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WHAT:

23rd UNAFF (United Nations Association Film Festival)

Documentaries on human rights subjects under theme: *The Power of Empathy*Activist/musician Joan Baez to receive UNAFF Visionary Award
Opening day film *The Great American Lie* is directed/produced by California's First Partner Jennifer Siebel

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WHEN/WHERE:

October 15-25 2020 - virtual festival online, can be viewed anywhere in California

CLIPS AVAILABLE FOR MEDIA USE:

Trailer for 23rd UNAFF (United Nations Association Film Festival) on YouTube:

90 second: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgH9-lw7kE4
30 second: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bwj59fqBhOU

Download trailer from these links:

90 second: https://vimeo.com/468012481
30 second: https://vimeo.com/468012462

Trailers for individuals films can be accessed from https://unaff2020.eventive.org/films?mode=list click on any individual film for its page, then click on "PLAY TRAILER"

Press images available for the Festival and its films, at: http://www.unaff.org/2020/press.html

Festival Executive Director and many filmmakers and guests are available for media interviews.

MORE:

The United Nations Association Film Festival (UNAFF) celebrates its 23rd year under the theme THE POWER OF EMPATHY through documentary films that highlight human rights issues, including social justice, climate change, racism, health, women's issues, universal education, war and peace. In this year's virtual platform, each film will be scheduled on a specific date, and will be available to be watched any time during that day. Each day of the Festival includes a live Zoom panel discussion festivalgoers to join and learn more about the films from the filmmakers, subjects of the films and experts.

The award-winning United Nations Association Film Festival has grown to be one of the oldest and most respected documentary film festivals in the United States. UNAFF was originally conceived to celebrate the 50th

anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and was founded by Stanford educator and film critic Jasmina Bojic, who still serves as Executive Director. In addition to providing early outlets for films, many of which have gone on to win major awards and accolades, UNAFF takes pride in creating a community forum for discovery and dialogue about different cultures, social issues and solutions. http://www.unaff.org