**Grown in Detroit**
*(Film Screening)*

**Date/Time:** *Wednesday, April 4, 10am – 11:30am*

On Wednesday April 4 from 10am-11:30am, the University of Michigan Detroit Center and Penny Stamps Lecture Series are proud to present the film, *Grown in Detroit*. The film screening and discussion includes complimentary admission and parking to all attendees.

Facilitated by the film creators Mascha and Manfred Poppenk, *Grown in Detroit* tells the story of Detroit’s Catherine Ferguson Academy. The Academy is one of only three schools in the United States that educates pregnant teens and young mothers on the importance of nutrition and family management skills.

The film is also about creating social, economic and environmental change. In a once thriving city, residents now struggle to find fresh produce. The Catherine Ferguson Academy is one of several urban agriculture plots in Detroit that yields fresh produce to city residents.

For more information on Grown in Detroit, visit: [www.grownindetroitmovie.com](http://www.grownindetroitmovie.com)

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**Detroit Center Opening Day Open House**

**Date/Time:** *Thursday, April 5, 9:30am – 4pm*

The University of Michigan Detroit Center is pleased to host its 2nd Annual Opening Day Open House, *Thursday, April 5, 2012 from 9:30am – 4pm*. This event includes complimentary admission, food, refreshments and parking to all attendees.

The Open House is an opportunity for the U-M and Detroit communities to partake in one of the city’s most cherished events, Opening Day of the Detroit Tigers.

Throughout the morning, the U-M Detroit Center welcomes everyone to tour the facility and learn about the entertaining and educational activities that go on throughout the year; all while enjoying giveaways, trivia, games and networking with other baseball fans. Throughout the morning, guests may also enjoy a tailgate style spread of hot dogs, hamburgers, potato chips and pop.

All those who are unable to attend the game itself are invited to stay and watch the game at the U-M Detroit Center on the high-definition video projection system.
Building from the Ground Up: A Discussion Among Organizers  
**Date/Time:** Thursday, April 5, 6pm-7:30pm

The SID Speaker Series concludes its winter 2012 semester with, *Building Detroit From the Ground Up: A Discussion Among Organizers.* This educational and informative discussion panel will take place on Thursday, April 5 from 6pm-7:30pm in the South Studio of the University of Michigan Detroit Center. Admission, light refreshments and free parking will be available to all attendees.

Detroit is a city rich with organizers: community, labor, religious, youth, immigrant and many more. This is largely because Detroit has been a movement city for much of its existence. Detroit's people learn from an early age that they have to organize themselves and others to get things done.

Detroiters make good things happen in their communities by organizing together. They may not always use the same tactics and strategies, or even carry the same political analysis of the world, but they always work hard to gather people together – collectively – to make a difference.

Moderated by Craig Regester, Associate Director of the U-M Semester in Detroit Program, come listen and engage with several different Detroit organizers. Learn from their experiences, ask questions, make suggestions and get involved.

Panelists include:
- **Marisela Garcia** – Alliance for Immigration Rights and Reform Workers Committee
- **Barb Ingalls** – Jobs with Justice
- **Marian Kramer** – Michigan Welfare Rights Organization
- **Mike Wimberley** – Friends of Detroit and Tri-County

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**Michigan’s Emergency Manager Law: Implications for Detroit**  
**Date/Time:** Monday, April 9, 6pm - 8pm

On Monday, April 9 from 6pm-8pm, the University of Michigan Detroit Center will host, *Michigan’s Emergency Manager Law: Implications for Detroit.* This event includes complimentary admission, parking and light refreshments.

Michigan’s new “Emergency Manager” law (Public Act 4 of 2011, the Local Government and School District Fiscal Accountability Act) has garnered national attention and ignited debate on fundamental issues of democratic governance.

Among the laws’ most controversial aspects is the transfer of power from local elected officials to unelected Emergency Managers; providing them the ability to make sweeping changes to local government, including the power to terminate collective bargaining agreements. Currently in the city of Detroit, this law is being taken into greater consideration given the ongoing budget crisis.

The panel discussion will examine the law’s impact on citizens, public employees and elected officials of Detroit.
Panelists include:

- **Eric Scorsone** - Economist and Extension Specialist, Michigan State University
- **Jack Lessenberry** - Metro Times, Michigan Radio and Wayne State University
- **Dale Thomson** - Professor of Political Science from UM-Dearborn and Director of the Institute for Local Government

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**Other Upcoming April Events:**

- **Work Detroit IP Exhibition** – *April 13*
- **Public Art in Detroit** – *April 20*
- **Sankofa Film Series: Sing Your Song** – *April 20*

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