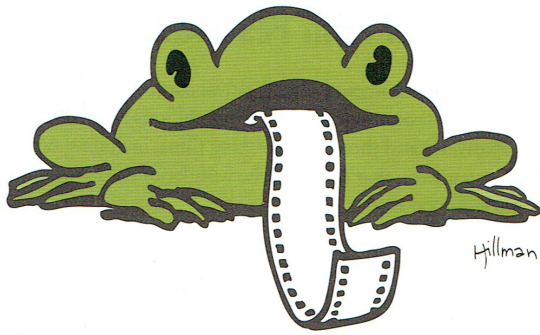


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ENVIRONMENTAL FILM FESTIVAL IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL

MARCH 16 - 28, 2010

155 documentary, feature, animated, archival, experimental and children's films

Most screenings include discussion and are free

Special Pre-Festival events on March 9 and 10



Thursday, March 25

BON APPÉTIT MONSIEUR SOLEIL



Lapilli Films

SOLAR ENERGY FOR LIFE* (Madagascar, 2009, 11 min.) Solar oven construction and use provided by ADES, a Swiss-Madagascar NGO is changing local cooking practices and reducing the use of charcoal and firewood for cooking daily meals. The film shows Madagascar's unique biodiversity and wildlife environment where endemic animals are threatened by deforestation. *Produced for the "Association pour le Développement de l'Énergie Solaire" Directed by Elfi Letterman-Kaba.*

BON APPÉTIT MONSIEUR SOLEIL* (France, 2006, 22 min.) Solar cookers introduced by a network of NGOs in Burkina Faso protect the forest cover that remains in this small West African country. *Directed by Boris Claret and Jan Sitta and co-produced by Lapilli Films. A prize-winning film from the Bourges Environmental Film Festival 2006.*

Introduced by Chris Palmer, Professor, American University. Discussion with Louise Meyer, Founder and Board Member of Solar Household Energy, and Pat McArdle, Board Member of Solar Household Energy and Solar Cookers International, follows screening.

FREE

American University, Wechsler Theatre, Mary Graydon Center, 4400 Massachusetts Ave., NW (Metro: Tenleytown/AU, Shuttle bus service to AU)