

## The UK Green Film Festival – June 2014

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With environmental policies more important than ever, the exceptional line-up of environmentally themed films that will screen across the UK this June as part of the UK Green Film Festival, are crucial to the fight for green living. Internationally award-winning, educational and inspirational, 15 cities will host the festival between 1st and 8th of June.



Presented in collaboration with [Picturehouse Cinemas](#) and sponsored by [Friends of the Earth](#), the UK Green Film Festival has screened reputable environmental films across the UK for the last two years. Now in their third year, they are determined to spread the message of the green movement.

“Our aim is simple. We want to help people understand their impact on the environment, and what they can do to reduce it,” says John Long, the Festival Co-founder. “Film has the power to do that, to provoke thought, to inspire, and to entertain. That’s what the UK Green Film Festival is all about.”

Opening and closing night galas will be held at Hackney Picturehouse, and a number of outstanding documentary films will explore a wide range of environmental causes, concerns and debates.

There are seven feature length documentaries screening this year, many of which are UK premières, from across the globe. There will even be a bonus short film that will precede each feature, giving you a two for one experience for your attendance. The featured films will be competing for both the Palme Verte Award and the UKGFF Audience Award.

So, which films can we expect to see this year?

The festival will open on 1 June with [The Last Catch](#). Directed by Marcus CM Schmidt, the film is a study of the rapidly growing tuna industry and the impact fishing has on both the fish and those who catch them. [A River Changes Course](#) by comparison, chronicles the rapid urbanization in Cambodia and its influence on three families in the middle of it. The film, directed by Kalyanee Mam, won the Grand Jury Prize for Best Documentary at Sundance 2013.

Meanwhile, the water theme returns with [Lost Rivers](#), a fascinating exploration of the subterranean network of rivers you probably don't know exists beneath Montreal, London, Toronto and Brescia. What secrets do they house? Then, [Planet Ocean](#) serves as a stunning 90 minute reminder of the beauty of the Earth, as well as the dangers that threaten, not just our oceans, but the world as a whole.

The festival will close out with a special screening of Daniel Dencik's [Expedition to the End of the World](#), a Scandinavian effort which follows a group of scientists, artists and philosophers on an adventure as they sail to the melting massifs of North-East Greenland. A real eye-opener to end on.

The host cities of the UKGFF 2014 are: London, Bristol, Cardiff, Leeds, Glasgow, Belfast, Leicester, Oxford, Brighton, Lancaster, Oban, Birmingham, Nottingham, Inverness and Dumfries. Attendees have the chance to enjoy exclusive special events: Q&As, live music and talks with filmmakers, environmental campaigners, and representatives of Friends of the Earth.

For further information, visit the [UK Green Film Festival's \(UKGFF\)](#) official website.



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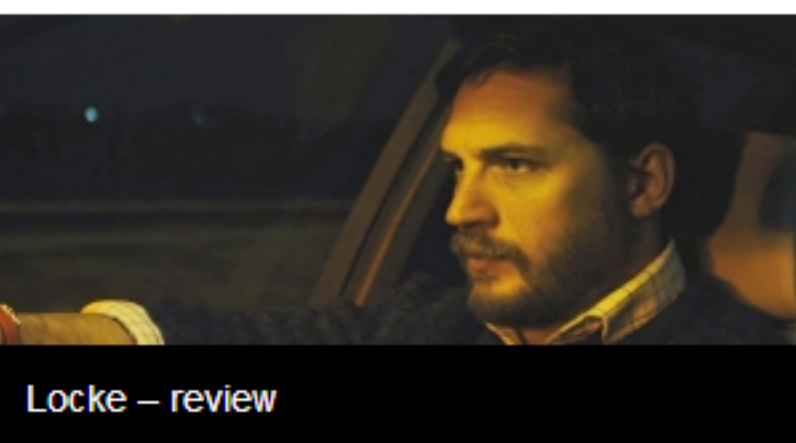
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