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Stanislaus County Library to host *Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle*

Beginning in October, the Stanislaus County Library will host *Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle*, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities that uses the power of documentary films to encourage community discussion of America's civil rights history. This month the library will screen two documentaries which illustrate America's struggle for civil rights.

On Saturday, Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library will show *The Loving Story*, a documentary of the interracial marriage between Richard Loving and Mildred Jeter and the legal battle that followed. The film includes filmed interviews and photographs of the couple.

The Modesto Library will screen *The Abolitionists* on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. *The Abolitionists* uses reenactments to depict the struggles of the many men and women who fought to end slavery. The film focuses specifically on the efforts of William Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglas, Angelina Grimké, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and John Brown.

The *Created Equal* film set and public programs have been made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, as part of its Bridging Cultures initiative, in partnership with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

For more information about *Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle* please call the Modesto Library Reference Desk at (209) 558-7814. The Salida Library is located at 4835 Sisk Road, with free parking in the adjacent parking lot. The Modesto Library is located at 1500 I St. in Modesto. Free parking is available in the parking lot behind the library and on surrounding streets.

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