



Festival Name: **23rd UNAFF** (*United Nations Association Film Festival*)
Locations: **Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, San Francisco and Stanford University**
Festival Dates: **October 15-25, 2020**
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The **23rd UNAFF** (United Nations Association Film Festival) will be held online from **October 15-25**. It celebrates **THE POWER OF EMPATHY** through documentary films that highlight human rights issues, including environmentalism, racism, health, women's issues, universal education, war and peace.

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Palo Alto – San Francisco – East Palo Alto – Stanford University

Founded in 1998 by Jasmina Bojic, film critic and educator, UNAFF (United Nations Association Film Festival) is an international documentary film festival originally established to honor the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The **23rd UNAFF** will be held online from **October 15-25, 2020** exploring the theme **THE POWER OF EMPATHY**.

UNAFF celebrates the power of films dealing with human rights, including environmental themes, women's issues, racism, child welfare, war and peace. Over its 22 years, UNAFF and its year-round programs have attracted a broad audience from around the Bay Area, with many finding the screenings to be a rare chance to engage with different cultures and see the state of human rights around the world and at home. UNAFF promotes education, awareness, and social change through images, dialogue, and action.

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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 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.

As one of the oldest documentary-only film festivals in the United States, UNAFF brings together the interests of human rights advancement and cinematic achievement. The **23rd UNAFF** will be held online for eleven days. **UNAFF 2020** will present 60 documentaries spotlighting current events from across the globe, including through its very popular programs UNAFF AND KIDS and UNAFF IN SCHOOLS, and will host six panel discussions during which renowned experts will discuss topics such as public health and safety, racial justice, the activism and innovation of women, creativity and disability, the future of borders and military spending, and the power of art to transform consciousness and inspire social change.

Join us as we celebrate **THE POWER OF EMPATHY**. For more details, please visit www.unaff.org