



Marda Loop Justice Film Festival Presents:

Saving Mes Aynak

Release Year: 2014

Runtime: 60 minutes

Director: Brent E. Huffman

Producer: Xiaoli Zhou

Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V8_EGRxK3UM#action=share

Synopsis: Saving Mes Aynak follows Afghan archaeologist Qadir Temori as he races against time to save a 5,000-year-old archaeological site in Afghanistan from imminent demolition. A Chinese state-owned mining company is closing in on the ancient site, eager to harvest \$100 billion dollars worth of copper buried directly beneath the archaeological ruins.

Conversation Leader: Nicholas David is an Emeritus Professor of Archaeology at the University of Calgary. He directed a major program of archaeological and ethnographic research in Central Africa from 1984 to 2008, and was involved in inscription of the Sukur Cultural Landscape (Nigeria) on the UNESCO World Heritage list. He is actively engaged in the work of the Boko Haram Victims Relief non-profit corporation.

Chris Shank is a wildlife biologist living in Cochrane. He was the Provincial Biodiversity Specialist for Alberta Fish and Wildlife and, since the 1970s, has worked off and on with the United Nations and the Wildlife Conservation Society on nature conservation projects in Afghanistan. The latest projects have been creation of Afghanistan's first national park, developing management plans for Afghan wildlife reserves, and, closer to home, assessing risks of Alberta's biodiversity to climate change.

When: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Where: River Park Church
3818 14a St SW
Calgary.AB

Cost: Free

Website: <http://www.justicefilmfestival.ca/>

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