

## **BPP HISTORY MONTH FILM FESTIVAL 2009**

### **Film Trailer for Richard Aoki**

**A 20 minute short on Richard Aoki, an early member of the Black Panther Party. He was Japanese-American and spent part of his childhood in an internment camp during World War II. His family then relocated to West Oakland where he grew up. As a student leader at UC Berkeley, he was a member of the Third World Liberation Front and fought for and helped establish the Ethnic Studies Department. He later worked for Peralta College. Richard was a strong person who fought for the rights of others, an Oakland legend who passed away in 2009.**

### **The Small Axe: by JR – 20 minutes**

**This is a hard hitting documentary about the murder of Oscar Grant in Oakland by Bart police. There is live footage from the Bart uprising against police abuse and JR also covers the reason why four police were killed in East Oakland.**

### **VH-1's documentary – The Black Panther Party – 45 minutes**

**This documentary covers the growth and development of the BPP. There are interviews with former Panthers from several cities. It shows how the police and government set out to destroy the BPP and is one of the best recent historical pieces.**

### **Emory Douglas documentary from New Zealand – 30 minutes**

**Emory Douglas, former Minister of Culture of the BPP and revolutionary artist, just returned from six weeks in New Zealand. He will show a film about his visit and discuss the experience.**

### **Peralta College: Home of the Panthers – 1 hour**

**An historical representation of the birth of the BPP and the development of Black Studies at Merritt College, Oakland, CA.**