Bellingham Human Rights Film Festival 2007
February 21 to March 3

Speakers or facilitated discussions to follow most films. For directions, descriptions of films and speakers, visit **www.whrtf.org/filmfest** or call 734-5176.

Wed. Feb. 21
4pm film
7pm speaker

♦ **Why We Fight (98 min.)**
Unflinching look at the anatomy of the American War machine.
Location: Fairhaven College Audtiorium
Speaker: Eugene Jarecki – Filmmaker (Why We Fight)
Location: PAC - WWU Campus
Primary Sponsor: WWU American Democracy Project

Thurs. Feb. 22
7:00 pm and 9:15 pm (two shows)

♦ **Black Gold (77 min.)**
Examines the international coffee trade and the future of fair trade.
Location: Pickford Theater
Discussion facilitated by Trudy Scherting, co-owner of Moka Joe, a local coffee micro-roaster. Their mission is to bring Fair Trade, shade-grown, bird-friendly, certified organic coffee beans to the Northwest.

The following films and speakers will be held at 7:00 pm in the Fairhaven College Auditorium, WWU Campus

Fri. Feb. 23 7pm
China Blue (88 min.) Tells the stories of young women working in a blue jeans factory in China.
Discussion facilitated by Beatriz Fuentes from Colombia, president of the Sintraspendor union at Splendor, a Dole-owned cut flower plantation in Colombia. And from Bangalore, India, Kotaharahalli Ramaiah Jayaram, an organizer for the Garment and Textile Workers Union (GATWU).

Sat. Feb. 24 7pm
Iron Wall (58 min.) Shows the effect of the wall Israel is building through Palestinian territories.
Discussion facilitated by Shulamit Decktor from Seattle, who is currently involved with Jewish Voice for Peace, and as a Jewish activist in Fellowship of Reconciliation

Sun. Feb. 25 7pm
Empty Oceans, Empty Nets (55 min.) Takes a comprehensive look at the massive degradation of the earth's oceans.
Finding Solutions (18 min.) Offers hopeful and inspirational solutions to some of our most serious problems.
Facilitated discussion to follow

Mon. Feb. 26 7pm
Slum Futures (23 min.) Overview of slum conditions worldwide, and models that are working in India.
Dreaming of Tibet (60 min.) Explores how three extraordinary Tibetan exiles work to preserve their culture.
Discussion facilitated by Debi Goldman, a development officer for the Tibetan Nuns Project - a grassroots organization building nunneries and providing support for several hundred Tibetan nuns in exile. Her work also focuses on refugee education.

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Tues. Feb. 27 7pm
Who Shot my Brother? (95 min.) Exposes the complicated roots of violence in Colombia.
Discussion facilitated by Shirley Osterhaus, an educator and activist in the community who teaches and coordinates the World Issues Forums at Fairhaven College.

Wed. Feb. 28 7pm
Rain in a Dry Land (82 min.) Powerful personal stories of the resilience of Somali war refugees in adjusting to life in the U.S.
Facilitated discussion to follow

Thurs. March 1 7pm
Toxic Bust (41 min.) Traces the connection between chemicals and the high rates of breast cancer.
Maquilapolis (68 min.) Shares the personal experiences of women in Tijuana's assembly plants.
Facilitated discussion to follow

Fri. March 2 7pm
Dream People of the Amazon (32 min.) The native Achuar people of Ecuador organize against oil companies.
Granita de Arena (62 min.) Teachers' struggle for effective rural education evolves into a social movement in southern Mexico.
Discussion facilitated by Larry Estrada. Larry is Director of American Cultural and Associate Professor at Fairhaven College. His recent research includes issues of immigration patterns between Mexico and the U.S.

Sat. March 3 7pm
Iraq for Sale (30 min.) Looks at companies that profit from the war in Iraq.
Ground Truth (78 min.) Soldiers back from Iraq discuss what war was like for them.
Discussion facilitated by Benjamin Marx, a former U.S. Army officer and veteran of two combat tours to Iraq and the Global War on Terror.

Saturday Matinee Movies (no speakers)
NOON – 6:30 pm Fairhaven College Auditorium

- **Fields Of Mudan (23 min.)** Emotional dramatization of child sex industry in Asia.
- **Cultivating Opportunity (28 min.)** Farmers in USA and Africa form coops to empower themselves.
- **A Great Wonder (60 min.)** Follows young refugees from Sudan as they build new lives in Northwest Washington.
- **Quiet Revolution (23 min.)** Exposes the erosion of the U.S. Constitution under Bush Administration.
- **Homeland (90 min.)** Features Native Peoples across the U.S. fighting against toxic and environmental damage to their lands.
- **One Campaign (27 min.)** Film by Sehome High School student highlighting the ONE Campaign to make poverty history.

JUST ADDED – ANOTHER SCREENING OF "BLACK GOLD" AT 5PM