

**TAKE ONE**  
**ACTION!**  
film festival

**FESTIVAL**  
**PROGRAMME**  
**2019**



**TAKE A SEAT**

**TAKE A STAND**

**ABERDEEN**  
**15 - 17 NOV 2019**

Celebrating the people and the films that  
are changing the world.

**8** BELMONT  
FILMHOUSE

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FRI 15 NOV

## PUSH | 20:30 (AGES 12+)



Fredrik Gertten | Sweden, 2019 | 92 min | English, Spanish with English subtitles



**Landlords without faces, apartments without renters... Housing prices are skyrocketing in cities across the world, but incomes are not pushing long-term residents out.**

This is not gentrification, it is a relatively new economic reality: housing as a financial product, a place to park money. This incisive documentary follows Leilani Farha, UN Special Rapporteur on the right to adequate housing, as she meets with the residents, mayors, campaigners and economists fighting to reclaim our streets.

Presented in association with Oxfam Scotland.

SAT 16 NOV

## EVERYTHING MUST FALL | 15:15 (AGES 15+)

Rehad Desai | South Africa, Netherlands, Belgium | 2018 | 85min | English



**This urgent documentary chronicles the rise of the #FeesMustFall student movement, which ignited into one of South Africa's most militant national revolts.**

Director Rehad Desai captures the urgency of the movement's demand for free, decolonised education, which morphed into a wider rallying cry for social justice: fees must fall, outsourcing must fall, poverty must fall, racism must fall - everything must fall.

Presented in association with UNISON Scotland and Africa in Motion Film Festival.

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## SURVIVORS | 17:45 (AGES 15+)

Hawa Essuman, Anjali Nayar | Canada, South Africa, Kenya | 2017 | 80min | English & Krio w. English subtitles



**Through the remarkable stories of three individuals at the epicentre of Sierra Leone's Ebola epidemic, *Survivors* chronicles the unfolding of one of the most acute public health crises of the modern era.**

Director Arthur Pratt, a filmmaker and a pastor, inevitably unearths political tensions that still linger from the country's decade-long civil war, yet what also emerges is a heartfelt tribute to the bravery and humanity of the health workers on the frontlines of a terrifying battle.

Presented in association with Christian Aid.

SAT 16 NOV

## SCHEME BIRDS | 20:20 (AGES 15+)



Ellen Fiske & Ellinor Hallin | UK, Sweden | 2018 | 88 min | English with English subtitles



**In the Motherwell housing estate where she grew up, teenager Gemma says scheme birds like her either get “locked up or knocked up,” so perhaps her path is set.**

As Gemma’s life twists unexpectedly, *Scheme Birds* follows her and the people in her life: her grandfather (who raised her after her mother left), her boyfriend Pat, her unlucky best friend Amy, and her neighbour JP.

Lyrical yet unflinching in its gaze, this heartbreakingly tender documentary asks what causes a person to change—and whether it’s ever too late to do so.

SUN 17 NOV

## SOYALISM | 15:10 (AGES 15+)

Enrico Parenti | Stefano Liberti | Italy | 2018 | 65min | English | Plus Shorts



**Food production has increasingly become huge business for a handful of giant corporations. How do we re-prioritise workers’ rights, animal welfare and environmental sustainability?**

*Soyalism* lays bare the many land rights and labour rights violations at the heart of the pork industry, offering an incisive overview of a deliberately complex, pan-national system, while providing an urgent reminder of the crucial role workers, consumers and campaigners can play in solidarity with communities across the world, who are fighting to protect their rights.

The screening will be preceded by a buffet, freshly prepared by Slow Food Aberdeen, served in the Belmont Filmhouse Café Bar from 13:45. (Free admission with your cinema ticket.)

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## THE FEMINISTER | 17:45 (AGES 12+)



Viktor Nordenskiöld | Sweden | 2018 | 93 min | Swedish with English subtitles



**This gripping portrait of politician Margot Wallström, chronicling her first four years in office as Sweden’s Minister for Foreign Affairs, provides remarkable access to the corridors of power.**

A passionate advocate for a feminist foreign policy, Wallström proves a defiantly outspoken presence on the international stage and soon faces death threats and intimidation. At a time when so much of our political landscape is dominated by brash (male) egos, witnessing such a skilled diplomat’s intelligence and determination feels like a radically hopeful act.

Presented in association with Engender.

# WORLD-CHANGING CINEMA

Take One Action – Scotland’s global change cinema project – returns to Aberdeen to premiere the most acclaimed international documentaries focusing on social and environmental justice.

With the state of our planet – and the interactions between some of its inhabitants – sending many of us into a pit of despair, our screenings and events offer a much-needed opportunity to understand, celebrate and harness our power for positive change.

The films we present do not shy away from stark realities, yet there is joy and inspiration to be found in the commitment, resilience and solidarity at the heart of the stories we share.

The films we screen and the conversations we foster do more than open eyes and minds: they are a direct invitation to reshape our world for the better – right here, right now.

Join us to celebrate the people and the movies that are changing the world.

Take a seat. Take a stand.

## HOW TO BOOK

All screenings will be taking place at Belmont Filmhouse 49 Belmont Street, AB10 1JS

Advance booking recommended via [belmontfilmhouse.com](http://belmontfilmhouse.com), in person or on 01224 343 500

**Ticket prices:** £10.50 / £8.50 concs  
£5.50 under 25 (with ID)

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## BEYOND THE SCREEN: WIDENING THE CONVERSATION

**Stay with us after the films:** all screenings will be followed by inclusive audience conversations – an opportunity to respond and share ideas for local action.

**AD-FREE** Thanks to support from our audiences, all our screenings are shown without adverts. If you want to help us stick to what matters, you can donate too: visit [takeoneaction.org.uk/give-take](http://takeoneaction.org.uk/give-take).

**Please take your seats in the cinema at the advertised time.**

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## ABOUT US

Take One Action nurtures communal exploration of the stories, ideas and questions at the heart of positive social change. Through film screenings, conversation and enquiry, we bring people together to inspire a fairer, more sustainable and more fulfilling world, in Scotland and beyond our borders. Come, take part, and be inspired.

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