



**The Woodpecker** | 2013  
*film festival and forum*  
December 19 - 21, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

# Films Screening Schedule

Environment | Education | Livelihoods | Religion and Culture | Animation  
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**ENTRY FREE**

**DAY 1 : December 19, 2013 (Thursday)**

**Timing : 02:00 pm to 06:00 pm**

**Venue: Magnolia, IHC**

Time	Film Details	Synopsis
02:00 pm	<b>Celluloid Man</b>   English, Hindi, Kannada and Bengali   2012   02:44:00 Shivendra Singh Dungarpur	Celluloid Man is a 2012 documentary film that explores the life and work of legendary Indian archivist P.K. Nair, founder of the National Film Archive of India and guardian of Indian cinema. The film has won two National Awards at the 60th National Film Awards.
04:45 pm	<b>Seeking A Space Called Peace</b>   Hindi   2012   00:01:00   Social Advertising and PSAs   Maaz Kazmi	This one minute film is made on the theme of 'world peace'. It's about a helpless woman, who in turbulent times, seeks a space called peace for her unborn child.
04:50 pm	<b>Timbaktu</b>   English and Telugu   2012   00:32:00   Environment Rintu Thomas and Sushmit Ghosh	A land where the soil has started to breathe again A village that does not exist on the map A people who celebrate life A no-where, no-where land...
05:30 pm	<b>Chilika - Jewel of Odisha</b>   English   2013   00:21:13   Environment Shekar Dattatri	This is the story of a dying lake that was restored to life by the Chilika Development Authority. The lake has once again become a reliable source of livelihood for local communities and a vibrant refuge for wildlife.

## DAY 2 : December 20, 2013 (Friday)

Timing : 09:00 am – to 12:00 pm

Venue: Magnolia, IHC

Time	Film Details	Synopsis
09:00 am	<b>Badalte Nakshe - Changing Maps</b>   Hindi and English   2012   00:23:30 Student Films   Nitya Menon, Nithila Kanagasabai, Archana Sadar and Likokba	The film talks about how do adolescents of the present generation make meaning of inherited narratives of violence from what they hear and see – through popular culture, text books etc.
09:25 am	<b>Lila</b>   English   2012   00:28:18 Ipshita Tara Das	The film explores the life of Claude Lila Parulekar, who runs the Jeev Raksha Animal Welfare Trust. She has transformed her bungalow into a shelter for homeless animals, while she uses the little space of her bathroom as her living room.
09:55 am	<b>Bheka</b>   Marathi   2013   00:27:59   Student Films Vipul Mahapurush	Two brothers and the universal question, does God exist? Thousand of gods exist in India, yet people do not see a single one of them. Following this conflict of heart and mind, the story is about the choices that are placed in front of us.
10:25 am	<b>Daane Daane Pe</b>   English, Hindi and Tamil   2013   00:28:00   Student Films Mridula Chari, Nithila Kanagasaba, Nitya Menon and Krishna Panchal	Migrants bring their own identities to cities that are manifested and re-interpreted through food. The film shows continuity of old legends, a hardening Mumbai city and formation of new identities, everything through the prism of food, vendors and food lovers.
10:55 am	<b>Gaur In My Garden</b>   English   2012   00:26:46   Environment Rita Banerji	The film 'Gaur in My Garden' looks at human-animal interactions and conflicts arising in Kotagiri, Nilgiris– one of the key biodiversity hotspots in India.
11:30 am	<b>Saba</b>   English   2012   00:15:00   Iran   Gender Roqiye Tavakoli	A young woman's sister passes away; she begins to take care of her niece and her life takes an unexpected turn.
12:00 pm	<b>Breaking The Silence</b>   English   2012   00:31:00   Gender Ishani K. Dutta	The film looks at sexual harassment at the workplace, focusing on the transport sector workers. The film aims to bring awareness on this topic, and inspire women to get the courage to speak out.

## DAY 2 : December 20, 2013 (Friday)

Timing : 09:00 am – 07:00 pm

Venue: Gulmohar, IHC

Time	Film Details	Synopsis
09:00 am	<b>We Gay We Gay Dhaau</b>   English   2013   00:10:00   Student Films Shoneel Shrikant Yallattikar	It is an experimental short film which speaks about the nature of media and its consumption.
09:12 am	<b>Moones</b>   2010   00:15:00   Iran   Gender Afsaneh Mohtashami	The gentle rhythm of the everyday life of a couple who seek to have a child but can't.
09:30 am	<b>Believe</b>   English   2013   00:09:22   Documentary Tanush Singh	This documentary shows the transformative journey of a Teach For India Fellow Vijay Roy as well as of the teachers and students of Shree Geeta Vidyalaya, Shivaji Nagar, Mumbai.
09:40 am	<b>Bonding With Birds</b>   English   2013   00:24:00   Films for Children Suresh Elamon	Set in Koonthakulam Bird Sanctuary in Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu, this film is an avian narrative with Pal Pandey and his grandson Selvam as the main characters.
10:10 am	<b>Romeo Spikes</b>   English   2012   00:04:22   Animation   K D Shybu	The film is inspired from the life and mysterious death of Nirvana's Kurt Cobain.
10:15 am	<b>A Commons Story</b>   English and Hindi   2013   00:30:00   Student Films Ananda Siddhartha, Epti Pattnaik, Piyush Garud and Pratik Bhakta	Set in Rajasthan, the film explores the issue of the commons in three villages – Achalpur, Thoria and Sanjari Ka Badiya. These villages are among several others which have started the process of regeneration and conservation of common lands.
10:50 am	<b>Two Women and a Camera</b>   English   2012   00:33:00   Gender Madiha Adnan & Nazish Sajjad	The two filmmakers live in the city of Mardan in Khyber Pakhtunistan. They decide to pick up a camera and record their lives in a region where the Taliban holds sway and everyone's freedom is deeply affected.
11:25 am	<b>June</b>   Bengali   2012   00:17:40   Livelihoods   Viplab Majumder	For June, a teenage prostitute in Bengal, silence was her voice as her life passed by in a blur. This is the story of June and her small steps towards her freedom.

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11:50 am	<b>Amidst Dark</b>   Hinglish   2013   00:11:00   Student Films B. Sohini Singh	When somebody leaves, could there be a loved one waiting for them at the other end? Here's how a woman driven to extreme sadness finds peace after revisiting her old memories.
12:05 pm	<b>Akkanathil - At That Moment</b>   Tamil   2013   00:27:00   Student Films Keerthinath . R	This is the story about two different sets of people (An IT couple and a relationship between father and son) from different backgrounds. At a certain point these two different lives and a plot involving an ATM robbery gets connected.
12:40 pm	<b>Lost</b>   Hindi and Gujarati   2013   00:05:57   Student Films Darpan Bajaj	The film is about a college youth who does not respect what he has but at the same time there is a kid who has a maturity level beyond his age. It justifies the phrase " value of anything is known when it is Lost".
12:50 pm	<b>School Fees</b>   English   2013   00:01:05   Social Advertising and PSAs Venkat Bharadwaj	This short film speaks about an illiterate fruit vendor, and a physically challenged person who helps him in improving his sales through a smart idea.
01:00 pm	<b>Share Care Joy</b>   Gujarati   2013   00:02:06   Social Advertising and PSAs Aatish Dabral	Sharing, caring and spreading joy are the core values which guides Naik Foundation efforts to work towards a better future. The video is the mirror of these values which it wishes to spread for social enrichment in public interest.
01:10 pm	<b>Majuli – A Unique Cultural Landscape</b>   English   2013   00:22:00   Religion and Culture   Someswar Bhowmik	Majuli's Sattras possess a vast repository of cultural capital. The most important of these are medieval manuscripts written on sanchi pat. Besides manuscripts, the Sattras are veritable storehouses for medieval artefacts.
01:35 pm	<b>Take Back The Fight</b>   English and Gujarati   2013   00:27:43   Student Films Mrinal Singh	The film looks at three women, a martial arts instructor, a college student and a PR professional as they make their way through various public spaces in Mumbai.
02:05 pm	<b>Jal Dindi - An Experience</b>   Hindi   2012   00:30:09   Religion and Culture Amit Bane	Based on the age old famous holy tradition of Pandharpur Wari (Pilgrimage) in Maharashtra, a group of devotees go on a similar pilgrimage with the Palanquin of Saint Dynaneshwar, but through rivers, called ' Jal Dindi'.
02:40 pm	<b>A Dance To Forget</b>   English   2012   00:26:00   Livelihoods Rita Banerji	This film is about the rehabilitation of Kalandar community. The story is about their transition from this banned profession to new livelihood choices like farming, bakery etc and providing stable incomes for their families.

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03:15 pm	<b>Shifting Undercurrents - Women Seaweed Collectors of Gulf of Mannar</b>   English   2012   00:20:00   Livelihoods   Rita Banerji	The 5,000-odd women, who free-dive to collect seaweed in the Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park off the south Indian state of Tamil Nadu, find themselves struggling for their livelihoods as their activities have been greatly curtailed.
03:45 pm	<b>Credits V/s Carbon Credits</b>   Hindi   2012   00:21:41   Livelihoods   Bharati Chaturvedi	The film explores the effects of large projects vying for carbon credits on the livelihoods of waste pickers. It chronicles the journey of two waste workers from New Delhi: Aasma Bibi and Jai Prakash Choudhary aka Santu.
04:15 pm	<b>Mission Thiruvannamiyur</b>   Tamil   2013   00:15:00   Student Films   Hari	The film revolves around three old people, Thatha paati, Patalathan and Jhansi, who plan to break the fences of the old age home to fulfill their wish of wishing their granddaughter a happy birthday, in person, at sharp 12 o' clock.
04:35 pm	<b>Firaaq - A Keen Desire</b>   Hindi   2012   00:10:15   Student Films   Prachi Chhabra and Apoorva Paliwal	Firaaq is the story of a woman, her dreams and aspirations. She has the courage to dream big despite the challenges she faces in her everyday life; those challenges which the world inflicts on her because of her past.
04:50 pm	<b>Mazha Peyyumbol - When It Rains</b>   Malayalam   2013   00:08:14   Films for Children   Sunil Raj	The film underlines the fact that exposing children to the nature is the best way to instill an interest in them about the environment. Once a genuine interest is cultivated, they would remain attached to the nature and protect her.
05:05 pm	<b>City of Tears</b>   English   2013   00:09:30   Student Films   Siddhant Joshi	The film focuses on the livelihood problems faced by migrant labourers, who move to urban areas and big cities in search of better living and source of income. But they don't know what is in-store for them and the hardships that they have to face.
05:20 pm	<b>Riding For High Alert</b>   English   2012   00:07:55   Environment   Raoul Amaar Abbas	On the 22nd of January 2012, Swechha, a youth focused and youth run NGO organised the 1st Yamuna Cyclothon, gathering hundreds of likeminded individuals, who volunteered for and cycled the length of Delhi's lifeline river, the Yamuna.
05:30 pm	<b>Goonga Pehelwan</b>   Hindi and English   2013   00:58:00   Documentary   Mit Jani, Pratek Gupta and Vivek Chaudhary	A documentary that follows India's most successful deaf athlete on his unlikely quest to reach the Rio Olympics 2016 and become only the second deaf wrestler in the history of the Olympics to do so.
07:00 pm	<b>As The River Flows</b>   Hindi and Assamese   2012   01:102:00   Bidyut Kotoky	Produced by NFDC, the film revolves around a Mumbai-based journalist, played by Sanjay Suri, who reaches Majuli in search of a friend who disappeared from the island seven years ago.

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09:00 am	<b>Majuli-Harboursing A Delicate Ecosystem</b>   English   2012   00:17:00 Religion and Culture   Someswar Bhowmik	Majuli's ecosystem consists of a unique variety of flora and fauna. But gradually, human settlements have done extensive damage to Majuli's delicate ecosystem and it is also equally ravaged by floods and erosion.
09:30 am	<b>The Story of Coal</b>   English   2012   00:05:00   Environment Avinash Kumar Singh	Greenpeace activist, Brikesh Singh embarks on a journey to discover the true impact of coal. By the end of his journey, he explores the alternatives –initiatives which promise to produce uninterrupted clean, renewable energy.
09:40 am	<b>Bharatmata Ki Jai - Long Live Bharatmata</b>   English, Hindi and Marathi 2012   00:27:00   Student Films  Avadhoot, Shweta, Amol, Arpita and Anurag	At the heart of Mumbai's mill country, Lalbaug-Parel, stands Bharatmata Cinema, one of the remaining single screen theatres showing Marathi films exclusively.
10:10 am	<b>Boxing Ladies</b>   English   2010   00:26:00   Gender Anusha Nandakumar	Zainab, Bushra and Sughra are sisters and they are national level boxers. The film is a story of this incredible family of women, of their strong will to survive in society and make a mark.
10:40 am	<b>Gundert - The Man, The Language</b>   Malayalam   2012   00:25:00   Religion and Culture   Sanju Surendran	This film explores the life and times of Hermann Gundert- a German Missionary, who came to India about 175 years ago. He learnt most of the Indian Languages, brought out a Dictionary in Malayalam and contributed immensely to the History, Culture and Language of India.
11:05 am	<b>The Forest Man of India</b>   Assamese and English   2013   00:11:12 Environment   Ankur Didwania	Year ago, a teenager at an age of 17 wandered in the forest of Aruna Chapri village of Jorhat District planting saplings to save the flora and fauna. Today, the area has become a massive forest and a herd of around 100 elephants regularly visits the forest every year.
11:20 am	<b>Daawa - Rope</b>   Marathi   2013   00:18:45   Student Films Aashutosh Bhosekar	'Daawa', by definition is the rope used to tie household bulls in rural regions of Maharashtra. The film revolves around Taanya, a youth from a small village, who realises that life is nothing but a journey connecting two voids - beginning and the end.

## DAY 3 : December 21, 2013 (Saturday)

Time	Film Details	Synopsis
11:40 am	<b>Abdu</b>   Malayalam   2013   00:20:00   Films for Children Varun G Panicker	'Abdu' is the story of friendship between a small boy and a goat bought by his father. His father, however, had actually bought it as an offering to the mosque. So after one year, when the goat is taken away from home, the boy feels lost and falls ill.
12:05 pm	<b>Tiger Dynasty</b>   English   2011   00:58:00   Wildlife   S. Nallamuthu	Baghani, a young tigress is airlifted from her home in Ranthambore National Park to Sariska National Park to found a new dynasty where all the previous 24 tigers were wiped out by poachers. She has company in Rajore, a hot blooded male. How will they fare in their new surroundings? Will they survive?
01:05 pm	<b>Punjab: Let's Make It Drug Free</b>   Punjabi   2012   00:05:00 Student Films   Navkiran Kaur	There is a major drug problem in Punjab causing loss of many lives. Children of Guru Nanak Foundation Public School stand up and take charge against this life threatening issue through this 5 minute film.
01:20 pm	<b>The Thirsty Crow</b>   Hindi   2013   00:07:00   Animation for a better world Snehasis Das	The crow of the age old story holds the maximum significance for the current generation of human civilizations which have not only started to forget the 'crow and water' story but also the very importance of water conservation.
01:35 pm	<b>B'day Gift</b>   Hindi   2013   00:22:20   Short Fiction   Sundieep Arya	A terrorist takes shelter at a home amidst a curfew night and incidentally finds that all the five occupants including a child whose B'day is celebrated are actually victims who have lost their relatives in Delhi serial Bomb blasts on the same day 7 years back. Family's emotional ordeal transforms him overnight as he was the mastermind of that serial blasts.
02:00 pm	<b>Curfew</b>   English   2012   00:19:00   Short Fiction   Shawn Christensen	At the lowest point of his life, Richie gets a call from his estranged sister, asking him to look after his nine-year old niece, Sophia, for a few hours.
02:20 pm	<b>Faith Revisited</b>   English   2012   00:25:00   Environment Ishani K. Dutta	India traditionally nurtures an environmentally sensitive philosophy. It's evident through the culturally rich nation's breath-taking variety of religious and epic texts – that contain within them one of the earliest messages in the world for preservation of environmental and ecological balance.
02:55 pm	<b>Jyotirgamay - From Darkness To Light</b>   Marathi and English   2012   00:18:50   Education   Gauri Warudi	Poverty and lack of educational facilities deprives many children in India from their right to education and progress. However, there are many unsung heroes and organizations who are tirelessly working to provide education to children from the lower economic strata and rural areas.

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03:20 pm	<b>Where There Are No Roads</b>   English   2013   00:38:00   Health Maulee Senapati	A unique experiment rides the waves of the Brahmaputra river in Assam, where a major innovative health campaign reaches some of the most marginalized and poorest communities in India who live on hundreds of islands, inaccessible and isolated, unknown and unheard.
04:05 pm	<b>Breakin' Mumbai</b>   Hindi   2012   00:34:00   Student Films Aakriti, Siam, Sandeep, Shweta and Sumit	Breaking, a dance form that started back in the 70s in the Bronx, New York, finds its way to the streets of Mumbai and is appropriated by the youth of the city and has molded itself to fit into their everyday lives.
04:45 pm	<b>The Delhi Boy</b>   Hindi   2013   00:06:16   Student Films Anubhav Singh	'The Delhi Boy' is story of a typical rich spoiled Delhi brat and how his psychology towards women takes a turn with the events that follow up.
05:00 pm	<b>Duhita - My Daughter</b>   Hindi   2013   00:15:22   Student Films Nandita Anand	'Duhita' is a short fiction film on a rape victim's family. The film gives a message that a rape survivor can live a normal life by overcoming the trauma, only if she is helped by good people and treated well.
05:20 pm	<b>A Walk To Educate</b>   English   2013   00:21:18   Student Films Alokesh Sharma	The film captures the efforts of Teach for India in the educational sector. It tries to bring to the fore what the fellows in Teach for India feel about education in India and how they are trying to improve the scenario at their level by being transformational teachers in their class rooms.
05:45 pm	<b>Jaunsaris Rhythm &amp; Resonance</b>   English   2013   00:08:47   Religion and Culture   Ajay Sharma	Ultrakhand-The Dev Bhoomi has been the abode of various tribal. Jaunsar Bawar tribe is one of the prominent tribal communities of this region.The film depicts their day to day life and the 'Bhoodi Diwali' celebrations.
06:00 pm	<b>Chambal Gharial Crisis</b>   English   2011   00:26:00   Environment Ajay Bedi and Vijay Bedi	A disease struck at the core habitat of the Chambal Sanctuary which killed hundreds of Gharials. The Film – through onsite navigations – attempts to ascertain the cause of the deaths.
07:00 pm	<b>Les Brumes De Manengouba</b>   French (with Eng subtitles)   2007 00:52:00   Guillaume De Ginestel and Jean-Thomas Renaud	In Cameroon, in the heart of a lost world,there is a tropical forest that is inundated with endemic plants. This area is also one of the few sanctuaries in the world which are home to great apes called Drills. The film immerses you in this enchanting region and takes you on a discovery of the flora and fauna.

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