

## **CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: Seeking independent documentaries that explore the intersection of spirituality and social justice**

*"Cinema Politica is on the cutting edge of the cinematic zeitgeist, and once again is tapping into the heart of the times, by showcasing the power of connecting spirit with action." Velcrow Ripper, Director of 'Occupy Love'*

**Montreal, December 10, 2012** - Cinema Politica is currently seeking submissions of independent Canadian works for a special screening project called *Divine Interventions: Documentary, Spirituality and Social Justice*. The early submission deadline is January 15, 2013. Led by Cinema Politica, the project is a partnership with the Documentary Organization of Canada (DOC) and the Inspirit Foundation.

### **About Divine Interventions: Documentary, Spirituality and Social Justice:**

Divine Interventions: Documentary, Spirituality and Social Justice explores the role spirituality, religion and secularism play in fostering or inhibiting a plurality of perspectives, understanding across cultural, religious, and ethnic borders, and participation in social causes. This screening initiative starts in inclusive spaces where audiences, artists and activists interrogate the intersection of spirituality and social justice, and subsequently moves on to a sustained online conversation with the aim of fostering engaged communities across geographic barriers.

The project will consist of 30-40 documentary screenings followed by panel discussions and open forum dialogues held at Cinema Politica locals, on campuses across Canada in the spring of 2013.

### **Submitting work:**

We are looking for short, medium and feature-length experimental and narrative documentaries that explore the intersection of spirituality and social justice. We are interested in works that advance a dialogue around the ways in which spirituality and religion affect activism and/or other aspects of social justice.

Please send online screener links to: [programming@cinemapolitica.org](mailto:programming@cinemapolitica.org), and mail DVD submissions to the following address: *Cinema Politica Submissions*, PO Box 55097 (Mackay), Montreal, QC H3G 2W5

For couriered packages, please send to: *Cinema Politica Submissions*, 5333 Casgrain, Suite #1109, Montreal, QC H2T 1X3

There is no cost to submit your work to Cinema Politica and we are not responsible for lost or stolen items, nor are we responsible for returning submitted works. Our submission guidelines can be found at [cinemapolitica.org/submit-a-film](http://cinemapolitica.org/submit-a-film)

If you have any other questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us at:  
[programming@cinemapolitica.org](mailto:programming@cinemapolitica.org)

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**About Cinema Politica:**

With nearly 100 locations in Canada and throughout the world Cinema Politica is the largest campus and community based documentary screening network in the world. We are a non-profit media arts organization committed to connecting audiences to issues raised in independent political and social issue documentary through screenings and post-projection discussions.  
[cinemapolitica.org](http://cinemapolitica.org)

**About DOC:**

The Documentary Organization of Canada / Association des documentaristes du Canada (DOC) is the collective voice of independent documentary filmmakers across Canada. It is a member driven organization dedicated to promoting, supporting and developing the art form of documentary filmmaking. DOC advocates on behalf of its members to foster an environment conducive to documentary production and strives to strengthen the sector within the broader film production industry. DOC has seven chapters across the country, which deliver on-going professional development.  
[docorg.ca](http://docorg.ca)

**About the Inspirit Foundation:**

The Inspirit Foundation is a national grant-making organization that supports Canadians, particularly young adults, in building a more inclusive and pluralist Canada. One way the foundation does this is by funding projects that foster engagement and exchange between young Canadians of different religious, spiritual and secular beliefs.  
[inspiritfoundation.ca](http://inspiritfoundation.ca)