



ARTIVIST FILM FESTIVAL VISITS GEORGETOWN !

“Merging Art & Activism For Global Consciousness”

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HOSTED BY: Georgetown Amnesty International Group
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“ARTIVIST” is the 1st international film festival dedicated to addressing **Human Rights, Children's Advocacy, Animal Rights** and **Environmental Preservation**. Our mission is to strengthen the voice of international activist artists - "Artivists" - while raising public awareness for social global causes.

Since 2004, Artivist has screened more than **250 international activist films from 52 countries, and has reached more than 10 Million people with its Public Relations Campaigns**. Filmmakers from around the world unite at the annual Artivist Film Festival to address the importance of Art and Activism in our global community.

■ GEORGETOWN FILM PROGRAM ■

Tues, Feb 19TH - 7:00PM: Hope • A Life of Death • Esperanza Means Hope • Faces of Poverty

HOPE • Director: Catherine Margerin • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Short Film - Animation: Hope illustrates the cause and effect of Life out of balance, and suggests a new path to peace and harmony. Appealing to a universal audience, 'Hope' is a collage of music, sound and images, rich with layers of meaning.

A LIFE OF DEATH • Director: Dawn Westlake • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Short Film: Wars have waged all over the globe under the proclamation that conflict ultimately leads to peace. “A Life of Death” presents the costs of this irony by poetically answering the question: What is the price of lasting peace?

ESPERANZA MEANS HOPE • Director: Ricardo Preve

Short Film: In the Dominican Republic many Haitian children have resigned their Creole names for fictitious names in order to survive. Two American college students travel to the Dominican Republic to work with Haitian children, teaching them to recover their identity and pride.

FACES OF POVERTY • Director: Gerard Straub

Short Film: Meet the poor people of Philadelphia. Detroit and Los Angeles; learn their names, hear their stories, see their faces. “Faces of Poverty” is a compelling portrait of poverty in America; where so many live in suffocating squalor in the shadow of astounding affluence.

Tues, Feb 19TH - 9:30PM: Algalita: Plastic Debris • Drop into the Ocean • Anthropology 101 • ACI: Animal Cruelty Investigations • Nonviolence Includes Animals

ALGALITA: PLASTIC DEBRIS • Director: ChannelG.tv

Short Film: A serious challenge facing all of us today is the disappearance of clean water and the effect that has on life in the sea, and the effect it will eventually have on all life. How bad is the situation? Worse than most people imagine.

DROP INTO THE OCEAN • Director: Maarten Van Rouvery

Short Film: The oceans give life to our planet and to us, but in return we treat them far less kindly. From top to bottom our oceans are in crisis in large part due to industrial over-fishing, and this is what we can do to help!

ANTHROPOLOGY 101 • Director: Wayne Brittenden • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Short Film: In the future, a lecture given in a classroom on an alien planet describes the end of a little known planet called ... “Earth.”

ACI: ANIMAL CRUELTY INVESTIGATIONS • Director: Lorri Bauston

Short Film: ACI is working to change the status quo, by conducting cruelty investigations of farm animal facilities, working with human enforcement agencies to stop the abuses, and rescuing abused and neglected farm animals.

NONVIOLENCE INCLUDES ANIMALS • Director: PETA

Short Film: PETA President Ingrid Newkirk asks us to open our minds to the idea that the way we treat animals is a reflection of who we are and helps us determine whether we've grasped a basic problem in resolving conflict: a lack of empathy for others who are not like us.

Wed, Feb 20TH - 8:30PM: Bid 'Em In • Believe • Zeitgeist

BID 'EM IN • Director: Neal Sopata • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Short Film - Animation: A young woman's humanity is cruelly rejected as she is placed on the auction block of a small southern town in pre-Civil War America.

BELIEVE • Director: Synthian Sharp • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Short Film – Music Video: An enthralling music video raising awareness for various issues from human rights to animal advocacy. In short... think... feel... and then... Scream baby!

ZEITGEIST • Director: Peter Joseph • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Feature Length Film: "Zeitgeist" was created in the hope that it will inspire people to start looking at the world from a more critical perspective, and to relay the understanding that very often things are not what the population at large thinks they are. The true understanding of events is crucial to the development, awareness and spirituality of the human condition.

Thur, Feb 21ST - 10:00PM: Iraq: A Tale of Censorship • Occupation 101

IRAQ: A TALE OF CENSORSHIP • Director: Ryan Poland

Short Film: Enhanced media coverage of the War in Iraq is leading to wide-spread Media censorship. This film shares one Soldier's experience in Iraq and the media censorship that he saw ... and was a part of.

OCCUPATION 101 • Director: Sufyan and Abdullah Omeish • ARTIVIST AWARD WINNER

Feature Length Film: A comprehensive analysis of the facts and hidden truths surrounding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Includes rare footage and thought-provoking commentaries from leading scholars, peace activists, journalists, and religious leaders.

Fri, Feb 22ND - 3:30PM: The Truth About Silence • Wonderful, Wonderful • Esperanza Means Hope • Drop into the Ocean • Nonviolence Includes Animals

THE TRUTH ABOUT SILENCE • Director: Theodore Martland

Short Film: One in 5 girls will be sexually assaulted before the age of 18, and a shocking 88% percent of these cases go unreported! Jessie's story is real and attests to the tragedy that can arise from staying silent. This documentary inspires victims to speak up and get help.

WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL • Director: Trey Chace

Short Film: Sarah Heer, 16, chooses anorexia to fill the void in her life. Willing to risk her friends, her family, and even her life for her new disease, she finds that in the end, perfection leaves her still... empty.

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