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January 22, 5pm

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film screening and Q&A

with Renata Hill & Terrain Dandridge

Humanities Gateway 1070 / McCormick Screening Room

In August 2006, Renata Hill, Patreese Johnson, Venice Brown, and Terrain Dandridge defended themselves against a man who harassed and attacked them on the street in New York City. Depicted in the media as a “gang of killer lesbians,” the four were arrested and charged with gang assault and attempted murder, and convicted to prison sentences ranging from three to eleven years. Out in the Night follows their case through the culmination of their legal battles. In the process, the film illuminates the powerful intersections of race, gender, sexuality, and class that shaped the case and its media coverage.

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