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James Lefevre Studios presents  
the World Premiere of  
*Amateur Skaters*  
at the Lobero Theatre  
Friday, October 22, 2021 at 7 PM

Santa Barbara, CA, October 4, 2021 – James Lefevre Studios presents the world premiere of *Amateur Skaters*, Friday, October 22, 2021 at 7 PM. The feature-length documentary, directed by one of the youngest filmmakers of the century at age fourteen, was shot on location in Santa Barbara County. Taking inspiration from films like *We Are Blood* (2015), Lefevre explores the world of skateboarding through the lens of four young skaters.

"When I saw how important skating is to so many people in the age range that *Amateur Skaters* focuses on, I felt a need to document from when they first started skating as 'amateurs', deepening their understanding and skill of skateboarding, building perseverance and self-confidence on their journey to becoming pro," says director Shemsu J. Lefevre. His goal is to bring positive awareness to the sport with this film by releasing to a wider audience than is standard for this type of documentary.

The film features local skaters Kai Tautrim, Rowan Brownlee, Kahlil Aguilar, and Isaac Relis, along with appearances by professional skateboarders, such as Andy Anderson. Pushing themselves to be the best they can, they endure many physical and emotional obstacles and grow as both skaters and people. The premiere will be streamed live online, followed by a series of three online events held during the week after the event, including Q&As with the cast and director, panel discussions, and commentaries.

Tickets for *Amateur Skaters* are on sale now at [Lobero.org](http://Lobero.org) and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. General Admission is \$30, Youth 17 and under is \$10. Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero Facility Fee; other fees may also apply.

*In an effort to create the safest possible environment for our guests, please note that patrons of all ages, including children 12 years old and younger, who plan to attend an event at the Lobero Theatre, must show proof of being fully vaccinated OR supply a negative Covid-19 medical test result (taken within 72 hours prior to each event), along with an official photo ID, before entering the venue. Masks are currently required indoors, regardless of vaccination status. The Lobero staff and ushers have all been fully vaccinated. We thank the Santa Barbara community for supporting the performing arts while we work hard to follow the most up-to-date guidelines for the Covid-19 pandemic and keep our audience members, staff, and performers safe.*

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