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Earth Week Mini Festival welcomes legendary activist Dolores Huerta

One Earth Film Festival reprises feature-length "Dolores" for Earth Day screening

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OAK PARK, IL — One Earth Film Festival, in partnership with the City of Chicago, will host its annual **Earth Week Mini Fest** April 19-25. The Mini fest will feature seven outstanding feature-length films, including "Dolores," and 14 shorts that shine a light on the most important issues of our time.

The Festival is pleased to welcome living legend Dolores Huerta for a post-film Q&A after the reprise screening of "Dolores" on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22, 6:30 p.m. CDT. This film was one of the most popular of One Earth's 2018 season, and its themes and lessons are more relevant today than ever: immigrant rights, environmental justice, sustainable agriculture and the grit and determination of female leaders in the environmental movement.

Dolores Huerta is among the most important, yet least known, activists in American history. An equal partner in co-founding the first farm workers unions with Cesar Chavez, her enormous contributions have gone largely unrecognized. Dolores tirelessly led the fight for racial and labor justice alongside Chavez, becoming one of the most courageous feminists of the 20th century—and she continues the fight to this day, at age 90. The film reveals the raw, personal stakes involved in committing one's life to social change. This Sundance selection has won best documentary at the Seattle International Film Festival and the Denver Women & Film Festival.

Other Earth Week festival feature-length screenings include: "I Am Greta: A Force of Nature," "The Condor and The Eagle," "Closing the Loop: A Documentary About the Circular Economy Revolution," "Mossville: When Great Trees Fall," "To Which We Belong," and "The Great Green Wall."

At 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., CDT, Saturday, April 24, One Earth will present seven short films (from elementary school to college level), which were just a hair's breadth away from first place in this year's Young Filmmakers Contest. YFC Founding Director Sue Crothers will facilitate a virtual discussion via Zoom with filmmakers from California to New York as part of the program.

Programs offer solutions and actions addressing climate, environmental justice, conservation, waste and more, along with filmmaker and expert Q&As. All Earth Week events are virtual and free (donations appreciated). For tickets, go to **oneearthfilmfest.org/.**





