Sunday 10th 1:30pm

MURUNDAK: Songs of Freedom



Written, Filmed & Directed by NATASHA GADD & RHYS GRAHAM 85 minutes, AUSTRALIA, 2011 A DAYBREAK FILMS PRODUCTION Produced by PHILIPPA CAMPEY Producer: NATASHA GADD Associate Producer: SARAH BOND

Journeys into the heart of Aboriginal protest music following The Black Arm Band, a gathering of some of Australia's finest Indigenous musicians, as they take to the road with their songs of resistance and freedom.

ERDE, HÖLLE, HIMMEL (EARTH, HELL, HEAVEN)

Writer and Director: PENNIE HUNT German language with English subtitles, 13 minutes 50 secs, GERMANY, 2014, Punakaiki Productions, Funded by FF Bayen Producer: STEFAN RÖSCH Director of Photography: **BENJAMIN STROBEL** Costume and Set Design: ANGELIKA KIRCHBICHLER Editing: PENNIE HUNT, **BENJAMIN STROBEL** Music and Sound Design: MAXIMILIAN MAIER

"Two years ago I paid a visit to the refugee asylum which features in my film Erde, Hölle, Himmel (Earth, Hell, Heaven). This 'end-station' for asylum seekers from the world over is located in the remote village of Breitenberg in the Bavarian Forest. As I walked around the premises and talked to the refugees there, I was struck by the stark contrast between the limitations of their lives within the walls of the asylum and the incredible beauty of the surroundings beyond it. The idyllic village is framed by every window in the asylum, yet the life it promises is so very far from its inhabitants' reach." Pennie Hunt.

THE PA BOYS

Friday 8th August 8pm

ATARAKIHI: THE CHILDREN OF PARIHAKA

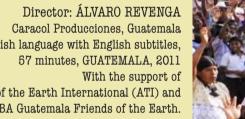


Director: PAORA TE OTI TAKARANGI JOSEPH **Co-director: JANINE MARTIN** In English and Māori, with English subtitles, 65 minutes, NEW ZEALAND, 2012 Producers/Screenplay: JANINE MARTIN, PAORA TE OTI TAKARANGI JOSEPH Executive producer: GAYLENE PRESTON Photography: PAORA TE OTI TAKARANGI JOSEPH, DUANE PHILLIPS Editors: SIMON PRICE, TRACEY EGERTON

"This film is dedicated to the memory of all who have carried the kaupapa of passive resistance taught by Te Whiti o Rongomai and Tohu Kakahi."

NZ Herald's Peter Calder described the film as a "modest and affecting road trip doco", following a group of Taranaki children on a bus trip to visit the places their ancestors, passive resistors from Parihaka in the 1880s, were imprisoned and forced to labour in. The narration is by the children, from their writing, poetry, song and art, expressed in a workshop after the journey.

EL ORO O LA VIDA (GOLD OR LIFE)



Spanish language with English subtitles, Friends of the Earth International (ATI) and CEIBA Guatemala Friends of the Earth.



During the last few years, mining multinational corporations are invading Central America.

Goldcorp is an example of this, a Canadian mining corporation with the greatest territorial expansion in the region, and we're already seeing the results of its operations: contamination, disease, community division, and the criminalization of social protest. In Honduras and El Salvador, indignation and organization are rising. In Guatemala, through Community Consultations, more then 50 Mayan communities have decided to stop the expansion of mining. The struggle is just beginning.

Saturday 9th August 1:30pm

A BITTER TASTE OF FREEDOM



Director, Writer and Cinematographer: MARINA GOLDOVSKAYA Russian language with English Subtitles. 88 minutes, RUSSIA, 2011 A GOLDFILMS PRODUCTION ALMA MATER PRODUCTIONS, MOSCOW DIXIT INTERNATIONAL, STOCKHOLM Producer: MALCOLM DIXELIUS Co-Producer: MARINA GOLDOVSKAYA Line-Producer: GEORGE HERZFELD

A very personal film that follows the life and journalism career of Anna Politkovskaya who at age 48 was assassinated for simply doing her job

"In my story politics is left on the side. Although inherently political, this film is not a political pamphlet. The Russian State is a constant menacing presence, looming large in the background." Marina Goldovskaya.

Sunday 10th 8pm



Writer & Director: HIMIONA GRACE 93 minutes, Drama, NEW ZEALAND, 2014 **Producers:** AINSLEY GARDINER, MINA MATHIESON Starring: FRANCIS KORA, MATARIKI WHATARAU, JUANITA HEPI, TOLA NEWBURY, ROIMATA FOX, CALVIN TUTEAO, TROY KINGI Music: WARREN MAXWELL Cinematographer: REWA HARRE **Editor: SIMON PRICE**

"It is about 'life, death and fu*king good music" runs the tagline to this feature film. It follows a Wellington band playing the pubs of the East Coast and Northland, as they head for Cape Reinga. On the road to Te Rerenga Wairua the boys go on a roots journey that is both musical (Pā Boy Danny is played by Francis Kora) and personal (exploring mateship, whānau, whakapapa). The debut from writer/direc-

AL BIER (THE WELL)



Director, Producer, Writer: AHMAD HABASH Arabic and Hebrew with English Subtitles. 10 minutes 55 secs, PALESTINE, 2011 A Jerusalem First Films Production Co-Writer: ABDULLAH H. ERAKAT Producer: ENAS I. MUTHAFFAR Cinematographer: ISSA FREIJ Editor: RABAB HAJ YEHYA

A short drama set during the 1948 war in Palestine and just one day after a massacre which shocked the world (Deir Yassin), an Old man encounters a young man and a boy running for their lives. The Old man, who is more familiar with the area, leads the way, as it is discovered that the three Palestinians share the common interest of leaving their homeland for a safer place.

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