



Festival Name: **18th UNAFF** (*United Nations Association Film Festival*)
Locations: **Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, San Francisco and Stanford University**
Festival Dates: **October 15-25, 2015**
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The **18th UNAFF** (United Nations Association Film Festival) from **October 15-25, 2015 Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, San Francisco and Stanford University** celebrates the power of documentary films dealing with human rights issues, the environment, racism, women's issues, universal education, war and peace. The theme for this year is ***RUNNING OUT OF TIME***.

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Palo Alto - San Francisco - East Palo Alto - Stanford University

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UNAFF celebrates the power of films dealing with human rights, environmental themes, women's issues, population, homelessness, racism, children, health, universal education, war and peace. In the past seventeen years, UNAFF has attracted a broad audience from the San Francisco Bay Area with many finding the screenings to be a rare chance to see the state of human rights and culture around the world and at home. UNAFF promotes education, awareness and social change through images, dialogue and action.

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Palo Alto - East Palo Alto – San Francisco – Stanford

Founded in 1998 by Jasmina Bojic, film critic and educator, UNAFF is an international documentary film festival originally established to honor the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It has grown and earned the respect of audiences and filmmakers alike for its fearless independence and integrity. In addition to providing early outlets for films, many of which later went on to win major awards and accolades, UNAFF prides itself in creating a community forum for discovery and dialogue about different cultures, social issues and solutions.

UNAFF brings together the interests of human rights advancement and cinematic achievement for one of the oldest documentary-only film festivals in the United States. The 18th UNAFF will be held for eleven days - five days in Palo Alto, one day in East Palo Alto, one day in San Francisco and four days on Stanford's campus. **UNAFF 2015** will present **60 documentaries** for eleven days **October 15-25** spotlighting current events from across the globe including Afghanistan, Cuba, Ecuador, France, India, Iraq, Israel, Kenya, Libya, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestinian Territories, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, US and Yemen. Additional topics include: *the politics of poaching in Africa; rape in India and across American college campuses; drones as a tool of modern warfare; the fastest winter-warming place on earth; the global waste crisis; individuals with Parkinson's staging a first ever dance performance under the tutelage of the Mark Morris Dance Group; art's ability to overcome violence, poverty and isolation in Oakland, California; the history of Libya; the Greek financial crisis; an inside look at the girls of the Taliban; finding loopholes to perform abortions at sea for women with no other option; and a remarkable journey by 12 teens to confront racism and have the conversations most of us are too afraid to have.*

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