



***Out of My Head* Documentary Film on Migraine to Premiere at MoMA's Doc Fortnight 2018**

NEW YORK – FEBRUARY 9 , 2018 - *Out of My Head*, the feature length documentary film on migraine, will make its world premiere in New York at the prestigious *Doc Fortnight 2018*, The Museum of Modern Art's annual international festival of nonfiction film, on Tuesday, February 20th, 2018 at 7:00 PM. The film will screen daily through February 26th, 2018.

Written and directed by Susanna Styron and produced by Jacki Ochs, *Out of My Head* sets out to investigate the devastating migraine attacks that have the filmmaker's daughter in their grip. As mother and daughter seek understanding and ever-elusive treatment, we follow them into a bizarre and fascinating world populated by doctors, neuroscientists, other migraineurs, and such unexpected characters as Lewis Carroll, Sigmund Freud, and Joan Didion. We learn that, rather than a terrible headache, migraine is a complex, deeply stigmatized neurological disease afflicting nearly a billion people worldwide. This kaleidoscopic journey, told through interviews, cinema verité, art and animation, explores the history, impact and raw emotion evoked by this unpredictable and confounding condition.

When I say a headache I don't mean just a headache, I mean something that would totally brutalize you. – Joan Didion

Out of My Head will be shown on the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, February 20, 7:00 PM
Q&A with Jacki Ochs; Susanna Styron; Emma Larson; Francisco Bello
- Wednesday, February 21, 4:30 PM
- Thursday, February 22, 7:30 PM
Q&A with Jacki Ochs; Susanna Styron; Richard Lipton, MD, Director,
Montefiore Headache Center
- Friday, February 23, 4:30 PM
- Saturday, February 24, 1:00 PM
Q&A with Jacki Ochs; Susanna Styron; Robert Shapiro MD, Professor,
Neurological Sciences, U of VT Medical Center; Andrew Levy, author of *A
Brain Wider Than The Sky*

- Sunday, February 25, 7:15 PM
- Q &A with Jacki Ochs; Susanna Styron; Siri Hustvedt, author of *The Shaking Woman or A History of My Nerves*
- Monday, February 26, 4:30 PM

Doc Fortnight, MoMA's annual international festival of nonfiction film, returns for its 17th year with 12 days of innovative approaches to documentary filmmaking from February 15-26 at The Museum of Modern Art. Featuring a diverse assortment of feature and short films from across the globe, Doc Fortnight continues to showcase nonfiction film that challenges our perceptions of the changing world and the traditional model of documentary cinema.

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The film's trailer is available for preview at www.outofmyheadfilm.com/

For a downloadable ***Out of My Head*** press kit, visit

www.outofmyheadfilm.com/about

For MoMA's **Doc Fortnight** ticket information go to

www.moma.org/calendar/events/4053?locale=en

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