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No Dinosaurs in Heaven

Schiller, Greta. *No Dinosaurs in Heaven*. New York: Jezebel Productions, 2010. HD, 70 min. https://vimeo.com/19369871.

Jezebel Productions' documentary *No Dinosaurs in Heaven* exposes the subtle, insidious ways in which science education is being hijacked by creationists, threatening the separation of church and state and dangerously undermining scientific literacy. The film takes a lively, enlightening look at the ongoing battle for America's scientific soul. Emmy Award-winning director and science educator Greta Schiller documents a visually stunning raft trip down the Grand Canyon, led by Dr. Eugenie Scott, Executive Director of the National Center for Science Education. The rafters debunk creationist explanations for the Canyon's formation and discuss the problem posed by creationists who earn science education degrees only to advocate anti-scientific beliefs in the classroom. The film exposes the fallacies in the "debate," manufactured by anti-science forces, that creationism is a valid scientific alternative to evolution. Schiller uses her own experience — with a graduate school biology professor who refused to teach evolution — to expose the insidious effect that so-called "creationist science" has had on science education. *No Dinosaurs in Heaven* intelligently argues that public education must steadfastly resist the encroachment of religion in the form of anti-evolution creationism, and that science literacy is crucial to a healthy democracy. (Source: Official Film Website)

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Further readings:

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• Official Film Website https://jezebelproductions.org/no-dinosaurs-in-heaven-store/

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