

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office

Joe Arpaio, Sheriff



MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF REFUSES TO GIVE PROTESTORS PUBLICITY

Demonstrators to Show Documentary Critical of Arpaio

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(Phoenix, AZ) According to published reports, protestors with the "Occupy Phoenix" movement will be showing an unauthorized documentary titled "Under Arpaio" tomorrow afternoon at the Civic Space Park during the planned "Occupy Phoenix 99% UnityFest."

This film takes a critical look into Sheriff Arpaio's enforcement of state and federal immigration laws and features interviews with local immigration activists and supportive elected politicians. "It seems that this Occupy Phoenix group is changing gears by going after this Sheriff," Arpaio says.

Event organizers expect "a couple hundred" of protestors to participate on Saturday. Arpaio recently stated to several Occupy Protestors that he did not have a problem with the protestors expressing themselves as long as they don't break the law. Sheriff Arpaio says, "If these people do break the law they will be going to my jails."

Typically, all inmate mug shots are posted on the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office website (www.mcso.org), where internet visitors can view criminal photos and vote for their favorite in the Mug Shot of the Day program. However with the Occupy protestors Arpaio states, "I will not provide extra publicity for these protestors who try to get arrested by posting their mug shots on my website at this time."

Recently Maricopa County Sheriff Deputies found documents encouraging people to become "Cop Killers" by shooting government officials who violate their civil rights. END

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