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NOVEMBER 12-17 2019 www.justicefilmfestival.ca



FREE ADMISSION

FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 12

Central Library

Assholes: A Theory Dir. John Walker

2019, 81 min.

Investigating the breeding grounds of contemporary 'asshole culture', this film explores the perverse appeal of assholes, and why they thrive.



NOVEMBER 14

Sex, Drugs and Bicycles

Dir. Jonathan Blank

2019, 90 min.

Is having month-long double-paid vacations, no fear of homelessness, and universal healthcare the niahtmare we've been warned about?



NOVEMBER 13

Performance Hall. **Central Library**

Trumphobia: What **Both Sides Fear**

Dir. Carolina Sosa 2019, 70 min.

In the midst of Trump's politically dividing rhetoric, Trumphobia attempts to unite a country through empathy and compassion.



NOVEMBER 15

River Park Church Auditorium

The Sacred Place Where Life Begins

Dir. Kristin Gates & Jeremy Là Zelle 2019, 25 min.

Discover an incredible ecosystem in Alaska's Arctic Refuge protected by the Gwich'in Nation for more than 25,000 years, now threatened by development.

The Whale and the Raven

Dir. Mirjam Leuze 2019, 101 min.

A story of humans and nonhumans, united by a deep sea, and separated by conflicting plans for its

NOVEMBER 16 River Park Church Auditorium

One Child Nation

Dir. Nanfu Wang & Jialing Zhang 2019, 89 min.

China's one child policy ended in 2015, but the ripple effect continues. as shocking human rights violations persist.

Conviction

Dir. Ariella Pahlke, Nance Ackerman & Teresa McInnes 2019, 78 min.

Empowered with cameras and the freedom to narrate their own stories, a group of incarcerated women invites us to witness their triumphs and struggles.

Because We Are Girls

Dir. Baljit Sangra 2019, 85 min.

Three sisters, sexually abused in their childhood, confront their traumatic past in an effort to protect the next generation.



THE MARDA LOOP JUSTICE FILM

Since 2006 the Marda Loop Justice Film Festival has brought top social justice documentary films to more than 30,000 people in the Calgary area and via satellite film festivals across Canada. The festival is held annually in November. We also present quarterly justREEL film screenings. All screenings are followed by discussions led by specially selected conversation leaders who are familiar with the issues raised in each film screened.

Thanks to our Partners, Sponsors and Supporters, all screenings are held at no cost to viewers. The Marda Loop Justice Film Festival is a non-profit society supported through viewers, businesses and non-profit donations. We also value the important contributions made by numerous volunteers who help bring the festival to life each year.

Exiled

Dir. Shahida Tulaganova ≥ 2019, 75 min.

Explores the roots of the increasing violence in Burma, contrasting the views of radical Buddhist monks, the militia, and Rohingya refugees.

The Need to GROW

Dir. Rob Herring & Ryan Wirick 2018, 95 min.

In a race against the end of farmable soil, three individuals fight for change in the industry of agricultural food production, calling for a revolution.



NOVEMBER 17

Diver Park Church Auditorium

Six Primrose

Dir. John Hillis 2019, 72 min.

Access to healthy food and a social network has a dramatic effect on people's mental and emotional well-being – this film chronicles the impact.

Burkinabè Bounty

Dir. lara Lee 2018, 37 min.

A look at how the Burkinabè people are using creative tactics to regain control of their food, seeds, and future from corporate agriculture.



My Body is Not a Weapon

Dir. Platon 2019, 38 min.

At the intersection of war and peace, a noble doctor and courageous survivors emerge as heroes and thought leaders for civil and human rights.



Standing on the Line

Dir. Paul-Émile d'Entremont 2019, 81 min.

Breaking the code of silence that prevails in sport, this film documents the battles waged by gay athletes in Canada.

Shattered Dreams: Sex Trafficking in America

Dir. Bill Wisneski 2019, 55 min.

Sex trafficking is now a multi-billion-dollar underground industry in America. Featuring heart-wrenching survivor stories, this film asks: "Will we continue to let this thrive?"



VENUES

Patricia A. Whelan Performance Hall, Central Library 800 3 St. SE Calgary, AB

Plaza Theatre 1133 Kensington Rd. NW Calgary, AB

River Park Church Auditorium 3818 - 14A Street SW Calgary, AB

VISIT THE PEACE VILLAGE

Presented in partnership with Ploughshares Calgary, the Peace Village is an information fair and ritisians presented in partnership with Ploughston about social issues and offering unique goods from artisians closed around the world and from those close to home. Details available at: www.justicefilmfestival.ca.

PEACE VILLAGE HOURS

Friday November 15 | 6:3 Saturday November 16 | 11: Sunday November 17 | 11:

6:30PM - 8:00PM 11:00AM - 7:30PM 11:00AM - 5:00PM



FOOD SERVICE

Food by Forage available for purchase all weekend, including vegetarian and vegan options.



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The Marda Loop Justice Film Festival uses the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals as a framework for selecting all documentaries screened by the Festival.



































