

Rights Action
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Films/ Videos - Honduras

Links to films and videos addressing territory, environmental, human rights defense struggles Rights Action supports in Honduras.

Pull-out films

Berta Vive (2016)

On March 2016, the assassination of Berta Cáceres shook the world. Gustavo Castro, Mexican environmental activist witnessed the crime and survived the horror of that night but was then trapped in Honduras. The defense against the construction of a dam at the Gualcarque River is the preface to this story. We follow Miriam Miranda, leader of the Garífuna people as well as a friend and comrade of Berta. Both women share the struggle for decolonization in a country that is being sold to transnational capital and where death is delivered in so many different ways.

<https://vimeo.com/229310580>

Lands To Die For: The Garifuna Struggle In Honduras (December 20, 2016)

CCTV Americas 35 minute film about violent and corrupt challenges facing the Garifuna people, lead by the OFRANEH organization, in the context of the violence and repression, impunity and corruption that characterize the Honduran military, economic and political elites and their international partners.

<http://www.cctv-america.com/2016/12/20/lands-to-die-for-the-garifuna-struggle-in-honduras>

Story Behind the Story: What Aura Minerals didn't want us to see in Azacualpa (2017)

Short film by Maggie Padlewska.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T1uY6E6zs7Q>

General

Honduras Mass Protests: Grahame Russell of Rights Action (2019)

In this TeleSUR interview, Grahame Russell, director of Rights Action, discusses why large-scale demonstrations continue in Tegucigalpa and throughout Honduras, beyond the two-day national strike which had been called by numerous sectors. We also ask why the government of Juan Orlando Hernandez has been characterized as 'illegitimate', 'fraudulent' and a 'dictatorship' by the opposition and supporters, and why the political situation has received minimal coverage in the mainstream media. Grahame also touches on the government's handling of the environment and indigenous rights, and the role the U.S. and Canadian governments play while multinationals based in the north, create harmful living situations for Honduran communities.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xElvLkJ77po&fbclid=IwAR3PQ_FqOLRv1zykaYECchHxzbXhJ5MrDMG3X0c7zbVwsWk1iyg66nMQ-s

Aura Minerals – Azacualpa community defense and resistance struggle

“Where even the dead can’t rest” (2019)

Short film by Trocaire, about Canadian/U.S. mining company Aura Minerals illegally digging up bodies for gold in Honduras.

<https://vimeo.com/365482741>

La Fiera de Azacualpa: Resistiendo la avaricia y destrucción de Aura Minerals (2019)

Permitimos que nos roban hasta la muerte? En la comunidad de Azacualpa, en La Unión, Copán, la empresa estadounidense-canadiense Aura Minerals/MINOSA ha emprendido un ataque contra el Cerro El Cementerio, el panteón que hace más de doscientos años alberga los ancestros de Azacualpa y sus alrededores. Mujeres y hombres de la comunidad luchan para proteger su patrimonio de la fiera del extractivismo.

<https://youtu.be/o42NDTlgAFM>

Berta Caceres – Assassination of Berta Caceres and attempted killing of Gustavo Castro

Who is David Castillo? What is his role in the killing of Berta Cáceres (August 27, 2020)

Short film by COPINH. The evidence linking Castillo is clear. He is the link between the intellectual authors and the criminal structure that executed the crime. The trial will reveal the Atala family's participation in the crime.

<https://twitter.com/i/status/1299125954829320193>

4 Years Seeking Justice (January 17, 2020)

Democracy Now interview with a daughter of assassinated Indigenous leader Berta Cáceres.

https://www.democracynow.org/2020/1/17/berta_caceres_laura_caceres_interview

The Life and Death of Berta Cáceres (2020)

In 2016, environmental activist Berta Cáceres was shot dead in her home in Honduras. This film by Trocaire features interviews with Berta's daughter, sister and mother.

<https://vimeo.com/390771524>

Berta's Daughters Speak (2019)

Berta Cáceres was killed for defending the river on which Indigenous communities depend. Her daughters continue that struggle, despite the risks – as witnessed in this Amnesty International interview.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sMdXkXR7U6k&feature=youtu.be>

Austra Berta Flores, mother of Berta Caceres, speaks

Calling on international community to demand the truth, so that those who paid and ordered the murder of her daughter be prosecuted.

<https://oxfam.app.box.com/s/ygf6fvpl9fg08znt7irav78jjp44lz1>

Dos años después de su asesinato: Berta Cáceres no se murió, se multiplicó (2018)

<https://www.franceameriquelatine.org/6370-2/>

Assassination of Berta Cáceres: repression, impunity, corruption & profitable businesses in Honduras (April 4, 2017)

This Wide Angle interview with Grahame Russell addresses the assassination of Berta Cáceres; the U.S. and Canadian backed 2009 military coup; U.S. and Canadian business interests with the post-military coup regimes; and why so many Hondurans flee to the U.S. year after year.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVMsJyMIIrw&t=83s&list=PLztbi9KA9roUoj_SKm_cehOB_LWo9uTFW&index=25

Honduras: Blood and the Water (September 2016)

AlJazeera Faultlines 25 minute report on assassination of Indigenous, anti-imperialist, feminist, environmental activist Berta Cáceres.

<http://www.aljazeera.com/programmes/faultlines/2016/09/honduras-blood-water-160920064355648.html>

Berta Cáceres: In Her Own Words / En sus propias palabras (2016)

Based on a 2012 interview we did with the Honduran environmental activist and co-founder of the Council of Indigenous People's Organizations of Honduras (COPINH).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KjM81tYBew4>

<https://skylight.is/2016/03/berta-caceres-in-her-own-words>

Berta Cáceres - Goldman Prize (April 19, 2015)

In a country with growing socioeconomic inequality and human rights violations, Berta Cáceres rallied the indigenous Lenca people of Honduras and waged a grassroots campaign that successfully pressured the world's largest dam builder to pull out of the Agua Zarca Dam. She is the South & Central America winner of the 2015 Goldman Environmental Prize, the world's largest award for grassroots environmental activists.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zh9Sn9oJR94&feature=youtu.be>

Berta Cáceres acceptance speech - Goldman Prize (2015)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AR1kwx8b0ms&feature=youtu.be%C2%A0>

OFRANEH and Garifuna people

La lucha de las mujeres garífunas en Honduras (December 13, 2019)

Las mujeres del pueblo garífuna de Honduras defienden sus territorios ancestrales y el medio ambiente, a pesar de la criminalización y los asesinatos de sus compañeras. Este reportaje de DW fue realizado con el apoyo de International Women's Media Foundation, como parte de la iniciativa Adelante.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YfzT5RH2rfk&feature=youtu.be>

Conversation with Miriam Miranda of OFRANEH (June 9, 2016)

Interview by Warwick Fry

<http://us9.campaign-archive1.com/?u=ea011209a243050dfb66dff59&id=c7aadc14f1>

Canadian Porn King on Trial in Honduras (November 13, 2015)

Short film by Lazar Konforti documenting how Randy Jorgensen, the 'porn king', appeared in court on charges of illegally appropriating ancestral Garifuna lands.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wWqoB5GTfm8>

El 'Rey del Porno' enjuiciado por usurpación de tierras Garífunas en Honduras (Noviembre 2015)

El inversionista Canadiense Randy Jorgensen, alias 'El Rey del Porno', compareció ante el Juzgado de Letras en Trujillo, Honduras para contestar a cargos de transacciones ilegales y usurpación de tierras ancestrales Garífuna. La corte adoptó un 'sobreseimiento provisional', lo que significa que hay que buscar más pruebas antes de pasar a un juicio pleno, pero las comunidades Garífunas afectadas sospechan corrupción judicial y dicen que van a apelar la decisión. Jorgensen todavía corre el riesgo de perder todas sus inversiones.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN9ruYKjful>

Goldcorp – Siria Valley community defense and resistance struggle

All That Glitters Isn't Gold: A Story Of Exploitation and Resistance (2008)

By Steven Schnoor, this 10 minute trailer (of the hour-long documentary, "All That Glitters Isn't Gold) documents health harms and other violations people have suffered, residing near Goldcorp Inc's open-pit/ mountain-top removal, cyanide-leaching gold mine in Honduras' Siria Valley.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-tmqXc5rX8s>

No todo lo que brilla es oro (2008)

Hecho por Steven Schnoor. El Valle de Siria en Honduras fue hogar de la mina a cielo abierto más grande del país. La mina de oro y plata, que se llama "San Martín," es propiedad de la compañía canadiense Goldcorp y ha dejado enormes daños en las comunidades cercanas desde que ella comenzó a operar en el año 2000. Miembros de las comunidades discuten las graves daños que ellos han sufrido desde que ésta comenzó a operar -- desde problemas de salud hasta la falta de agua, disputando aserciones de Goldcorp que la mina San Martín ha sido un modelo de desarrollo que no ha causado ningún efecto adverso.

https://youtu.be/fS0_N3DS4YA

Real Costs of Gold Mining: Goldcorp in Honduras (2008)

This short film documents villagers from the Siria Valley, Honduras, speaking about health harms caused by Goldcorp's "San Martín" mountain-top removal, cyanide-leaching gold mine.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TxLAzy3YT8>

Please send questions, comments my way

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