

PLATTSBURGH Mountain Lake PBS' documentary "Arts in Exile: Tibetan Treasures in Small Town America," will compete against six other programs this June, wying for the title of "Outstanding Documentary" at the Boston/New England Regional Emmy Awards ceremony.

The selected programs were announced last week at a nomination party in Boston.

"Arts in Exile" chronicles the creation of the Tibetan arts festival held last fall in Plattsburgh, exploring how the city was inspired by the culture of Tibet from across the globe. The documentary examines how several Tibetan refugees use the arts to raise awareness about the global problems they face and keep their culture alive.

"This project was a huge undertaking for this station. The documentary was just one part of a much larger initiative that engaged the community on many levels, from a 10-foot tile mural installed in downtown Plattsburgh to a multiweek festival of exhibitions and performances," said Erik Nycklemoe, president and CEO of Mountain Lake PBS.

"This nomination honors not only Mountain Lake PBS, but everyone involved in this community project."

Mountain Lake PBS will celebrate its Emmy nomination with five airings of "Arts in Exile" beginning at 7 p.m. May 1. Other airings follow at 10 p.m. May 2; 3 a.m. May 3; noon May 4; and 4 p.m. May 5.

The documentary is one component of the 2015 Festival of Tibetan Arts & Culture of the Adirondack Coast. The festival, organized in part by restaurant owners Tenzin and Yangchen Dorjee and SUNY Anthropology Professor Amy Mounteastle, included performances by Adirondack Youth Orchestra, an exhibition at SUNY Plattsburgh and the creation of a tile mural.

The 39th Boston/New England Regional Emmy Awards Ceremony takes place June 4 in Boston. Learn more and watch clips of the program at

artsinexile.mountainlake.org.