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Earth Week Mini Film Fest and Neighborhood Clean Up

*One Earth Film Festival and the City of Chicago present a full week
of festivities in celebration of Earth Week 2022, April 18-24*

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OAK PARK, IL —Following its 11th season in March, One Earth Film Festival will celebrate Earth Day with its annual “Earth Week Mini Fest,” April 18-24, presented in partnership with the City of Chicago. The mini fest continues One Earth’s 2022 theme, “Turn the Tide,” with seven screenings of top films and engaging discussions intended to illuminate environmental issues and urge concrete actions on climate change and social justice. Films range in topics from local conservation efforts, to the impact of tourism on Indigenous communities, to the implications of consumerism on the People’s Republic of China, and much more.

This year’s Earth Day festivities also include the [Earth Day Neighborhood Cleanup and Celebration](#) from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, April 23. The cleanup will take place at two locations, providing volunteers an opportunity to connect through community, to give back and make new friends while revealing the city’s beauty after a long winter. Locations are:

- [Columbus Park](#) (500 S. Central Ave) Field House & Pavilion cleanup
- [BUILD](#) (5100 W Harrison St.) chicken coop cleanup and garden bed building

From noon to 1 p.m., both crews will take part in a short gathering that includes a delicious local food boxed lunch at Columbus Park Pavilion. The cleanup is sponsored by BUILD, Flybird Experience, One Earth Collective, the Field Museum, Friends of the Park, and other partners.

One Earth Film Festival’s 11th annual regular season ran March 4-13 and featured 17 thought-provoking and sharply focused films screened at venues across Chicago and virtually to audiences around the globe. The hybrid festival reached several thousand people through its watch parties that included panel discussions with subject experts and post-film Q&As.

Mini fest tickets are free with a suggested \$8 donation. Find more information here: www.oneearthfilmfest.org/.

The City of Chicago, which partners with One Earth on the Mini Film Fest, has unveiled a draft of its 2022 Climate Action Plan (CAP) after a period of public comment that ended April 4. The CAP outlines how the City of Chicago, its sister agencies, partners, businesses, and local residents will take action to address climate change for all 77 of its communities and “collectively advance a thriving green economy for all our residents.” Download the draft plan [here](#).

SUPPORT

The Chicago Community Trust is the Title Sponsor of the Earth Week Mini Fest.

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EARTH WEEK MINI FEST OFFICIAL FILMS AND SCHEDULE

All Listings in Central Daylight Time

- 1) Eight Winning Short Films from One Earth Young Filmmakers Contest | April 18, 5:00 p.m. | Virtual Watch Party
- 2) Clean Energy Revolution Three Short Films: **“El Poder del Pueblo,” “Dangerous Neighbor,” and “Community Power Indiana: Beyond the Line”** | April 19, 6:30 p.m. | Virtual Watch Party
- 3) **“Monty and Rose 2”** | April 20, 6:30 p.m. | Virtual Watch Party
- 4) **“The Ground Between Us”** | April 21 | 6:00 p.m. at Dominican University | 6:30 p.m. Virtual Watch Party
- 5) **“Ascension”** Nominated for the 2022 Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature | April 22, 6:30 p.m. | Virtual Watch Party
- 6) **“Eating Up Easter”** | April 23 | 2:30 p.m. at Plant Chicago, 4459 S. Marshfield | 3:00 p.m. Virtual Watch Party
- 7) **“Mottanai Kitchen”** | April 24 | 2:30 p.m. at The Plant, 1400 W. 46th St. | 3:00 p.m. Virtual Watch Party

[One Earth Film Festival](#)

is the Midwest’s premier environmental film festival,
creating opportunities for understanding

climate change, sustainability and the power of people.

It showcases top-issue, thought-provoking environmental films,
leads audiences in interactive post-film discussions
focused on solutions, and offers concrete actions people can take.

One Earth Film Festival is a production of [One Earth Collective](#).