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FESTIVAL PROGRAMME 2017



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*Want to change the world but not sure where
to start? This festival will rouse you into action*

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FRI 17 NOV

Thank You for the Rain | 20:30 (Ages 8+)

Julia Dahr, co-directed by Kisilu Musya | UK, Norway, Kenya | 2016 | 85min | English



A moving portrait of resilience on the frontlines of climate change.

From droughts to flash floods, Kenyan farmer Kisilu Musya has been documenting the effects of extreme weather on his community for years.

Determined to stop climate change in its tracks, he heads all the way to the UN Climate summit. But will anyone listen? Faced with international leaders' inertia and arrogance, Kisilu strengthens his resolve to protect the planet and the soil which every farmer – and all of us – depend on.

Join us after the film to explore food sustainability and climate justice.

SAT 18 NOV

Bending the Arc | 13:00 (Ages 12+)

Kief Davidson, Pedro Kos | USA | 102min | English, Haitian Creole, Spanish & Kinyarwanda with English subtitles.



This extraordinarily inspiring film documents a quest for social justice that sparked a global health revolution.

Committed to improving access to medicine in some of the poorest regions on the planet, a fledgling group of health advocates unexpectedly defeated tuberculosis in 1980s Haiti and Peru; formed an alliance with HIV/AIDS activists and challenged the World Health Organisation's neo-colonial policies. Their community-based approach is celebrated in this stirring, emphatic rebuke to global inequality.

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A Revolution in Four Seasons | 15:30 (PG)

Jessie Deeter | USA | 2016 | 88min | French, English and Arabic with English subtitles



Four years in the lives of two Tunisian women as they seek to shape their country's nascent democracy in the post-revolution years.

Journalist Emna Ben Jemaa envisions a country governed by free speech and political accountability; Jawhara Ettis longs for a Tunisian constitution firmly embedded in Islamic principles. Both grapple with how women are treated in their society – while learning to balance work, motherhood, religion and politics. Through their intertwined stories, *A Revolution in Four Seasons* captures their remarkable determination.

Join us after the film to explore the role of women in politics, in Tunisia, Scotland and beyond.

PLUS SHORT: *The Good Fight* (Chrisann Hessing, Canada, 2017, 7:43min)

SAT 18 NOV

To End a War | 18:05 (Ages 15+)

Marc Silver | USA, Colombia, UK | 90min | Spanish with English subtitles



Can a peace 52 years in the making last?

After five decades of violence, the Colombian government and the FARC entered into peace talks in 2012. They faced formidable obstacles, from the rehabilitation of guerilla fighters into civil society to the refusal of many Colombians to forgive the atrocities committed by all parties.

Gripping and deeply moving, *To End a War* combines stunning cinematography with fascinating interviews, offering unprecedented access to the highest levels of power on both sides of the conflict.

Join us after the film to explore conflict resolution and what it takes for a nation of 50 million to move from hatred to forgiveness.

SUN 19 NOV

Disturbing the Peace | 15:30 (Ages 12+)

Stephen Apkon, Andrew Young | USA | 2016 | 87min | Hebrew, Arabic and English, with English subtitles



Compelling portrait of ex-IDF soldiers and ex-PLO fighters coming together to embrace and advocate for a peaceful resolution to the Israel-Palestine conflict.

As they find the courage to move beyond entrenched hatred and distrust, the "Combatants for Peace" seek to re-claim a space for civic engagement, rooted in dialogue. At a time of increasing polarisation, this is one of the bravest, most powerful examples of ordinary citizens reaching out to one another across seemingly insurmountable barriers. It offers a clear-eyed, courageous message of hope in a context that has for too long been devoid of any.

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Free Lunch Society | 18:00 (Ages 12+)

Christian Tod | Austria/Germany | 2017 | 95min | English & German with English subtitles



Spanning contemporary and historic perspectives, this playful documentary brings to life what could be one of the most radical changes to our lives.

Long perceived as a utopian dream, the concept of Universal Basic Income has been touted by entrepreneurs, economists and philosophers from across the political spectrum as the next embodiment of true democracy, that could revolutionise the welfare state – but would everyone be better off?

Join us after the film as we explore the changes UBI may bring to Scotland.

PLUS SHORT: *The Noise of Grey* Stéphane Aubier, Vincent Patar | Belgium, France | 2016 | 3:10min.

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.

Our specially curated programme of documentaries brings you the best international cinema on the most urgent issues of our time. Whether celebrating a Kenyan farmer's extraordinary determination as he battles the causes and impacts of climate change (*Thank You for the Rain*) or delving into transformational efforts towards peace in Israel and Palestine (*Disturbing the Peace*) or in Colombia (*To End a War*); whether giving voice to two Tunisian women's starkly contrasting hopes for their country's post-Arab Spring future (*A Revolution in Four Seasons*) or exploring a concept that could be one of the most radical changes to our lives (*Free Lunch Society*), these films will immerse you in stories of hope, solidarity, and resilience.

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

HOW TO BOOK

All screenings will be taking place at:



49 Belmont Street, AB10 1JS

Advance booking recommended via:
belmontfilmhouse.com, in person or on
01224 343 500.

Ticket prices:
£10 / £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.

Want to share more films like these within your community? Ask us about our Locals initiative to find out how we can support you.

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.

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



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ABOUT US

Take One Action are a Scotland-based, independent charity (SC041430), created in 2008. We nurture 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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