***I Am Not Your Negro* – Event Intro Script**

Thank you joining us! My name is <insert name>, and welcome to **Indie Lens Pop-Up**, presented by <your organization> and <your local PBS station>.

Today’s sneak preview screening is Oscar-nominated *I Am Not Your Negro*by Raoul Peck. The film premieres on *Independent Lens* on PBS **Monday, January 15** at 9:00/8:00c [NOTE: confirm with your local PBS station if there is a different local broadcast date and/or time]. Please help spread the word! Like us @IndependentLens on Facebook, use the hashtag #IAmNotYourNegro on Twitter, and talk about the film or this event on social media.

**[Pre-screening Audience Conversation Starter – Adapt As Needed]**

[Note: only mention this if you choose to administer audience surveys for this film] After the screening, please take a few minutes to fill out the audience survey. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us understand the impact of our Indie Lens Pop-Up screening series. Everyone who completes a survey is entered into a raffle for the chance to win a $100 Amazon gift card!

Indie Lens Pop-Up is about sparking conversations and getting to know your community better--we’d love for you to share your response to the following question with your seat neighbors to help kick off tonight’s discussion!

**Conversation Starter:**

How would you describe the progress of race relations in America since the Civil Rights Movement?

[If time permits, ask a few participants to share their thoughts with the group]

Thank you for sharing your perspectives.

Tonight, we are watching *I Am Not Your* Negro. One of the most acclaimed films of the year and an Oscar nominee for Best Documentary, *I Am Not Your Negro* envisions the book James Baldwin never finished. The result is a radical, up-to-the-minute examination of race in America, using Baldwin’s original words, spoken by Samuel L. Jackson, and with a flood of rich archival material.

We invite you to sit back and enjoy the film, but also to stay with us after and join the conversation. <Insert more about your engagement activity or special guests here.> Sign up for our newsletter in the lobby / follow us <insert social media handle> to receive updates on local Indie Lens Pop-Up events and upcoming broadcasts! The opening credits may feature a preview of films outside of the Indie Lens Pop-Up program, but is part of the *Independent Lens* broadcast season. For showtimes, visit [pbs.org/independentlens](http://pbs.org/independentlens).

A special thank you to our national partners: *Independent Lens*, ITVS, PBS, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and Penguin Random House (for donating books for tonight’s raffle), and our local partners <insert your venue and community partners>. We hope you enjoy the show!

**AFTER THE FILM SCREENS**

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