# **STEP**





STEP is the true-life story of a girls' high-school step team against the background of the heart of Baltimore. These young women learn to laugh, love and thrive – on and off the stage – even when the world seems to work against them. Empowered by their teachers, teammates, counselors, coaches and families, they chase their ultimate dreams: to win a step championship and to be accepted into college.

This all female school is reshaping the futures of its students' lives by making it their goal to have every member of their senior class accepted to and graduate from college, many of whom will be the first in their family to do so. Deeply insightful and emotionally inspiring, STEP embodies the true meaning of sisterhood through a story of courageous young women worth cheering for.

## **Director & Producer:**

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## **Distributor:**

Fox Searchlight

## **Executive Producers:**

Stick Figure Productions, Impact Partners, Scott Rudin

## **Editor:**

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## **Release Dates:**

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## Links:

<u>Click here to watch the STEP trailer</u> Click here to watch the STEP music video

#### Awards:

Sundance Film Festival: Special Jury Prize Documentary (2017)

NAACP Image Awards for Outstanding Documentary (2017)

AFI Docs Festival: Audience Award for Feature Documentary (2017)

African-American Film Critics Association: AAFCA Award for Best Documentary (2017)

Cinetopia Film Festival: Audience Award for Best Documentary (2018)

Film Club's The Lost Weekend Award for Best Documentary (2017)

Seattle International Film Festival: Women in Cinema Lena Sharpe Award (2017)

Wisconsin Film Festival: Audience Award for Best Documentary Feature (2017)

Critic's Choice Documentary Awards for Best Song in a Documentary (2017)