

## Red carpet premiere

*Film looks at Montvale murder decades later*



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Academy Award-nominated actor Terrence Howard and son Hunter speak to Starline reporter Heather Parcels.

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Over three decades ago, a horrific murder took place in the Borough of Montvale. This year marks the 30th anniversary of

the conviction of Harry De La Roche Jr. for the slaying of his parents and two brothers at their home in the borough during the 1976 Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

De La Roche graduated

from Pascack Hills High School in 1976 and is currently serving out a life sentence on four counts of murder.

Based on this case, John Doscher and Fran Ganguza of Starline Films, who are also

graduates of Pascack Hills High School, wrote, directed and produced a documentary aptly titled "Harry...A Communication Breakdown." The film is narrated by Academy Award-nominat-

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ed actor Danny Aiello.

"We filmed portions of the documentary up at the high school," says Doscher. "Pascack Hills High School and the faculty have supported us from the very beginning, as well as other local commerce and businesses."

The documentary includes segments from a 90-minute interview Doscher conducted with De La Roche while visiting him in prison.

On Nov. 26, Starline Films, headquartered in Upper Saddle River, held a fund-raiser and Home for the Holidays preview premiere of "Harry...A Communication Breakdown" at Chakra Restaurant in Paramus. With each ticket costing \$150, a portion of the net proceeds of the premiere will benefit New Jersey Child Assault Prevention (NJCAP).

It was a star-studded event as celebrities including Danny Aiello, Artie Pasquale of "The Sopranos," Academy Award-nominated actor Terrence Howard, and Steven Van Zandt of both Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band and "The Sopranos" lined the red carpet. Haley Joel Osment, known for his role in the 1999 thriller "The Sixth Sense," also showed up but didn't make a public appearance on the carpet.

This documentary supports Starline's feature film project, "Anyone's Son," which is based on a book of the same title written by Roberta Roesch of Westwood and which also surrounds the De La Roche murders.

Aiello will make his directorial debut in "Anyone's Son,"

which is set to star A-list celebrities Sharon Stone, Val Kilmer, Robert Duvall, James Caan and Shirley MacLaine. Parts of this film will also be shot at Pascack Hills High School in Montvale.

Starline Films is also working on another feature film, "4Chosen," about four young basketball players shot by two New Jersey State Troopers in 1998 while heading to a college basketball camp on the New Jersey Turnpike. The feature film is supported by a documentary of the same name, which won "Best Documentary-Short" at the 2008 Garden State Film Festival.

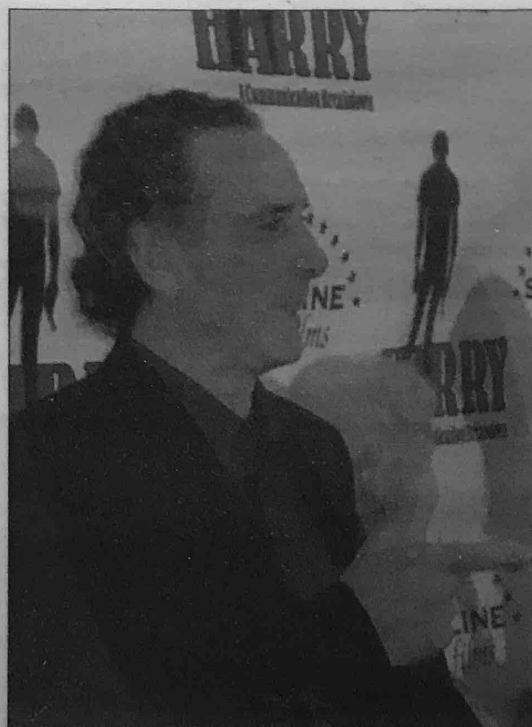
For more information about New Jersey Child Assault Prevention, visit the group's Web site at [www.njcap.org](http://www.njcap.org). For more information on any of the aforementioned films, visit [www.starline-films.com](http://www.starline-films.com).



Above: Roberta Roesch, a Westwood resident and author of "Anyone's Son," is interviewed.



Left: Actor Danny Aiello, who narrates the documentary, makes a red carpet appearance on Nov. 26.



Artie Pasquale, known for his role on "The Sopranos," will appear in the feature film "Anyone's Son."