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

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FRI 22 NOV

FACING THE DRAGON | 20:00 (AGES 12+)



Sedika Mojadidi | USA, Afghanistan, Australia, Germany | 2018 | 80 min | Afghan Persian with English subtitles



Afghan-American filmmaker Sedika Mojadidi crafts an intimate portrait of two awe-inspiring women: Nilofar, a member of parliament, and Shakila, a television journalist.

With recent gains for women and the country's fragile democracy hanging in the balance, *Facing the Dragon* pays tribute to its protagonists' determination to change their country from within – and to the energy women the world over are pouring into addressing power imbalance.

Presented in association with Engender and Christian Aid.

SAT 23 NOV

GODS OF MOLENBEEK | 14:00 (AGES 8+)



Reetta Huhtanen | Finland | 2019 | 72 min | Finnish, French, Spanish, Arabic with English subtitles



Does God exist? What happens when we die?

In a district of Brussels rocked by terrorist attacks and perceived as a hotbed of radical Islamism, two six-year-old children seek answers to life's big questions. Finno-Chilean Aatos lives in the same apartment block as Amine, whose family originate from Morocco; their daily lives, though markedly different, are shaped by this ethnically diverse neighbourhood. This lyrical documentary offers rare insight into friendship, identity and, above all, what brings us together.

Plus short: *Import* (Ena Sendjarević | Netherlands | 2017 | 17 min)

THE TIME OF FORESTS | 17:00 (AGES 8+)



François-Xavier Drouet | France | 2018 | 103min | French with English subtitles



A living forest or a green desert? Tomorrow's landscape will be defined by the choices we make today.

As the symbol of authentic, wild nature, forests across Europe are undergoing an unprecedented phase of industrialisation. Changing forest management practices, intensive agricultural models and privatisation – supported by heavy mechanisation, monoculture, fertilisers and pesticides – are compounded by a loss of traditional know-how. Through interviews with rangers, loggers, forestry commission officials, sawmill operators and land rights campaigners in France, *The Time of Forests* invites the viewer on a journey to the heart of industrial forestry – and its alternatives..

SAT 23 NOV

GHOST FLEET | 20:00 (AGES 15+)

Shannon Service & Jeffrey Waldron | USA | 2018 | 90 min | Thai, Bahasa Indonesia, Khmer, English with English subtitles



What does modern-day slavery look like - and are we, as consumers, complicit in perpetuating it?

Combining interviews with dramatically shot re-enactments, *Ghost Fleet* follows a Bangkok-based activist who fights death threats and corruption to rescue fishermen trafficked into slavery on Thai fishing boats – and help them obtain justice.

Presented in association with Oxfam Scotland.

SUN 24 NOV

EATING UP EASTER | 14:00 (AGES 8+)

Sergio Mata'u Rapu | USA | 2018 | 75 min | English, Spanish, Rapa'nui with English subtitles



In a cinematic letter to his son, native Rapa Nui (Easter Island) filmmaker Sergio Mata'u Rapu crafts a global wake-up call from the remote Pacific.

In the face of mass tourism, rapid development and mounting amounts of waste, the descendants of the ancient statue builders are seeking to recycle ancient traditions in a bid for environmental sustainability. *Eating up Easter* presents a rousing tribute to the role of community engagement, arts and creativity in driving positive social change.

Plus short: *Lost World* (Kalyanee Mam | Cambodia | 2018 | 16 min)

ANTHROPOCENE: THE HUMAN EPOCH | 17:00 (AGES 12+)

Jennifer Baichwal, Nicholas de Pencier, Edward Burtynsky | Canada | 2018 | 87 min | English, Russian, Italian, German, Mandarin, Cantonese with English subtitles



This stunning follow-up to *Manufactured Landscapes* and *Watermark* offers a cinematic meditation on the way human activity has reshaped the Earth, documenting our massive reengineering of the planet's surface in astonishing scale and perspective.

Spanning numerous countries, *Anthropocene* lays bare the gashes, wounds and irreparable marks of industrialisation and extraction, revealing how our mania for conquest has created a global epidemic.

Plus short: *Hybrids* (Florian Brauch, Matthieu Pujol, Kim Tailhades, Yohan Thireau, Romain Thirion | France | 2017 | 6 min)

WORLD-CHANGING CINEMA

Take One Action – Scotland's global change cinema project – returns to Inverness 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.

Meet the woman fighting to abolish modern slavery in the Thai fishing industry, the female politician refusing to give up on her dreams of a better democracy in Afghanistan, the Easter Islanders celebrating creativity and sustainability...

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 **Eden Court** Bishop's Road, Inverness IV3 5SA

Advance booking recommended via eden-court.co.uk, in person or on 01463 234 234

Ticket prices: £7 / £5 concs

Festival pass: watch all 6 films for £35 / £25 concs.



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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.

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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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