



Harlem Aria

Film Study Guide

Director: William Jennings

1999 | Fiction | 100 Minutes | USA | English | Unrated

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Synopsis: *Harlem Aria* is a comedic fable about a mentally disabled young man from Harlem who runs away from home to become an Opera singer and ends up homeless on the streets of New York. Harlem Aria asks some serious questions of the audience, with themes of what people do to chase after dreams and aspirations.

Post-Screening Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever befriended a bully?
2. What makes someone a friend and at what point do they become more than someone you know?
3. Have you ever taken advantage of a person or a situation?
4. Who would be the antagonist in the story?
5. What steps would you take to live our your dream?

6. There are thousands of people who live in the streets of Chicago. Have you ever thought how they got there and what choices they made?

7. What happens when you can't live out your dreams and how was this laid out in the film?