Festival Box Office in the Tower City Cinemas lobby

TIP: Many films at the 43rd annual Cleveland International Film Festival (CIFF) will go on standby. Don't wait until the day of the film to purchase your ticket. Make an early purchase for any CIFF film you'd like to see during the festival. Regular ticket price for non-CIFF members is \$16. Students and seniors: \$14. College students: films are free with valid ID, M-F 9am-3pm.



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