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Documentary highlights Tibetans in the North Country

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Jan 20, 2016 — A new Mountain Lake PBS documentary makes its big screen premiere in Plattsburgh tonight. It's called "Arts in Exile: Tibetan Treasures in Small Town America."

The Chinese government took control of Tibet in the 1950s, and activists say Tibetans have been deprived of human rights ever since.



Photo courtesy of Mountain Lake PBS.

The film features a Tibetan couple living in the North Country, the owners of Himalaya Restaurant in Plattsburgh, who are trying to spread awareness about their traditions. "They're using that culture to show to the public what Tibetan culture is all about so that then the public will be more open to learning about the problems with the fact that Tibet is being occupied and that many Tibetans are living in exile, away from their homeland," said documentary Producer Paul Larson.

The premiere is Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the Strand Theater. Tickets are free.

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