

Global Film Initiative Films of Resistance Announces First Screening

Films of Resistance launches as a global film screening initiative in solidarity with the Palestinian struggle. The initiative curates a pack of Palestinian films to fundraise & spread knowledge of Palestinian cinema & culture. The first screening will take place in London on 14 June at Genesis Cinema.

FILMS OF RESISTANCE 



14 JUNE 6PM – 8.30PM

GENESIS CINEMA

LONDON

This week marks the launch of a new global initiative: Films of Resistance. The initiative invites collectives and individuals worldwide to organise film screenings showcasing the best in recent Palestinian cinema, with the proceeds going to support Palestinian filmmaking. Through curating a selection of 5 films that can be screened globally, Films of Resistance stands in solidarity with the Palestinian struggle through film that is accessible and globally transferable.

The first screening just announced, featuring five shorts by Palestinian directors, will take place on 14 June, at Genesis Cinema in London. This will be followed by further screenings in Lisbon, Portugal (20th June) and Jönköping, Sweden (date TBC). All funds raised go to supporting filmmaking in the occupied territories of Palestine. This includes film and/or cinema equipment for young filmmakers in Jenin, West Bank, via the Jenin Cultural Centre as well as other initiatives.

Films of Resistance believes in the power of cinema to expose, inspire, reflect, and reframe; its ability to incite and sustain resistance. As such, the initiative seeks to facilitate long-term, sustainable and active resistance to the genocide and oppression of the Palestinian people, by fundraising for Palestinian cinema. At the same time, it seeks to inspire solidarity, compassion and ultimately global action in support of the Palestinian struggle. These aims are only aided by the initiative's global transferability, in the form of a 'pack' of ready-to-screen films facilitating screenings world-wide.

The first selection of films covers some of the most daring and compassionate directors of recent Palestinian cinema, including, among others, Muhammed AlMughanni's award-winning and rarely screened short *An Orange from Jaffa* (2023). Collectively, the featured films have screened at over 30 festivals, won 8 awards, and tackle everything from home and childhood to identity and displacement. Through curating films in accordance to their artistic impact, Films of Resistance highlights the artistic breadth, emotional depth and novelty of recent Palestinian cinema in the face of colonial oppression and genocide.

First screening details:

June 14th, 6pm-8.30pm

Genesis Cinema

93-95 Mile End Road, E1 4UJ.

Tickets: £6.75 (base ticket price), £12.50 (ticket price with donation). Get yours [here](#).

Dropbox with media: [culturala.org/filmsofresistance](https://www.culturala.org/filmsofresistance).

To support, organise a screening of your own or ask for a press pass, please reach out to filmsofresistance@gmail.com.

The screenings and initiative are organised by arts publishing collective culturala, Abla Kandalaft, Ameena Adileh and Carmen Caruso.