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New Haven International Film Festival & Human Rights Summit

**125+ Films From More Two Dozen Countries, Workshops,
Panels, Keynote & Parties**

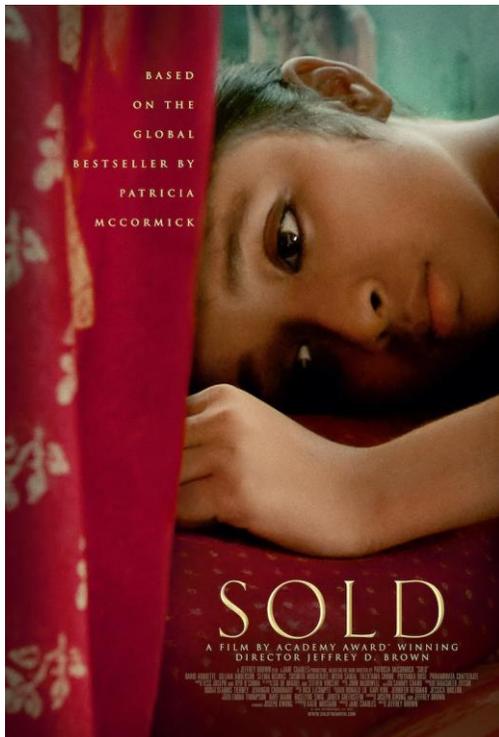
November 12-14, 2015

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FREE PARKING at Gateway Community College

Festival Entrance: Corner of George St & Church Street

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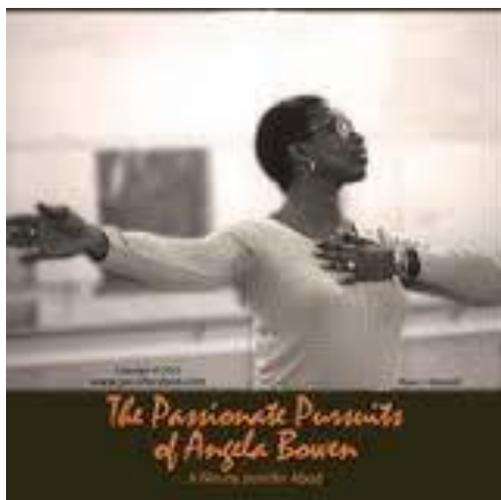
November 12, the New Haven International Film Festival returns to downtown New Haven and has grown from two days and nights in 2014 to three! And, as with past festivals, there will be a

block of films and commentaries dealing with important social issues and filmmaking visual story telling styles. Past programs have focused: Mental Health, Central European Filmmakers, Learning Disabilities, Latin American Filmmakers, Environmental and Corporate Greed to name a few. At this year's festival, NHIFF producers have partnered with [Shine The Light Project](#) and numerous human rights organizations including:

Gender Responsive Services, CT Dept. of Children & Family Services, STARFish Project, Girl Up Club, CCTIP of University of New Haven, Imagine Goods, Project Rescue, and PCSW (The Permanent commission on the Status of Women) Love 146, Underground, Global Sentry Group, Hudson River Presbytery, CT Council of Machinists, CT Fair Trade Coalition, International Institute of CT, to highlight a number of films and educational workshops and panels related to important societal and human rights issues including; Human Trafficking, Social Justice,

Equal Rights, ERA, LGBTQQ and Fair Trade. [Tickets](#)

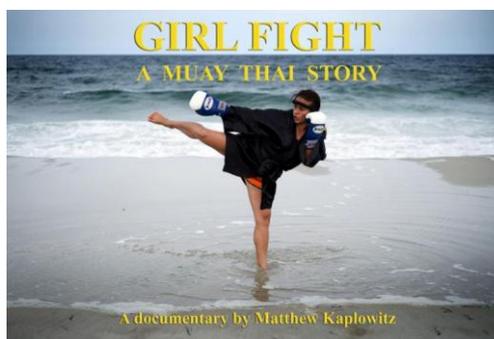
3:00pm Thursday, Nov 12 the festival will open at Gateway Community College. More than 125 shorts and feature films from over 2 dozen countries will screen throughout the 3 day festival. Many of Thursday's films will shine a light on



Women and Empowerment. Featured will be **"The Passionate Pursuits Of Angela Bowen"** (Women's Rights, Feminist Movement, LGBTQ, African American Women in the arts) by Jennifer Abod. For six decades Angela Bowen, classical dancer and teacher, black lesbian feminist activist, and professor has influenced and inspired untold numbers speaking out as strongly for the arts, black and women's rights as she has for lesbian and gay rights. Angela was previously a resident of New Haven where she ran a dance, music and performing arts school. During this period, Angela had a strong influence on the direction of many inner city youth who have since gone on to have successful careers in the performing arts and are influential in the communities where they reside. The filmmaker, Jennifer Abod met her partner during the feminist movement in New Haven. Abod was a

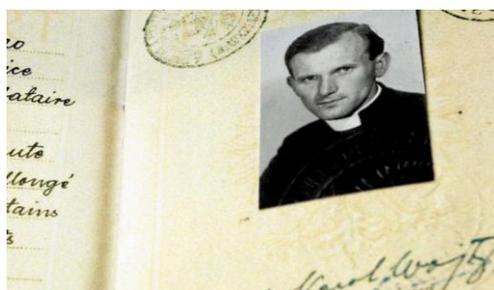
longtime, well-known talk radio in New Haven. [Tickets](#) Also, screening will be **"Girl Fight", of Women gather regularly at an Kickboxing Gym**, finding empowered through the art and Muay Thai kickboxing. **"The Last story of the "comfort women,"** or the estimated 200,000 women who to sexually serve the Imperial during World War II. "Phenomenal Filmmaker Short Films" will talents of women filmmakers from world.

Thursday night will include a film, compliments of the Knights of powerful documentary film about influential men of the 20th Century; America: Uniting a Continent" the papacy of St. John Paul II left mark on the American continent. [Tickets](#)



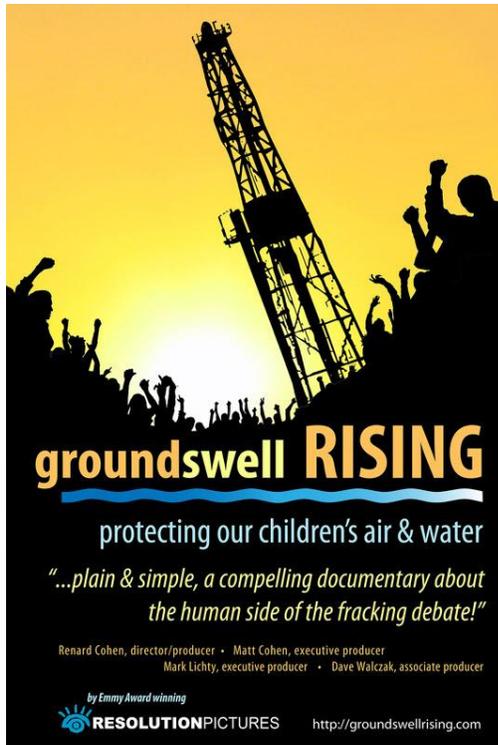
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where a group All Women's themselves competition of **"Tear"** tells the more accurately, were recruited Japanese Army Female showcase the all over the



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The evening is then snow capped off with the Northeast Premiere of **"Dog Days Of Winter"**, a retrospective on the start up of organized freestyle skiing during the early 1970's in America.



Friday continues at Gateway Community College at 10:00am with a stellar line up of shorts and features including: "Shorts Internationale - 12 Non-Discriminating Shorts For Discriminating Tastes", a **12:00pm** block of twisted, hilarious and some even absurd Comedy Shorts is then followed by an Animations Mini-Festival. **At 2:00pm**, the story a "Dangerous Dave" from a local radio show called "Gay Talk" in Buffalo, New York. Dangerous Dave is poised, witty and every listener's best friend in the LGBT feature drama **"The David Dance"**. The afternoon is framed with 4 VERY important documentaries. A double feature at **4:00pm: "The Sum Total of Our Memory: Facing Alzheimer's Together"** and **"Many Rivers Home"** Mixing reflections on aging, mortality and love. Then two powerful environmental films: **at 2:45pm "Groundswell Rising"** gives voice to ordinary folks engaged in a David and Goliath struggle against Big Oil and Gas, and then **"Plastic In My Water"** It's a lot more than just a funny taste. After the UK Gourmet Shorts at 6pm, NHIFF has 3 programs side by side, truly something for everyone.

At 6:00pm, an aspiring actor thinks parts because he's bald until he his head with a cheap wig in the **For Hire**". In the theater next door, back blocks of CT Filmmaker Home films that is) and at 7:30 the Indie award winning comedy **Ol Boy**" starring Cheshire CT native actor: **Anjul Nigam and Jason Is Earl**), about Smith, a ten-year-India growing up in Small Town, 1979. **At 8:00pm** a double feature **Father's Vietnam**" & **FOX production "A Soldiers Story"**, featuring the stories of 2 service men and their families, two conflicts apart. Q&A with My Vietnam director: Soren Sorensen father. [Tickets](#)



he's not landing decides to cover **Actor** two back-to-Grown (short Blockbuster feature: **"Good and Hollywood Lee (My Name old boy from America in with "My SPORTS both films Connecticut generations and Father's and his**

Saturday, the festival opens Community College at 9:00am to short films, features, Webseries, narratives and documentaries, along with workshops and panels on Human Rights, Human Trafficking and Fair Trade until 1:30pm. The festival then reopens at 4:15pm at the University of New Haven.

early Gateway a series of student films,



The festival wraps late Saturday afternoon into the evening at the Bucknall Theater located at the University of New Haven beginning at 5:00pm (doors open at 4:15pm) when we welcome **Keynote Speaker: Jeff Blom, Founder of the Global Sentry Group** - Real Solutions in the Fight Against Human Trafficking. More About Jeff www.globalsentrygroup.org

Following the keynote will be a VIP reception compliments of [Michael Bick and Some Things Fishy Catering](#) in the theater lobby. At 7:00pm, after more than 125 films, the New Haven International Film Festival closes the show with the acclaimed award winning film "SOLD" by Academy Award Winning Director Jeffrey Brown, starring Gillian Anderson and David Arquette, Executive Produced by Academy Award-winner Emma Thompson. Produced by Jane Charles.



"SOLD" is a narrative feature based on the acclaimed and award-winning international bestseller by Patricia McCormick. SOLD tells the story of one girl who becomes a victim of human

take place. SOLD is about an thirteen year-old girl named lives in a poor village in the When her stepfather accepts an to work as a domestic servant Lakshmi becomes obliged to work This practice is common among known as "debt bondage." Lakshmi goes willingly, believing she will work as a domestic and hoping to earn enough money to buy her mother a tin roof. She is trafficked across the border to India by a city woman who tells Lakshmi to call her Auntie Bimla. They embark together upon the long journey to India walking, hitch hiking, taking a bus and finally a train. At first, it seems like an adventure, but when they arrive in the big city, Lakshmi is handed over to Mumtaz, a Madam who presides over a brothel known as "Happiness House." To her horror, Lakshmi discovers that she has been sold into prostitution. [Tickets](#)



trafficking. The story is set in India and Nepal, where many such stories extraordinary Lakshmi who mountains. advance for her inKolkata, India, off the debt. traffickers and is



Immediately following the film will Q&A with a panel of experts in human trafficking including; **Jeffrey Blom, Founder of the Global Sentry Group - Real Solutions in the Fight Against Human Trafficking** and **Timothy Palmbach, J.D. Professor and Chair of Forensic Science department at University of New Haven UNH DNA Forensics.** After the Q&A the audience will be treated to a closing night meet n greet dessert and coffee reception in the lobby of the theater.

The festival will showcase more than 125 regional and international films as well as many titles made right here in Connecticut and in New Haven. The festival runs Thursday, November 12th - Saturday the 14th. For festival updates, follow the festival at www.facebook.com/newhavenfilmfestival. Single film tickets are \$7.00 before 6pm and \$9.00 after 6pm. Day Passes are \$15 all day Thursday, \$20 all day Friday and \$15 - \$25 for Saturday. The \$25 pass includes the entire day, the keynote, VIP Reception and Closing Night film "SOLD" The schedule, tickets, passes and other information can be found at www.newhavenfilmfestival.com

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