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Welcome! We’re excited to be celebrating our fifth anniversary of the Festival!

In our first four years, we’ve presented over 350 hours of environmental films. They have transported us around the world, brought us stories that would otherwise go unheard, and taken on some of the most challenging green issues … and won!

This year is no different. Presenting 60 new films from 26 countries, we’re bringing films, filmmakers, environmental experts and you together to set the scene for environmental change in the next five years.

Cities certainly change fast, something we’ve seen first hand from our 9th Street offices, and prompting our focus on Changing Cities. At their best, cities are hubs for innovation, commerce, culture and environmental sustainability. We have features, shorts and discussions that are determined to make that happen.

We’ll be riding alongside bike activists in Bikes vs. Cars; thrown into huge construction and displacement projects in The Chinese Mayor; and getting a new look at Bay Area sustainability in our City Shorts program.

We’re thinking big about the future. With sci-films Wall-E and Silent Running we’ll be challenging you to rethink our possible futures. And with the Paris Climate talks on the horizon, we have films that will set us up for success on the Road to Paris.

Together, our partners, sponsors and donors make SFGFF the dynamic, inspiring Festival we all know and love. It may start with films, but it comes to life with the ideas and people that go on to make the world a better place. Thank you for being a part of it.

We can’t wait to share even more films and conversations with you this year!

Kevin Krueger
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Founder & CEO

ABOUT SFGFF
San Francisco Green Film Festival is the Bay Area’s leading festival for films and discussions about people and the planet. Launched in 2011, SFGFF presents an annual film festival each spring, along with year-round community screenings and events in the San Francisco Bay Area.

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Web: greenfilmfest.org
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In Person: May 29 – June 3 at the Roxie Theater

WILL CALL All tickets/passes will be held at will call. Tickets/passes are not mailed. The venue box office opens 30 minutes prior to the first screening of the day.

ARRIVE EARLY! Ticket and Passholders must arrive 15 minutes prior to the show time to guarantee admission. After this time you cannot be guaranteed a seat, even with a purchased ticket or pass.

RUSH TICKETS When advance tickets have sold out, last-minute tickets—“rush” tickets—may be available just before the show time. Approximately 10 minutes prior to the screening, empty seats will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis to those in the “rush” line. Barring any unforeseen technical difficulties, screenings will start on time.

FINE PRINT All pass and ticket sales are final. No refunds, exchanges, substitutions or replacements permitted.

Filmmaker & special guest attendance is never guaranteed. Please check greenfilmfest.org for the latest updates.

VENUES

FESTIVAL THEATER
ROXIE THEATER
3117 16th St. at Valencia St., San Francisco, CA 94103

OTHER VENUES
FestHQ · 518 Valencia
518 Valencia at 16th St., San Francisco, CA 94103
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San Francisco, CA 94102
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Opening Night Reception
6:00 pm · THURS., MAY 28 | JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF SAN FRANCISCO
CELEBRATE OUR 5TH BIRTHDAY!
We’re bringing together our eco-savvy, movie-loving community for a bike themed night of fun. Meet guests, filmmakers and artists while enjoying local sustainable food & beverages. You must be 21+ to attend.

Opening Night Premiere
8:00 pm · THURS., MAY 28 | JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF SAN FRANCISCO
BIKES VS. CARS
Fredrik Gertten | Sweden · 2015 · 90 min
English / Swedish / Portuguese with English subtitles

BEST FEATURE AWARD
Gridlock is wasting people’s time, polluting the air and contributing to climate change. Bikes vs. Cars launches the 2015 Festival focus on Changing Cities. From award-winning director and journalist Fredrik Gertten (*BANANAS!*, *Big Boys Gone Bananas!*®) and co-producer Chris Paine (*Who Killed the Electric Car?*, *Revenge of the Electric Car*), the film investigates the daily global spectacle of bikes and traffic. Activists and cities around the world are moving towards two-wheels. But will the economic powers allow it? From the crusades of bike activists in car-centric Sao Paulo and Los Angeles, to the city of Copenhagen where forty percent commute daily by bike, Bikes vs. Cars considers the possible revolutionary changes to our cities if we made room for bicyclists.

DISCUSSION WITH: Special Guests
Join Us At FestHQ · 518 Valencia

HOURS
FRIDAY, MAY 29, 5:00 PM – 11:00 PM
SATURDAY, MAY 30, 12:00 PM – 9:00 PM
SUNDAY, MAY 31, 12:00 PM – 9:00 PM

ART Step inside 518 Valencia and explore art from Bay Area artists, including a “peephole cinema” installation from Michael Epstein, Museum of the Hidden City, and multi-media works from Costanoan Ohlone & Chumash Native American, Kanyon Sayers-Roods.

HAPPY HOURS From 5 PM – 7 PM Fest HQ is the place to have a sip of a complimentary local wine or beer and share your views on the Festival films as you mix with like-minded Festival attendees. *Ticket and passholders only. 21+

PANELS Meet filmmakers, environmental experts and storytellers, giving you a new perspective on the most pressing green issues.

LIGHTS! CAMERA! TAKE ACTION! Watch the films, hook on to your passion and be inspired to take action. We’ll have an information desk with projects and campaigns from our Community Partners.

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Look out for this year’s SFGFF award winners! See page 20.
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM  · FRI., MAY 29 | 518 VALENCIA
FESTHQ HAPPY HOUR  · For Festival ticket and pass holders. 21+

6:00 PM  · FRI., MAY 29 | ROXIE THEATER
OIL & WATER
Francine Strickwerda & Laurel Spellman Smith  | USA/Ecuador · 2014 · 78 min
Hugo and David were born on opposite ends of the oil pipeline. Both want to protect the Amazon from the devastation of oil. Shot over six years, this is an intimate portrait of two young people leaving their home countries, finding their voices and trying to beat incredible odds.

DISCUSSION WITH: Francine Strickwerda, Director; Tracy Dethlefs, Editor.
With short film: HOW WE LIVE: A JOURNEY TOWARDS A JUST TRANSITION

8:30 PM  · FRI., MAY 29 | ROXIE THEATER
RACING TO ZERO: IN PURSUIT OF ZERO WASTE
Christopher Beaver  | USA · 2014 · 59 min
San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee pledged to achieve zero waste by 2020. Go behind the scenes and meet the inventive & enthusiastic characters across the city who are turning trash into resources. The city already recycles, composts and reuses a huge 80% of its garbage. But there’s more to do. Racing to Zero presents an inspiring blueprint for change across America.

DISCUSSION WITH: Christopher Beaver, Director; Diana Fuller, Producer; & Special Guests.
With short film: DRY SEASON

9:15 PM  · FRI., MAY 29 | 518 VALENCIA | FREE EVENT
WALKING CINEMA: MUSEUM OF THE HIDDEN CITY
Michael Epstein  | USA · 2015 · 60 min
A ‘live’ documentary about San Francisco’s struggles for equitable housing policies amidst a whirlwind downtown revitalization. Comprised of immersive video and live music + narration, the production explores the lives of unique residents of San Francisco’s rapidly-revitalizing Mid-Market neighborhood.
1:00 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | ROXIE THEATER

WALL-E
*Andrew Stanton* | USA · 2008 · 98 min
What if mankind had to leave Earth and somebody forgot to turn the last robot off? Academy Award-winning writer-director Andrew Stanton (*Finding Nemo*) and the inventive storytellers at Pixar Animation Studios create a world that humans have abandoned and that a determined robot named WALL-E can save.

**DISCUSSION WITH:** Ralph Eggleston, Art Director / Production Designer, Pixar Animation Studios

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1:15 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | 518 VALENCIA | FREE EVENT

DIRT RICH
*Marcy Cravat* | USA · work-in-progress
A sneak peek of this new work-in-progress film from the director of *Angel Azul* (SFGFF 2014). Dirt Rich explores strategies around the world to prevent runaway global warming; and soil could be the surprising answer. By drawing carbon out of the atmosphere and back to the soil, we have the means to grow our way to a healthier future.

**DISCUSSION WITH:** Marcy Cravat, Director

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1:30 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | LITTLE ROXIE

SHORTS PROGRAM: FOOD FOR THOUGHT
We love food. We love food that is in sync with the environment even more. Bringing you edible stories from backyards, fields and oceans all the way to your plate. This film program presents a refreshing take on our food choices.

*Featuring short films:*

MAN IN THE MAZE
OAKLAND ORIGINALS: ASIYA WADUD
FUNGIPHILIA RISING
FOOD
A PASSION OF GOLD AND FIRE
SEEDING A DREAM
AIN’T NO FISH
FOOD FOR THOUGHT, FOOD FOR LIFE

**DISCUSSION WITH:** Many of the Filmmakers
3:00 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | 518 VALENCIA | FREE EVENT
Q&A: CLIMATE INVESTIGATIONS
There is a boom in video journalism: using the power of film to reach new audiences and increase the impact of reporting. Join us for a Q&A with journalist Jaeah Lee, a reporter at Mother Jones, whose investigations into multinational oil and gas giants provided the foundation for the film The Great Frack Forward.

4:00 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | ROXIE THEATER
THE EDGE OF THE WILD
Gail Mallimson | USA · 2015 · 60 min
A life-long resident of Brisbane, CA, is determined to save the last population of rare butterflies from the luxury housing planned for San Bruno mountain. Bay Area filmmaker Gail Mallimson brings us this epic battle between private property rights and the survival of a species, with implications for national environmental policy.

DISCUSSION WITH: Gail Mallimson, Director
With short film: WALLFLOWER

4:15 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | LITTLE ROXIE
OVERBURDEN
Chad Stevens | USA · 2015 · 65 min
After a mine disaster kills her brother, Betty, a pro-coal activist, joins forces with Lorelei, a tree-hugging environmentalist, to take on an industry that has divided their community for decades. This is a timely film, as the CEO of Massey Energy and character in the film, is indicted for his involvement in the disaster.

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | 518 VALENCIA
FESTHQ HAPPY HOUR · For Festival ticket and pass holders. 21+

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6:30 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | ROXIE THEATER
HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD
Jerry Rothwell | UK/Canada · 2015 · 112 min
In 1971, a group of friends sail into a nuclear test zone, and their protest captures the world’s imagination. Using never before seen archive footage that brings their extraordinary world to life, How to Change the World is the story of the pioneers who founded Greenpeace and defined the modern green movement.

DISCUSSION WITH: Annie Leonard,
Executive Director, Greenpeace USA
With short film: AIN’T NO FISH

7:00 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | LITTLE ROXIE
A DANGEROUS GAME
Anthony Baxter | UK · 2014 · 102 min
Struck by the chord made by his first film You’ve Been Trumped (SFGFF 2012), director Anthony Baxter takes us on a journey to other global hot spots where rapacious developers—often in cahoots with local officials—are using golf as a smokescreen to build massive luxury resorts that end up costing the earth.
With short film: MARIJUANA GROWS AND RESTORATION

9:30 PM · SAT., MAY 30 | ROXIE THEATER
SILENT RUNNING
Douglas Trumbull | USA · 1972 · 89 min
Science Fiction lets us re-imagine our future. After the end of all botanical life on Earth, ecologist Freeman Lowell (Bruce Dern) maintains a greenhouse on a space station in order to preserve various plants for future generations. But soon Lowell and his robots are forced to do anything necessary to keep their invaluable greenery alive.
With short film: AERIS

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12:30 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | 518 VALENCIA | FREE EVENT
THE FIRE NEXT TIME
Stephen Most & Kevin White | USA · work-in-progress
When the Rim Fire burned 256,000 acres of the Stanislaus National Forest and Yosemite National Park in 2013, it exposed the impacts of high intensity wildfires on watersheds, wildlife, and carbon storage. See clips of this upcoming feature film and join a discussion on how our forests are being pushed to a tipping point.
DISCUSSION WITH: Filmmakers Stephen Most & Kevin White, Filmmakers; and Representatives from Resource Agencies & Environmental Groups.

12:30 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | ROXIE THEATER
SHORTS PROGRAM: CHANGING CITIES
Our cities are growing fast. At their best, cities are hubs for innovation, commerce, culture and environmental sustainability. The Bay Area is seeing its own growth spurt and these films uncover stories of environmental change and community power here in San Francisco and Oakland.

Featuring short films:
WHAT ABOUT WATER?
NOT JUST A TREE
FULL CIRCLE
OAK & SCOTT
OUR POWER IN FULL FORCE
BEYOND RECOGNITION

DISCUSSION WITH: Many of the Filmmakers

1:00 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | LITTLE ROXIE
IN BETWEEN MOUNTAINS AND OCEANS (UMI YAMA AIDA)
Masaaki Miyazawa | Japan · 2014 · 79 min
Japanese with English subtitles
Inspired by the sacred ceremony of Shikinen Sengu at Ise Jingu, prestigious Japanese photographer Masaaki Miyazawa’s debut film is a meditation on our connection with nature. Travelling through deep mountains, sacred forests, and to beautiful coasts, Miyazawa unveils a thousand-year-old method of coexistence with nature and reflects on living sustainably in modern society.

With short film: BRILLIANT DARKNESS:
HOTARU IN THE NIGHT
3:00 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | ROXIE THEATER

THE CHINESE MAYOR
Zhou Hao | China · 2015 · 86 min
Chinese with English subtitles

GREEN TENACITY AWARD
Change is afoot in Datong. Mayor Geng Yanbo is pulling down one of the world’s dirtiest cities to recreate its glorious past, but at the cost of relocating 140,000 households. Award-winning filmmaker Zhou Hao, gives you remarkable access to the power and politics that change a city.

DISCUSSION WITH: Zhao Qi, Producer

3:00 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | 518 VALENCIA | FREE EVENT
UNDENIABLY FUNNY: MAKING THE CASE FOR CLIMATE
Workshop hosted by Ali Hart (Active Voice Consultant), Eric Raymond (Digital Communications Strategist) & other experts

We often talk about climate change with a ‘doom and gloom’ frame—loss of species and natural resources, and negative impacts on health… But what if we highlight the absurd forces behind these tragedies in a way that makes people laugh and makes them care? Come to this workshop to find the funny in your issue!

3:30 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | LITTLE ROXIE THEATER

DEEP TIME
Noah Hutton | USA · 2015 · 89 min
Fossil fuels are bringing surging wealth to North Dakota. Director Noah Hutton creates an ethereal portrait of the indigenous peoples, state officials and oil workers at the center of the most prolific oil boom on the planet. Deep Time casts the ongoing boom in the context of paleo-cycles, climate change and the dark ecology of the future.

DISCUSSION WITH: Noah Hutton, Director
With short film: OUR POWER IN FULL FORCE

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5:30 PM · SUN., MAY 31 | ROXIE THEATER
THAT SUGAR FILM
Damon Gameau | Australia · 2014 · 101 min
One man’s journey to discover the bitter truth about sugar: Damon Gameau’s experiment shows the effects of a high sugar diet on a healthy body, by consuming only ‘healthy’ foods. Guest cameos and interviews from the likes of Stephen Fry, Gary Taubes, Michael Moss and Kimber Stanhope will change your views on sugar forever.

DISCUSSION WITH: Damon Gameau, Director (via Skype); Christina Goette, Shape Up SF; & Sarah Fine, UCSF

With short film: PSEUDO EVOLUTION

6:00 PM · SUN., MAY 30 | LITTLE ROXIE
MY NAME IS SALT
Farida Pacha | Switzerland/India · 2013 · 92 min
Gujarati with English subtitles

Year after year, for an endless eight months, thousands of families move to a desert in India to extract the whitest salt from the burning earth. Every monsoon their salt fields are washed away. And still they return. Award-winning film, My Name is Salt, is a lyrical and poetic observation of working in this relentless landscape.

With short film:
A VERTICAL DANCE BY BANDALOOP

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Centerpiece

8:30 PM • SUN., MAY 31 | ROXIE THEATER

**DIVIDE IN CONCORD**

**Kris Kaczor** | USA • 2014 • 82 min

Before SF banned plastic bottles, small town Concord, MA, was starting a revolution. For years, Jean Hill petitioned to ban water in plastic bottles. Against her is a mountain of opposition, stoking fear of loss of personal choice. As in 1775, when Concord patriots began a Revolution, follow an 84 year-old woman waging a seemingly unwinnable battle.

**DISCUSSION WITH:** Kris Kaczor, Director; Dave Regos, Producer.

*With short film: CRANKY*

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6:00 PM • MON., JUN 1 | ROXIE THEATER

**UNEARTHED**

**Jolynn Minnaar** | South Africa/USA/Canada • 2014 • 93 min

English/Afrikaans with English subtitles

Jolynn Minnaar was optimistic about fracking in her Karoo hometown, until she heard about water contamination in Pennsylvania due to fracking. She then set out on an investigation across the US. Now South Africa is lifting the moratorium on fracking, the race is on to share her horrific findings with her hometown.

**DISCUSSION WITH:** Earthjustice

*With short film: DRYDEN—The Small Town that Changed the Fracking Game*
FILM CALENDAR · MONDAY JUNE 1

6:15 PM · MON., JUN 1 | LITTLE ROXIE
THULETUVALU
Matthias Von Gunten | Switzerland/Tuvalu/Greenland · 2014 · 96 min
Inuit/Tuvaluan with English subtitles

Two places at the edge of our planet are making headlines due to climate change: Thule, Greenland, because of record ice melts there; and Tuvalu, because this remote Pacific island nation is one of the first countries on the verge of sinking as a result of rising sea levels.

With short film: ISLE OF SEALS

8:15 PM · MON., JUN 1 | LITTLE ROXIE
BLACK
Chen-Wei Lin | Taiwan · 2014 · 57 min
Mandarin with English subtitles

Rice is fundamental to the Taiwanese diets. But as water contamination increases, farmer's efforts are no longer being rewarded with golden paddy and delicate rice. Black shows the increasing tension between industry and agriculture as wastewater pollution infiltrates the rice fields.

With short film: SILENT RIVER

8:30 PM · MON., JUN 1 | ROXIE THEATER
GOOD THINGS AWAIT (SÅ MEGET GODT I VENTE)
Phie Ambo | Denmark · 2014 · 93 min
Danish with English subtitles

Niels is one of the most idealistic farmers in Denmark. Supplying the world’s best restaurant, NOMA, his biodynamic farming comes from the idea that man and earth are fundamentally connected to the universe. But his pact does not live up to the authorities’ rules. Follow his struggle to make sure that this way of farming survives.

DISCUSSION WITH: Phie Ambo, Director (via Skype)

With short film: A PASSION OF GOLD AND FIRE

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12 NOON · TUES., JUN 2 | SF MAIN LIBRARY · Koret Auditorium | FREE EVENT
BLACK ICE
Maarten van Rouvery | Netherlands · 2014 · 53 min
When Greenpeace set sail in 2013 to protest the first oil drilling in the Arctic Ocean, no-one on board knew a bitter international dispute was on the horizon. Meet the ‘Arctic 30’. See their environmental mission turned into a global incident as they’re seized at gunpoint and thrust into headlines across the world.

DISCUSSION WITH: Greenpeace
With short film: OCEANS NORTH—Protecting Manitoba’s Beluga Estuaries

6:00 PM · TUES., JUN 2 | ROXIE THEATER
SLUMS: CITIES OF TOMORROW
(BIDONVILLE: ARCHITECTURES DE LA VILLE FUTURE)
Jean-Nicolas Orhon | Canada · 2013 · 83 min

One in six people live in a slum, squat, or similarly precarious dwelling. Director Jean-Nicolas Orhon gives us an intimate look at the inhabitants who, through resilience and ingenuity, have built these homes. Meet communities from India to New Jersey via France, Quebec and Morocco.

PANEL DISCUSSION WITH: Kristy Wang, SPUR; Zhao Qi, Producer, The Chinese Mayor; and Special Guests
With short film: KOMBIT

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7:00 PM · TUES., JUN 2 | DAVID BROWER CENTER · Goldman Theater | BERKELEY
JUST EAT IT: A FOOD WASTE MOVIE
Grant Baldwin | Canada · 2014 · 74 min
We love food. As a society, we devour cooking shows, culinary magazines and foodie blogs. So how could we possibly be throwing nearly 50% of it in the trash? Filmmakers and food lovers Jen and Grant dive into the issue of waste from farm, through retail, all the way to the back of their own fridge.

PANEL DISCUSSION hosted by UC Berkeley Student Environmental Resource Center.
With short film: FORCE OF HABITS

8:30 PM · TUES., JUN 2 | ROXIE THEATER
AN OMNIVOROUS FAMILY’S DILEMMA (JAP-SIK-GA-JO-GUI-DIL-LE-MA)
Hwang Yun | Republic of Korea · 2014 · 105 min

DIRECTOR’S CHOICE
In the wake of foot-and-mouth disease, Korean filmmaker Yun begins a journey to learn more about pigs, animal welfare and becoming vegetarian. But not everyone understands her new stance, leading to family conflict. This is a film of discovery: revealing the impacts of intensive pig farming and the personal implications of our food choices.

DISCUSSION WITH: Katie Cantrell,
Factory Farming Awareness Coalition
With short film: FOOD

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Closing Night: Road To Paris 2015

6:00 PM · WED., JUNE 3 | ROXIE THEATER

LANDFILL HARMONIC
Brad Allgood & Graham Townsley | USA · 2015 · 84 min
Spanish with English subtitles

INSPIRING LIVES AWARD
The world sends them garbage and they send back music. The world generates about a billion tons of garbage a year. Those who live with it and from it are the poor—like the people of Cateura, Paraguay. And here they are transforming it into beauty. Landfill Harmonic follows the Orchestra as it takes its inspiring spectacle of trash-into-music around the world.

DISCUSSION WITH: Brad Allgood, Director

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Racing Extinction | San Francisco Premiere

8:30 pm · Wed., June 3 | Roxie Theater

Racing Extinction

Louie Psihoyos | USA · 2015 · 94 min

From the filmmakers behind The Cove, Academy Award-winning director Louie Psihoyos now bears witness to another global problem—mankind’s role in precipitating mass extinction, potentially resulting in the loss of half of the world’s species. He joins forces with activists, scientists, nature photographers, and cutting-edge inventors with an affirming call to action to stem the tide before it’s too late.

Discussion with: Special Guests

Closing Night Party

10:30 pm · Wed., June 3 | Slate Bar

It’s a Wrap!

Join us for a nightcap and the announcement of our SFGFF Audience Award.

Tickets include party entrance & one (1) drink ticket. You must be over 21 to attend the party.
Congratulations!
2015 San Francisco Green Film Festival Award Winners

BEST FEATURE AWARD
Bikes vs. Cars

BEST SHORT AWARD
Beyond Recognition

YOUNG FILMMAKER AWARD
Pseudo Evolution (Pseudo Evolução)

INSPIRING LIVES AWARD
Landfill Harmonic

GREEN TENACITY AWARD
The Chinese Mayor

AUDIENCE AWARD
Vote Now!

Be sure to vote at the film screenings and help us decide who will win the Audience Award!

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Type A Machines for 3D printing our awards using recycled wood & to Friends of the Urban Forest for naming a tree in honor of the Audience Award winner.
Short Films

We know that good things can come in small packages. Throughout the Festival we showcase an array of new, International short films.

Check out our two dedicated shorts programs:

**Food for Thought** (Sat., May 30; pg 8) & **Changing Cities** (Sun., May 31; pg 11);

and look out for the short film before each feature film screening.

**AERIS**
*Tijsen Veldhuizen* | UK · 2014 · 13 min

Due to pollution, humans have taken refuge deep within the Earth. Years later, consumed by dreams of a world he’s never seen, one man journeys to the surface.

**AIN’T NO FISH**
*Tom Gasek & Miki Cash* | UK · 2014 · 4 min

Singing seals bring attention to the need to protect our oceans in this short stop motion animation, with music from Hoagy Carmichael.

**BEYOND RECOGNITION**
*Michele Grace Steinberg* | USA · 2014 · 27 min

**BEST SHORT AWARD**

An Ohlone woman is on a quest to protect her ancestors’ burial places from being engulfed by San Francisco’s sprawl.

**BRILLIANT DARKNESS: HOTARU IN THE NIGHT**
*Emily Driscoll* | USA/Japan · 2014 · 12 min

Fireflies in Japan are disappearing as artificial lights disrupt their ‘language of light’. How can we live among wildlife in urban settings?

**CRANKY**
*Ricchard Mockler* | Australia · 2014 · 7 min

Mark feels helpless as his neighbour starts clearing forest for a firewood business. Desperate to fight the destruction, Mark enlists the help of Cranky Koala.
DRY SEASON
*Max Good & Tyler Trumbo* | USA · 2014 · 8 min
An eclectic Northern California town faces an uncertain future as the state suffers through its worst drought in 500 years.

DRYDEN – THE SMALL TOWN THAT CHANGED THE FRACKING GAME
*Chris Jordan-Bloch* | USA · 2014 · 11 min
Fracking meets its match in Dryden, NY, where a community discovers its shared strength and turns the tables on a powerful industry.

EDEN
*Jordan Thornton* | USA · 2014 · 4 min
In a hectic and stressful society, a voice calls out to a working man, inviting him to abandon the modern world.

FOOD
*Siqi Song* | China/USA · 2014 · 3 min
Eaters from around the world talk about their relationship with food, brought to life with “edible-characters” in stop-motion animation.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT, FOOD FOR LIFE
*Susan Rockefeller* | USA · 2015 · 22 min
We want our food fast, convenient and cheap, but at what cost? See the revolution starting in all parts of the food system.

FORCE OF HABITS
*Lu Davidson* | New Zealand · 2014 · 4 min
Life can be overwhelming. A film about how simple habits can have a positive effect on climate change.
FULL CIRCLE
Tiffany Lin | USA · 2015 · 2 min
Follow the journey of a plastic bag as it travels from a San Francisco beach out into the open ocean.

FUNGIPHILIA RISING
Madison McClintock | USA · 2014 · 13 min
From mushroom forays to fungus festivals, mycologists, artists and chefs show us the secret lives of mushrooms and their admirers.

HOW WE LIVE: A JOURNEY TOWARDS A JUST TRANSITION
Mark Decena | USA · 2014 · 7 min
Bay Area activist Gopal Dayaneni looks at how we live now, and how we can do it better in the next economy.

ISLE OF SEALS (ROŅU SALA)
Edmunds Jansons | Latvia · 2014 · 6 min
When the Photographer arrives to document the grey isle, the simple life of seals and hunters turns out to be deadly complicated.

KOMBIT
Jeff Reichert & Farihah Zaman | Haiti · 2014 · 7 min
Haiti’s internally displaced people start a micro-garden movement to combat post-earthquake hunger and despair.

MAN IN THE MAZE
Phil Buccellato & Jesse Ash | USA · 2014 · 8 min
Throughout the U.S. borderlands, a diverse group of people come up with innovative solutions to mend our broken food system.
MARIJUANA GROWS & RESTORATION
Ann & Steve Dunskey / U.S. Forest Service
USA · 2014 · 5 min
Meet those working to restore our national forests from the significant harm done to land, water, and animals from growing Marijuana.

NOT JUST A TREE: FRIENDS OF THE URBAN FOREST
Mauricio Romero, Marwaun Brooks, Reyna Colt Lacayo & Walden Smith / BAVC | USA · 2014 · 6 min
Teenagers learn how to plant and maintain trees in San Francisco’s urban settings through Friends of the Urban Forest’s “Green Teens” program.

OAK AND SCOTT
Sinem Yilanci & Sertan Ünver | USA · 2014 · 30 min
An urban tale told by long-term residents of an ever-changing San Francisco intersection.

OAKLAND ORIGINALS: ASIYA WADUD
Jim McSilver | USA · 2014 · 7 min
A bounty of fruit is growing over fences and sidewalks in Oakland—much of it going to waste until Asiya Wadud sees an opportunity.

OCEANS NORTH—PROTECTING MANITOBA’S BELUGA ESTUARIES
Christopher Paetkau & Trevor Gill
Canada · 2014 · 5 min
Each summer, as the sea ice recedes, more than 57,000 beluga whales return to the estuaries along stunning western Hudson Bay in Manitoba.

OUR POWER IN FULL FORCE
Kay Cuajunco, Bunker Seyfert & Shadia Fayne Wood
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Communities come together in Richmond, CA, to show we can take control of energy systems in ways that restore the planet and transform the economy.
A PASSION OF GOLD & FIRE
(UNE PASSION D’OR ET DE FEU)
Sébastien Pins | Belgium · 2014 · 6 min
A beekeeper shares his worries about the future of his apiary school. A passion of gold and fire which definitely helps our environment to keep on living.

PSEUDO EVOLUTION
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Luisa Gobel & Bruna Almeida | Brazil · 2013 · 4 min
YOUNG FILMMAKER AWARD
An irreverent and critical insight into the evolution of human-kind through the development of capitalist civilization.

SEEDING A DREAM: SHEEPSKOT GENERAL STORE & UNCAS FARM
Bridget Besaw | USA · 2014 · 16 min
Young farmers revitalize a farm and transform a store into a thriving community food hub; yet they live with little security to show for all their toil.

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Steve Fisher & Jason Jaacks
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U.S. companies are using the Santiago River as their own waste canal. Follow a young woman trying to save one of the most polluted rivers in Mexico.

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Amelia Rudolph / KQED Arts | USA · 2014 · 4 min
A pioneering dance troupe combines modern choreography with rock-climbing technology to create mesmerizing performances that soar and swoop on Marin Cliffs.

WALLFLOWER
Nils Westergard | USA · 2014 · 3 min
Animals traverse the city in unusual places in this animated mural, with music by Inland Ocean.
WHAT ABOUT WATER?
Alyssa Hailemariam / BAYCAT | USA · 2015 · 10 min
A documentary produced by BAYCAT interns that examines the relationship between water and the Bayview Hunters Point community.

WRAPPED
Roman Kälin, Falko Paeper & Florian Wittmann
Germany · 2014 · 4 min
The unexpected forces of nature clash with the existing structures of our city and civilization.

Student Programs at SFGFF
INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERS, ADVOCATES AND FILMMAKERS.

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We’re taking the Festival back to school with a free screening of Racing to Zero. And we’re bringing students to the Festival with complimentary tickets for students.

YOUNG FILMMAKERS
We support local film contests for aspiring environmental filmmakers and will be showcasing films from young filmmakers in the Festival program.

YOUNG LEADERS
Collaborating with UC Berkeley SERC (Student Environmental Resource Center), our student leadership program is supporting the next generation of environmental leaders.
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**THURSDAY · MAY 28**

**OPENING NIGHT**
6:00 p JCCSF VIP RECEPTION
8:00 p JCCSF PREMIERE: BIKES VS. CARS

**FRIDAY · MAY 29**
5:00 p 518 FestHQ HAPPY HOUR
6:00 p ROX OIL & WATER
   *How We Live: A Journey Towards a Just Transition*
8:30 p ROX RACING TO ZERO: IN PURSUIT OF ZERO WASTE
   *Dry Season*
9:15 p 518 WALKING CINEMA: MUSEUM OF THE HIDDEN CITY

**SATURDAY · MAY 30**
1:00 p ROX WALL-E
1:15 p 518 DIrt RICH
1:30 p LILR SHORTS PROGRAM:
   *FOOD FOR THOUGHT*
   *Man in the Maze · Fungiphilia Rising ·
   *Oakland Originals: Asiya Wadud ·
   *Food · A Passion of Gold and Fire ·
   *Seeding A Dream · Ain’t No Fish ·
   *Food for Thought, Food for Life*
3:00 p 518 Q&A: CLIMATE INVESTIGATIONS
4:00 p ROX THE EDGE OF THE WILD
   *Wallflower*
4:15 p LILR OVERBURDEN
   *TBA*
5:00 p 518 FestHQ HAPPY HOUR
6:30 p ROX HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD
   *Ain’t No Fish*
7:00 p LILR A DANGEROUS GAME
   *Marijuana Grows and Restoration*
9:30 p ROX SILENT RUNNING
   *Aeris*

**SUNDAY · MAY 31**
11:30 a FILMMAKER BRUNCH
   *(members / passholders)*
12:30 p 518 THE FIRE NEXT TIME
12:30 p ROX SHORTS PROGRAM:
   *CHANGING CITIES*
   *What About Water? · Not Just a Tree ·
   *Full Circle · Oak & Scott · Our Power in Full Force · Beyond Recognition*
1:00 p LILR IN BETWEEN MOUNTAINS AND OCEANS
   *Brilliant Darkness: Hutori in the Night*
3:00 p ROX THE CHINESE MAYOR
   *Wrapped*
3:00 p 518 WORKSHOP: UNDENIABLY FUNNY:
   *MAKING THE CASE FOR CLIMATE*
3:30 p LILR DEEP TIME
   *Our Power in Full Force*
5:00 p 518 FestHQ HAPPY HOUR
5:30 p ROX THAT SUGAR FILM
   *Pseudo Evolution*
6:00 p LILR MY NAME IS SALT
   *A Vertical Dance by Bandaloop*
8:30 p ROX CENTERPIECE: DIVIDE IN CONCORD
   *Cranky*

**MONDAY · JUNE 1**
8:30 p ROX UNEARTHED
   *Dryden · The Small Town that Changed the Fracking Game*
6:15 p LILR THULETUVALU
   *Isle of Seals*
8:15 p LILR BLACK
   *Silent River*
8:30 p ROX GOD THINGS AWAIT
   *A Passion of Gold and Fire*

**TUESDAY · JUNE 2**
12:00 p SFPL BLACK ICE
   *Oceans North · Protecting Manitoba’s Beluga Estuaries*
6:00 p ROX SLUMS: CITIES OF TOMORROW
   *Kombit*
7:00 p DBC JUST EAT IT: A FOOD WASTE MOVIE
   *Force of Habits*
8:30 p ROX AN OMNIVOROUS FAMILY’S DILEMMA
   *Food*

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CLOSING NIGHT: ROAD TO PARIS 2015
6:00 p ROX LANDFILL HARMONIC
8:30 p ROX RACING EXTINCTION
10:30 p SBAR CLOSING NIGHT PARTY