

## Highly-Anticipated IFAFF International Returns with 20 Thought-Provoking and Inspiring Films Focused on Front-Burner Social Justice Issues

Three call-out features will include special panel discussions with filmmakers, advocates, and experts

**CHICAGO (October 16, 2023) –** The (In)Justice for All Film Festival International (IFAFF International) returns for another season of bold films from the United States and across the globe that center on mass incarceration, the criminal injustice system, returning citizens, social unrest, racism, police brutality, gun violence, domestic violence, human trafficking, discrimination, unfair housing, bail bond inequality, and other critical social justice issues.

For the eighth festival, which runs October 20-26, 2023, audiences around the world can pick from among 20 films and watch each film at any time during the festival using Eventive, a virtual cinema screening platform. Tickets are \$10. Passes are \$75 and discounted to \$60 when purchased by October 19. Tickets and passes are both available at: https://watch.eventive.org/injusticeforallff

IFAFF International is where the power of film meets the movement for justice. The 2023 lineup of films includes: A Reckoning in Boston, Being Michelle, Black in America, Can Oppression Be Liberation?, Crossing Overtown, Falling Into the Abyss, Fight Like Hell, La Piedra En El Zapato (A Pain In The Neck), Nowhere But Here, Nothing About Us Without Us, Project Home, Reparations, Ricochet, The Poison Garden, There Goes the Neighborhood, This is (Not) Who We Are, #Through Our Lens, To Be Fair, Voices of Reentry, and Unguarded.

This year, the IFAFF International will also present panel discussions exploring three unique films. *Unguarded* takes us inside APAC, the transformative Brazilian alternative prison system centered on the full recovery and rehabilitation of the individual. A panel of expert transformative justice practitioners will lead this conversation. *Reparations* deals with the four-centuries-old struggle to seek repair and atonement for chattel slavery in the United States. The panel discussion, Reparations – A Path to Restoring the Soul of Colonizer Nations, will include Black leaders, human rights advocates, and reparations activists. The film *Can Oppression Be Liberation?* explores the impacts of prostitution and the implications of fully decriminalizing the sex trade and will include a post-screening conversation between the film's creative producer and a human trafficking activist, both survivors of sex trafficking.

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(In)Justice for All Film Festival International, a program of Trinity United Church of Christ, has curated an array of films that speak to the issues of our time. The mission of IFAFF International is to build the premier festival experience that brings to light the structural and systemic injustices perpetrated on peoples of the world and inspire audiences to become allies in the fight for justice and human rights.

Major 2023 IFAFF International sponsors include Trinity United Church of Christ, The Unashamed Media Group, The Legacy Endowment Fund of the Congregational Church in Deerfield/UCC, and Euclid Avenue United Methodist Church in Oak Park. For more information and complete film descriptions, visit <a href="https://www.injusticeforallff.com">www.injusticeforallff.com</a> or find us on Instagram, Facebook, and X. #IFAFFI2023.

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