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Louder Than a Bomb

Louder than a Bomb is a film about passion, competition, teamwork, and trust. It's about the joy of being young, and the pain of growing up. It's about speaking out, making noise, and finding your voice. It also happens to be about poetry.

Every year, more than six hundred teenagers from over sixty Chicago schools gather for the world's largest youth poetry slam, a competition known as "Louder Than a Bomb". Rather than emphasize individual poets and performances, *Louder Than a Bomb* demands that kids work collaboratively with their peers presenting, critiquing, and rewriting their pieces. To succeed, teams have to create an environment of mutual trust and support. For many, being a part of such an environment is life-changing.

Louder than a Bomb chronicles the stereotype-confounding stories of four teams as they prepare for and compete in the event. By turns hopeful and heartbreaking, the film captures the tempestuous lives of these unforgettable kids, exploring the ways writing shapes their world, and vice versa. This is not "high school poetry" — this is the language of joyful release by irrepressibly talented teenagers obsessed with making words dance and sing. How and why they do it, and the community they create along the way, is at the heart of this inspiring film.

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**Directors &
Producers:** Greg
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9:30 am**

**Open to the public
Students in attendance**

**Students/Seniors \$6
Regular Price \$8**

Duration: 99 min.