

Black and Gold

an independent film by Big Noise Productions

BLACK&GOLD offers audiences a look into the Almighty Latin King and Queen Nation (ALKQN) in New York. It documents the transformations ALKQN has undergone since 1994 when the leader-ship consciously decided to move away from street gang activities and into political organizing. Informed by the example of the Young Lords and the Black Panthers, the Nation organizes against an oppressive status quo that encourages street violence. They run a day care program, organize classes on Latino history and culture, register tens of thousands of voters in underrepresented districts, help kids find jobs, protest police brutality, march against education funding cuts, demonstrate for AIDS research, and mobilize against the growth of the prison industrial complex. The product of over one year of filming on the front lines of New York City, BLACK&GOLD combines the testimony of Kings and Queens with a fast-paced stream of images and hip-hop beats that capture the texture of their struggle and of the urban landscape in which it takes place.

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