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Paulina Davis, Senior Advisor for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at New York Law School (NYLS), recently won the 2024 DocPitch Audience Award for her feature documentary, "The Co-op: The Kids of Dorie Miller." The award—a \$45,000 prize—recognizes and helps fund feature-length documentary projects that are currently in production. The DocPitch competition is part of the annual DocLands Film Festival, which is presented by the California Film Institute.

"The Co-op: The Kids of Dorie Miller" follows Davis, a former education law/disability rights attorney, as she uncovers her family's history at New York City's first unsegregated housing co-op in the context of the current affordable housing crisis.

"We are thrilled to have won DocPitch's Audience Choice Award," said Davis. "This award will help us to expand our archival research and keep filming this summer. We're grateful to New York Law School for providing us with space to film interviews. At a time when books are being banned, we're honored to be shining a light on an important part of American history and uplifting the contributions of a little-known Black community.