

We always liked to entertain, make people laugh and so forth. Even as children growing up in Brooklyn, we would get out old recorders and make up our own shows. Our interest in film was born of that very reason, we liked to entertain. Watching TV we had never seen a documentary on stickball so we decided to do one of our own. What better way to entertain then to do a film on a sport that was played in Brooklyn ? We thought the idea would be funny and at the same time informative about the street sport played in Brooklyn.

When we decided to tackle the idea of making a film about stickball, we realized it was not be going to be easy. The game itself is a legend here in Brooklyn and is not played as much anymore. Getting the information on how the game was played was a bit difficult. I will explain. In the film we start off with the introduction of the players. All are fictional but what they say is

somewhat fact. It is true that every street played by different rules and it was difficult to keep track of what rules were played where.

But through talking to people in the neighborhood and asking what they remember about stickball helped to make it clearer. Filming this film was not an impossible task. In fact many of the older actors we used were from the neighborhood and were eager to participate. The younger actors were from the neighborhood as well.

## *When Broomsticks Were King*

*A documentary*

The film shows the comical aspect of the sport as well as the togetherness within the community.

Growing up in Brooklyn we have seen stickball played but not really participated. It was a sport that was a big part of Brooklyn. We stick to Brooklyn and filming in the neighborhood we grew up in because it is what we like to do. We will continue filming in Brooklyn to show everyone what a great place this is.

