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Documentary co-produced by Washington resident airs on NJTV tonight

A documentary co-produced by Washington Borough resident Robert Dickerson is scheduled to air on NJTV tonight and Thursday, June 6, according to a statement from Montclair University.

A recent graduate of Montclair State College, Dickerson co-produced a documentary film that followed the musical, cultural, and personal journeys of 24 students in the university's Vocal Accord as they sang their way through Europe in June 2012, the statement says.

The documentary, "American Voices: Montclair State University Vocal Accord's European Tour 2012," is a joint project between Montclair State University's School of Communication and Media and its John J. Cali School of Music. It airs today, June 3, at 10 p.m. and Thursday, June 6, at 4 a.m.

"American Voices," filmed during the Accord's 14-day European tour, is "a testament to the triumphs and fears, joys and pains and, most importantly, the unique musical and community bond that is fostered by the choral arts."

After performing in Vienna under the direction of Heather J. Buchanan, associate professor of music and director of choral activities, the Vocal Accord spent a week at Montclair State's international exchange partner institution, the University of Music and Performing Arts in Graz, Austria. There the singers participated in workshops and performed. The group's tour ended with a concert in the historic Chiesa Santa Maria dei Miracoli in Venice, Italy.

For Dickerson, co-producing "American Voices" was just a beginning.

"I'm planning on working for a television network or film company now that I have graduated," he said, "and I hope to keep making documentaries."

Watch the trailer online.

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