



CALENDAR ADVISORY

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Social Justice Film Festival returns with #HopeDemocracy theme

WHAT: What's the condition of democracy in the world today? Who belongs? How are people shaping and defending it? Although times are turbulent, the 2018 Social Justice Film Festival seeks to find the bright moments. The festival will showcase films and people who embody hope and resilience during today's whiplash times.

This year's screenings will fill in the national and local picture on immigration, Native American rights, Black Lives Matter, prisoner justice, and more. The festival will host several screenings with community groups and activists, including:

Black Lives Matter: On October 6, the Northwest African American Museum will co-host a day of films, including the documentary *My People Are Rising*. This film profiles the story of Seattle activist Aaron Dixon who dedicated his life to revolution and founded the Seattle chapter of the Black Panther Party in 1968 at age 19. The Black Panther Party celebrates its 50th anniversary this year.

Native American Voices: On October 13, the Duwamish Longhouse will co-host a block of films on Native American and indigenous rights. Visitors will tour the Duwamish Longhouse and Cultural Center and learn the living history of the Duwamish people—on whose ancestral land Seattle stands today.

WHO: Presented by the Social Justice Film Festival with support from CineCity and Occupy.com, Tulalip Tribes, Meaningful Movies, Seattle Office of Arts & Culture, ACLU, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, Unemployment Law Project, ProForum, Books to Prisoners, PopUpJustice, The Stranger, KBCS FM, University of Washington (UW) Law, Societies & Justice Program, and UW School of Social Work.

WHEN: October 5-14, 2018

WHERE: Duwamish Longhouse and Cultural Center, Northwest African American Museum, Seattle University, University Christian Church, and UW Ethnic Cultural Center

COST: Tickets are \$10-15. Student and group discounts, festival pass pricing, and special-event fees will be listed at www.socialjusticefilmfestival.org.

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Films are available for press preview beginning September 20. Festival logo and film photos available upon request.

ABOUT US:

The Social Justice Film Festival showcases bold and creative films on issues that shape our humanity. Visit socialjusticefilmfestival.org.