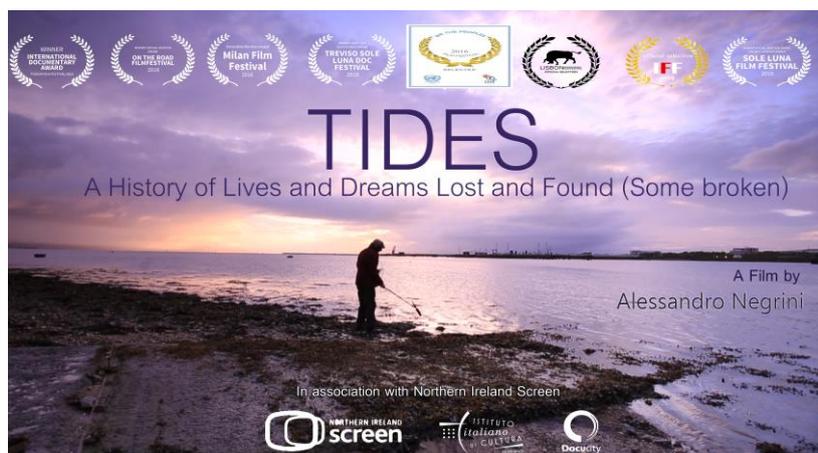


TIDES press release



Within the framework of the Italian Language and Culture week and the new mandates of both the Italian and Irish ambassadors in Nicosia, their Excellencies M. Andrea Cavallari and Ms. Deirdre Ni Fhalluin, respectively, the creative NGO Urban Gorillas, in collaboration with CCMC the Cyprus Community Media Centre, are inviting the multi-award winning Italian director Alessandro Negrini to screen his latest movie TIDES on October 8th, 7.30 pm at Agia Barbara square in Kaimakli, Nicosia.

The selected film depicts lives across the divided Northern Ireland and reflects on issues that are going beyond borders and the very concept of it. TIDES, narrated from the point of view of the river separating Catholic and Protestant communities, through dreamlike sequences and archive material made by ordinary people in the 50's, 60's and 70's – invites us to discover its story through the voice of the river: how was this liquid wall seen, heard, and experienced by the lives of those it passed on its long run to the ocean? What could it tell us?

Through this public screening, the NGO mainly focused on empowering public spaces through creative interventions involving wide and diverse public, wishes to challenge people's' perceptions and understanding of 'borders' and to reflect on Cyprus' current situation.

The open-air screening will conclude a week of activities with the director, including workshops and on-going researches, and will be followed by a public panel discussion in presence of guests from the film realm.

Multi-award winning Italian film director and poet Alessandro Negrini, defines himself a film director by mistake. His documentaries and short films have garnered a remarkable raft of international awards in festivals around the world. Negrini's most acclaimed work deals with social exclusion, magic realism and resistance and his works combine documentaries, fiction and poetry.

His most acclaimed work, 'PARADISO' (2010) won Best Documentary Prize at Slow Film Festival of Eger (Hungary), Best Documentary Award at Global Cinema Festival, Indore (INDIA), Audience Award at Wurzburg International Film Festival (Germany), Best Documentary Award at Dhaka International Film Festival (Bangladesh), Best Documentary at Arcipelago Rome Film Festival (Italy), Best Film at We The People Film Festival, London.

TIDES was recently shown in Derry-Londonderry, in an open air major screening event above the River Foyle: hundreds of citizens, both Catholics and Protestants, attended the screening. The film was also part of the United Nations Associations Film Festival in London in December 2016.

The event is held with the kind support of Ambasciata d'Italia a Nicosia and Embassy of Ireland Nicosia.

More information about the week's events: info.urbangorillas@gmail.com , 22511550.