

## **LOUISVILLE SLUGGER MUSEUM - Louisville, KY**

## The Black Athlete on Film

January 1 - March 31, 2007

In celebration of Black History Month, Reel Heroes: The Black Athlete on Film will be on display at Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory. This exhibition of eye-catching vintage movie posters ranging from 1936 through 2004 chronicles the development of the black athlete on the silver screen. While many of the films focus on great stars like Joe Louis, Kenny Washington, and Satchel Paige, they also reflect the deeper issues of race and historic inequality in American sports. The posters are on loan from The Separate Cinema Archive and include iconic films such as *The Jackie Robinson Story*, *Brian's Song*, and *Hoop Dreams*.

Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory is devoted to the art, science and thrill of hitting a baseball, and the special place Louisville Slugger holds within the sport's history. In the factory, visitors see wood bats being made for professional baseball players. In the galleries, they learn about baseball's history through interactive displays and historical artifacts, including a bat used by Babe Ruth with a notch for every home run he hit with it. LSMF is located in downtown Louisville at 800 W. Main St., and open Monday through Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm and Sundays from 12 to 5 pm.

**To Book This Exhibit** for your museum, or any of the other different theme exhibits available from the Separate Cinema Archive contact: John Kisch at (845) 452-1998. See our fully illustrated website: www.SeparateCinema.com

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