



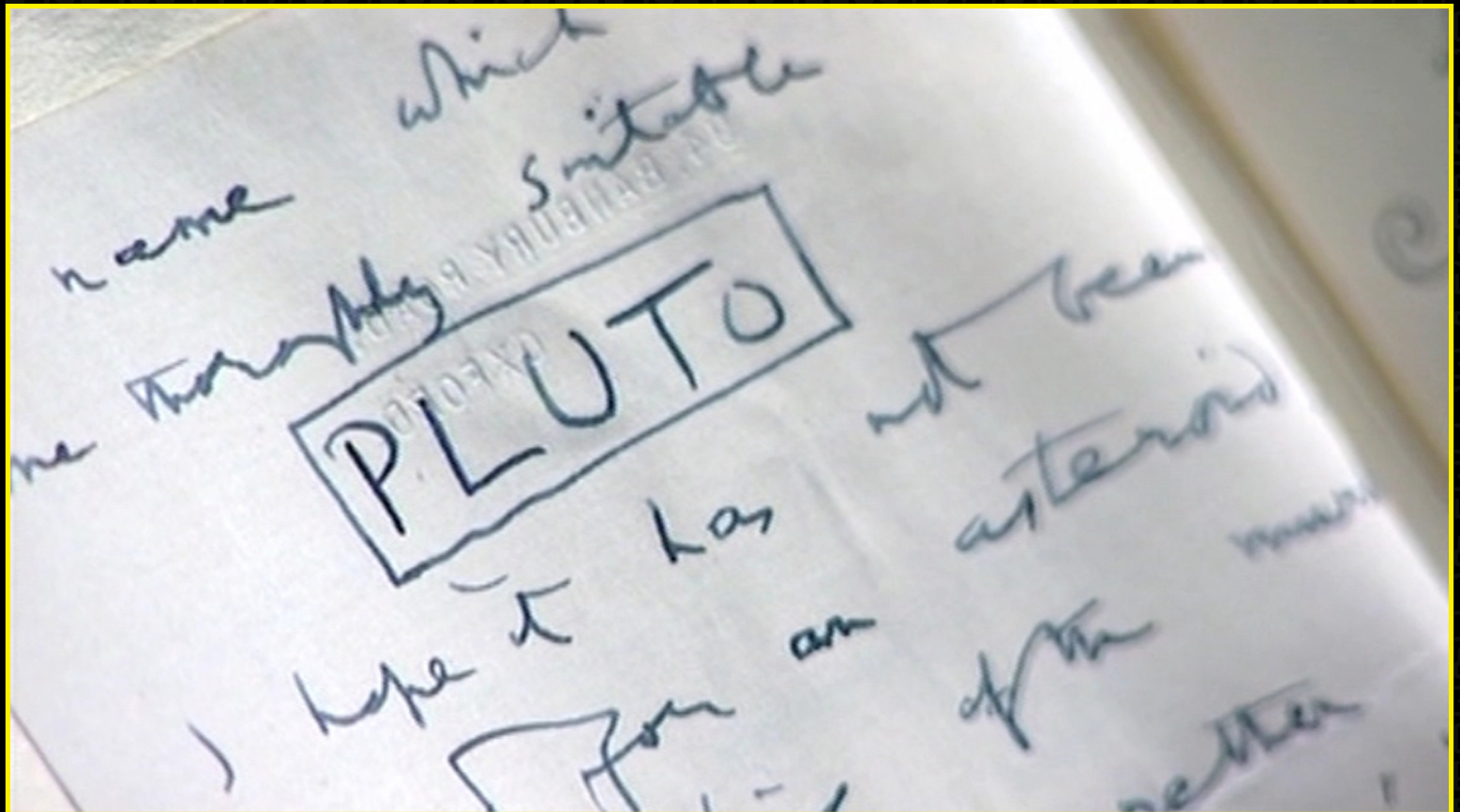
Palo Alto High School

**ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1st, 2026 @ 12:00PM
IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY**

The UNAFF Club of Palo Alto Senior High School

presents the short documentary film by Ginita Jimenez

NAMING PLUTO (13 min, U.K.)



This is the story of Venetia Burney Phair, the only person alive to have ever named a planet. As an eleven-year old Oxford schoolgirl in March 1930, she came up with the suggestion for the name of the newly discovered Planet X over a family breakfast, making a unique contribution to scientific history. On August 24, 2006, Venetia witnesses another moment in Pluto's life when the International Astronomical Union formally downgrades Pluto to a dwarf planet, splitting the scientific community and undoing seventy years of learning for millions of children around the world.

**Moderated by Jasmina Bojic Stanford Educator and Founder and
Executive Director of the International Documentary Film Festival UNAFF**