

Coal Country

A film by Mari-Lynn Evans and Phylis Geller

Progressive Democrats of America – Ohio and the Portage Trail Sierra Club proudly present the Ohio Premiere of *Coal Country*, an award winning documentary produced by “Akron’s own” Mari-Lynn Evans. This powerful film exposes the devastating effects of mountain top removal on the lives and environment of the people of Appalachia. This film is sure to change the way we look at the relationship between the environmental, economic, and social-political forces where decisions are made in our nation’s reckless pursuit of cheap energy and driven by those who profit.

Coal Country will be shown at the Akron Civic Theater on September 12th, 2009 at 8pm. Special guests include **Mari-Lynn Evans**, Executive Producer of *Coal Country*; **Elisa Young**, featured in the film, founder of grassroots community group Meigs Citizen Action Now; Invited guests: Actress **Darryl Hannah**, Award Winning Country and Folk Artist **Kathy Mattea**, and other local and national notables.

The cost of admission is free so that the largest possible audience will experience and witness this incredible film highlighting the excellent work of Akron’s most noted filmmaker. We hope to pack the house.

Come show support for this worthwhile cause. As climate change and environmental issues take center stage at the national and local levels, citizens need to engage family, friends, and neighbors to educate and motivate the public to demand a more sustainable world. Sponsors will be listed in our program and donations to continue this work and to support the Civic will be encouraged and accepted at the door.

A private reception will be held from 6:30pm – 7:30pm that evening with all of the special guests and speakers. **The reception is limited to the first 100 sponsors** donating at levels detailed below:

Sponsorship Levels:

- **\$500** - 10 seats in reserved seating at the film showing
5 admissions to private reception with filmmaker and special guests
Half page ad in the Program
- **\$250** - 4 seats in reserved seating
2 admissions to private reception with filmmaker and special guests
Quarter page ad in the Program
- **\$100** - 1 seat in reserved seating
1 admission to private reception with filmmaker and special guests
One eighth page ad in the Program
- **\$50** - 1 seat in reserved seating
Name listed in program as sponsor

Please contact pdaohio@gmail.com or contact Mary Nichols-Rhodes at 330-957-6167 to find out more information about sponsoring this one time theater showing of this important, breakthrough film.