

## MEDIA ADVISORY

**Global premiere of documentary  
on St. John Paul II's role in the fall of communism  
to take place in Chicago, Dec. 6  
Admission is free**

On Dec. 6, the premiere of the new documentary *Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism* will be taking place at the Copernicus Center, a cultural hub for the city's large Polish community.

Narrated by actor Jim Caviezel and with original music by renowned composer Joe Kraemer (*Mission Impossible: Rogue Nation*, *Jack Reacher*), this gripping documentary traces St. John Paul II's crucial role in the liberation of Central and Eastern Europe from decades of Soviet rule. The film features rare archival footage and exclusive interviews with several heads of state, among them former Polish president and Solidarity founder Lech Wałęsa, as well as eyewitness testimonies of many of John Paul II's closest associates, including his lifelong assistant Cardinal Stanisław Dziwisz. The feature length film represents the most ambitious and in-depth effort yet to chronicle the spiritual impetus that led to the fall of communism in 1989.

**WHAT:** Global premiere of the documentary *Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism*

**WHERE:** The Copernicus Center, Chicago  
5216 West Lawrence Avenue (one block east of Milwaukee Avenue)  
Admittance on a first-come, first-served basis

**WHEN:** Dec. 6 from 5:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m., doors open at 4 p.m. (free admission)

**WHO:** Director and writer David Naglieri and producer Szymon Czyszek will be available for interviews

The following evening on Dec. 7, the documentary will air on WTTW11 (PBS) at 7:30 p.m.

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