



25TH ONE WORLD FILM FESTIVAL WELCOMES HUMAN RIGHTS FILMS AND INTERNATIONAL GUESTS TO CZECH CINEMAS

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Tonight, Prague will welcome the beginning of the twenty-fifth edition of the One World International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival, which will take place in 28 cities across the Czech Republic from 22 March to 2 April. This year's festival theme - Price of safety - will be reflected in 75 feature films and 10 VR projects and 5 films for children, as well as in debates with local and international guests. For further information, see the programme at <https://www.oneworld.cz/programme>.

The festival will open with *Overcoming the Darkness*, made by a team of Ukrainian filmmakers during the first weeks of the war. The narrative mosaic by the Kinodopomiha collective bears chilling testimonies of the Ukrainian people facing the Russian invasion. The screening will take place at Kino Lucerna's Great Hall at 8 PM and will host a debate with Jan Lipavský, minister of international affairs.

In the evening, the opening ceremony of the twenty-fifth-anniversary edition of One World will take place at the Prague Crossroads. It will include the presentation of the Homo Homini Human Rights Award. This year's laureate is Venezuelan activist Javier Tarazona.

Viewers can look forward to the traditional competition sections (International Competition, Czech Competition, You Have the Right to Know), to which a new competition category for VR films, One World Interactively, has been added. In addition, the program will also group the films into seven thematic categories: New Gods, Women's Power, Ukraine, Sustainability, Relationships, Uprooting, and Networks.

Alongside others, the Czech Competition will present Veronika Stehlíková's documentary *Keeping the Faith*, focusing on the ALS disease, or Mikoláš Arsenjev's *After the Silence Was Broken*, which opens the theme of sexual misconduct on Czech universities through a portrait of one of the activists. The international programme will host Polina Georgescu, who will present *You Have To Be Here To Believe*, a film on the queer rights in Hungary or the protagonist of Taiwanese film *The Exiles*, Wu'er Kaixi.

The festival's debate programme will be enhanced by new formats from confrontational debates to detailed movie examinations. For example, the viewers can enjoy a debate on collective trauma, which will be led by Alé Duarte, a renowned somatic psychoanalyst after the screening of *Innocence*. Those interested in sexual works or gender inequality can join in the debate after the screening of *Verified Couple*, which will be hosted by the journalist Petra Dvořáková. Digital semantic Matěj Hřib will analyze the TikTok-driven film *Girl Gang* and the renowned Polish sociologist Marta Bucholc will open the theme of the social contract of the 21st century, correlating with the screening of *Breaking social*.





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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Tickets are sold through the GoOut portal. Visitors can also buy multiple tickets at once for a discount price. The festival offers three packages - one contains 3 tickets and costs 330 Kč, the other contains 5 tickets for 550 Kč, and the largest consists of 10 tickets + 2 films at One World Online for 1100 Kč.

The tickets are also sold directly at the festival cinemas.

There are two main festival hubs - one at Lucerna Cinema, and the other at the Prague Municipal Library. There, the visitors can get all available information, buy tickets for all screenings at all times, as well as obtain the festival merchandise. At the cinemas, the tickets will be sold from 23 March.

Tickets have a universal price - 130 Kč. Viewers aged above 65 or those with a ZTP, ZTP/P (severe health disability card) will receive a 50 % discount.

From 22 March to 30 March, press accreditations are to be collected at Langhans (Vodičkova 37, Praha 1) at Guest Service (first floor, then left).

Visitors can also obtain the merchandise through the festival e-shop.

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