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URBAN FORUM PRESENTS THE PRUITT IGOE MYTH WITH FAREWELL TO OAK STREET

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MAYFAIR THEATRE 1074 BANK STREET, OTTAWA

ABOUT THE FILMS

THE PRUITT IGOE MYTH

Chad Freidrichs (Director) | First Run Films | 2011

Destroyed in a dramatic and highly-publicized implosion, the Pruitt-Igoe public housing complex has become a widespread symbol of failure amongst architects, politicians and policy makers.

The Pruitt-Igoe Myth explores the social, economic and legislative issues that led to the decline of conventional public housing in America, and the city centers in which they resided, while tracing the personal and poignant narratives of several of the project's residents.

In the post-War years, the American city changed in ways that made it unrecognizable from a generation earlier, privileging some and leaving others in its wake.

FAREWELL TO OAK STREET National Film Board | 1953

This documentary presents a before-and-after picture of people in a large-scale public housing project in Toronto. Due to a housing shortage, they were forced to live in squalid, dingy flats and ramshackle dwellings on a crowded street in Regent Park North; now they have access to new, modern housing developments designed to offer them privacy, light and space.

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