

FORCE of BLUE
A Documentary Film
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FORCE OF BLUE DOCUMENTARY SIGNS DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH INDIE RIGHTS MOVIES NOW STREAMING ON AMAZON PRIME VIDEO.



Force of Blue, the award-winning documentary feature film directed by first-time helmer **Jeffrey S. Williams**, has signed a distribution agreement with **Indie Rights Movies** and is currently streaming on **Tubi** and **Amazon Prime Video**.

Force of Blue is an enthralling ninety-minute documentary that follows the Minneapolis North Community High School football team through the 2020 season; A season on the brink, with schools closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in a city on the edge after the death of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis police officers and the ensuing riots that set the city ablaze a couple of months before the start of the season. The Polars relied on their coaches, a group of dedicated police officers, who guided them through the turbulent times despite cops being persona non grata in a city with many political forces pushing for the defunding of the Minneapolis Police Department. *Force of Blue* giftedly navigates through the intersection of sports and social justice issues to present an intriguing documentary about a unique period in American history.

Force of Blue premiered at the 2024 Pan African Film Festival in Los Angeles. It has since screened in several film festivals worldwide, winning Best Feature Film at the Hamilton, New York International Film Festival, Best Sports Film at the Bangkok Movie Awards, and Best Director at the Dreamanila International Film Festival. *Force of Blue* was produced by Williams and **Jon Cermin** of Cine Cermin Productions.

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FORCE OF BLUE INTERESTING NOTES:

- Although **Force of Blue** is the same subject matter as the Showtime docuseries **Boys in Blue**, produced and directed by **Peter Berg**, there is no connection between the two documentaries. *Force of Blue* had started filming a year before *Boys in Blue* and chronicles the 2020 football season that was directly after the death of George Floyd and cut short by the COVID pandemic.
- Recent New York Jets signee, wide receiver **Tyler Johnson**, is one of the subjects in the documentary.
- Current college players featured in the documentary:
 - Davon Townley, Missouri St.
 - Zashon Rich, Kansas St.
 - Jemario Roberson, York (NB), wrestling
 - Zach Yeager, Howard
 - Terrance Kamara, St. Thomas (MN)
 - Mario Sanders, Illinois
- **Force of Blue** was produced for only **\$50,000** and was partially funded by grants from the **Minneapolis Foundation** and the **Minnesota Vikings Foundation**. It received fiscal sponsorship from Film Independent.
- **Minneapolis North** head football coach **Charlie Adams III** is the current Director of Security for the **Minnesota Twins** baseball team.

FILMMAKERS:

Director: Jeffrey S. Williams
Producers: Jon Cermin and Jeffrey S. Williams
Editor: Jeffrey S. Williams
Narrator: Zach Yeager
Music: Marion Robinson/ Asche and Spencer

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FESTIVAL SCREENINGS:

Pan African Film Festival (2024)	-	Los Angeles
Rhode Island Black Film Festival (2024)	-	Providence
North Carolina Black Film Festival (2024)	-	Wilmington
Roxbury Film Festival (2024)	-	Boston
Hamilton, New York International		

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Film Festival (2024)	-	Hamilton, NY
Twin Cities Black Film Festival (2024)	-	Minneapolis
Royal Cocoa International Film Festival (2024)	-	Eti-Oni, Nigeria
Bangkok Movie Awards (2025)	-	Bangkok, Thailand
Dreamanila International Film Festival (2024)	-	Manila, Philippines
Southeast Asia International Film Festival (2024)	-	Pattaya, Thailand
Sandton Film Festival (2025)	-	Sandton, RSA

AWARDS:

Best Feature Film	-	Hamilton, New York International Film Festival
Best Director	-	Dreamanila International Film Festival
Best Sports Film	-	Bangkok Movie Awards

STREAMING SITES:

Tubi (Free with Ads)

[Force of Blue](#)

[Amazon.com](#) (PPV)

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WEBSITE:

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TRAILER

[FOB Trailer HD 1080p](#)

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IMAGES:



CAPTIONS (Clockwise)

1. Minneapolis Policeman Ricky Plunkett works with a Minneapolis North defensive back.
2. Minneapolis North's Elijah Jackson Jr. gives the pre-game pep talk.
3. Metro Transit Police Sergeant Tim Lawrence coaches the offensive line.
4. Head Coach and former Minneapolis Policeman Charles Adams III (right) gives a parent talk alongside his father, Minneapolis Police 4th Precinct Inspector Charles Adams II (left).
5. Metro Transit Police Sergeant Tim Lawrence talks with Offensive Coordinator Tom Lachermeir.