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**DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY KICKS OFF FALL FILM SERIES ON SATURDAY
OCTOBER 13, AT THE DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

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DETROIT - The Detroit Historical Museum kicks off its fall film series on Saturday Oct. 13, featuring films that explore the historical value of some of Detroit's signature structures and the need for preservation of that history. The series continues one weekend each month through December. All shows are free with regular admission to the Museum.

The series opens with a presentation of "Detroit: Ruin of a City" (2005). Michael Chanan and George Steinmetz, a University of Michigan professor, tell the story of Detroit after World War II. The documentary explores the causes and effects of Detroit's fall, including the labor crises, segregation, and the riots of 1943 and 1967. Showings of "Detroit: Ruin of a City" are on Saturday Oct. 13 and Sunday Oct. 14 at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

"Stranded at the Corner" (2006)
Showing Nov. 10 and 11 at 1 p.m.

This Telly Award-winning Gary Glaser film features the story of Tiger Stadium and includes interviews with local historians, business owners and lawyers who fought to preserve baseball's oldest playing field.

"The Hudson's Building"
Showing Dec. 9 and 10 at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Award-winning director Gary Glaser's film enters the late 1990s debate on demolition versus preservation of Hudson's downtown Detroit department store. To many, the Hudson's downtown store meant much more to the Detroit community than just a place

to shop -- it was the social heart of the city for decades. Glaser packs in old photographs, home movie footage, and commentaries from former employees, city planners, preservationists and developers.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby) in Detroit's Cultural Center area, is open to the public Wednesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from Noon to 5 p.m. On Mondays and Tuesdays, the Museum is not open to the public but available for group tours by calling (313) 833-7979. Adult admission is \$6. Seniors (60+), college students with valid college ID, and youth ages 5-18 pay \$4. Admission for children ages four and under is free. Parking in the Museum's lot is \$3 at all times. Permanent exhibits include the famous Streets of Old Detroit, Frontiers to Factories, The Motor City, and The Glancy Trains. For more information, call the Museum at (313) 833-1805 or check out our website at www.detroithistorical.org.