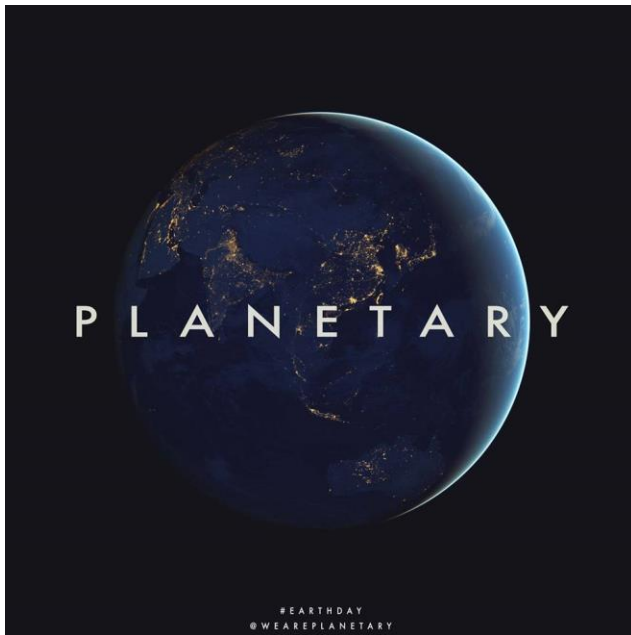


IN CELEBRATION OF EARTH DAY,
JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER SCREENS *PLANETARY*

JBFC Is One 75 Theaters Nationwide Screening on April 22

April 9, 2015 – Pleasantville, NY – As part of its “Focus on Nature” film series, the Jacob Burns Film Center (JBFC) will screen the newly-released film [Planetary](#) on Earth Day, Wednesday, April 22 at 7:30 pm. The screening will be followed by a Q&A with acclaimed nature cinematographer Andrew Young and JBFC Programming Director Brian Ackerman.



The film, which had its world premiere at SXSW Film Festival 2015, presents a stunning visual portrait of our Earth, taking the viewer on a journey across continents from the African Savannah to the Himalayas, and from the heart of Tokyo to the view of our fragile planet from space. Through interviews with NASA astronauts, environmentalists, and philosophers, the film shows that the solution to transforming our civilization lies in an understanding that all life is inseparably interconnected, and that we cannot transform our civilization unless we change the way we see ourselves, the world, and the wider cosmos we are embedded within.

Planetary filmmaker Guy Reid was the international artist in residence at the JBFC in the fall of 2014 where he completed post-production on the film. JBFC Founder Steve

Apkon serves as the film’s Executive Producer.

In support of Earth Day, the short Minds in Motion animated film, *The Fuel Fiasco*, will be played before *Planetary*. The animated film was created by fourth graders from the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Westchester and highlights the need to take care of our planet and all its creatures.

The “Focus on Nature” series is made possible through the generosity of the Hoch family and the van Hengel Family Fund.

The [Jacob Burns Film Center](#) is a nonprofit cultural arts organization dedicated to: presenting the best of independent, documentary, and world cinema; promoting 21st century literacy, and making film a vibrant part of the community. Located on a 47,500 sq. foot, three-building campus in the center of Pleasantville, the JBFC is just 30 miles outside of New York City. Since opening in 2001, it has drawn over 2 million people to see over 5,400 films from 40-plus countries. The campus includes the 27,000 sq. foot Media Arts Lab, the JBFC's state-of-the-art education center, a creative and educational community for storytellers in the digital age, offering one-time workshops, multi-week intensive courses, and weekend programs for children and adults of all ages.

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