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**San Francisco Public Library Presents “Dances for Camera”  
in partnership with San Francisco Dance Film Festival  
in celebration of National Dance Week**

**Koret Auditorium**

**Thursday, April 28th 5:30pm – 7:30pm**

5:30pm: Highlights from SFDFE’s 2015 Fall Festival

6:30pm feature documentary *Let’s Get the Rhythm*

***Let’s Get the Rhythm***

Celebrate the wondrous world of hand-clapping games, a traditional genre that thrives on the playgrounds of large cities and in remote corners of the world.

The screening will be followed by a brief Q&A with Mill Valley filmmaker Irene Chagall, also a longtime music teacher at the Community Music Center in the Mission, which provides music education to all, regardless of financial means. This event is free and open to the public. For more information about the feature documentary, visit <http://www.sfdancefilmfest.org/lets-get-the-rhythm/>

***Let’s Get the Rhythm*** is a 53-minute documentary chronicling girls’ hand-clapping games on inner-city playgrounds and around the world, from every continent and many islands in between. Three eight-year-olds from diverse cultural backgrounds in the greater New York area charm viewers with their personal insights as they learn, share, and eventually outgrow the tradition.

While drawing attention to the social importance of girls’ games, the documentary showcases archival footage from far-flung locations, even ancient Egyptian reliefs, and includes footage by Alan Lomax and Laura Boulton. Folklorist Bess Lomax Hawes and ethnomusicologist Kyra Gaunt accentuate the beauty of the beat with choice observations on the empowering force of this genre on the lives of women.

The San Francisco Dance Film Festival takes place this year October 20-23, 2016 at Brava Theater Center in San Francisco.