

Spring 2007

Peace & Justice Film Series

Sponsored by the University of Montana Students for Peace & Justice and the Jeannette Rankin Peace Center

THIS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH:

HOWARD ZINN:

(USA: 2004, 78 mins.)

YOU CAN'T BE NEUTRAL ON A MOVING TRAIN

Thursday February 8, 2007, 5:30 PM & 7:30 PM

Directed by Deb Ellis & Denis Mueller, Narrated by Matt Damon

Featuring music by Pearl Jam, Woody Guthrie & Billy Bragg



In these turbulent times Howard Zinn, author of *A People's History of the United States*, is inspiring a new generation. This acclaimed film looks at the amazing life of the renowned historian, activist and author. Following his early days as a shipyard labor organizer and bombardier in World War II, Zinn became an academic rebel and leader of civil disobedience in a time of institutionalized racism and war. His influential writings shine light on and bring voice to factory workers, migrant laborers, African Americans, Native Americans and the working poor.

Featuring rare archival materials and interviews with Zinn and colleagues such as Noam Chomsky, *You Can't Be Neutral* captures the essence of this extraordinary man who has been a catalyst for progressive change for more than 60 years.

(NO FILM NEXT WEEK DUE TO THE BIG SKY DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL)

TWO WEEKS FROM NOW: FEBRUARY 22ND:

ANCIENT FUTURES: LEARNING FROM LADAKH

 (1993, 60 mins.)

PARADISE WITH SIDE EFFECTS

 (1999, 40 mins.)

Thursday February 22, 5:30pm and 7:30pm

Produced by The International Society for Ecology and Culture

Ladakh, or "Little Tibet", is a wildly beautiful desert land high in the Western Himalayas. It is a place of few resources and an extreme climate. Yet for more than a thousand years, it has been home to a thriving culture. Traditions of frugality and cooperation, coupled with an intimate and location-specific knowledge of the environment, enabled the Ladakhis not only to survive, but to prosper.

These two films are about much more than Ladakh. The breakdown of Ladakh's culture and environment forces us to reexamine what we really mean by "progress"—not only in the "developing" parts of the world, but in the industrialized world as well. The story of Ladakh teaches us about the root causes of environmental, social and psychological problems, and provides valuable guidelines for our own future.

There will be a discussion after each screening

All of these movies are thought provoking, so please stay afterwards and share your thoughts with other members of the community. You are welcome and encouraged to come regardless of where you find yourself on the political spectrum.

Diversity of opinion leads to richer discussions and deeper understanding.



At the UC Theater in the University of Montana's University Center, 3rd Floor

Take Bus 1, 8, 12 or the UM Shuttle. Free Parking after 5PM.

All Films are Free and Open to the Public

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