



## International Conference Latin American and Caribbean Days

### Cultural segment - documentaries

19 – 23 April 2021

#### **A Life in Syntropy**

Documentary, 15 min 28 s

Language: Portuguese/English with English/Portuguese subtitles

"Life in Syntropy" is the new short film from Agenda Gotsch, made for presentation at COP21 - Paris. This film put together some of the most remarkable experiences in Syntropic Agriculture. It represents the results of research and experiments in the field by Ernst Götsch. With the understanding that the dynamics of natural succession should be incorporated into agriculture, favouring, as in a forest, the establishment of ecosystems with increasing levels of organization, he concluded that the health of the plant did not depend exclusively on the treatment given to it as an individual. It was necessary to consider the ecosystem as a whole, including intraspecific and interspecific relationships.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

#### **Biodiversity in the Tropical Forest (Part 1)**

Documentary, 24 min 59 s

Language: Slovenian with English subtitles

Television Slovenia in partnership with the National Institute of Biology presents the film about one of the top 'hot spots' of biological diversity on the planet, Costa Rica. The film tells the story about the formation of the tropic rainforest. Through the tropical fauna and flora we travel together with the two experts: Prof. Dr. Marina Dermastia from the National Institute of Biology and Prof. Dr. Tom Turk from the Faculty of Biotechnology of the University of Ljubljana.

Award of Excellence and Excellence in Cinematography at the Nature Without Borders 2020 International Film Festival.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

#### **Return to the Virgin Forest (Part 2)**

Documentary, 24 min 50 s

Language: Slovenian with English subtitles

Television Slovenia in partnership with the National Institute of Biology presents the film about one of the top 'hot spots' of biological diversity on the planet, Costa Rica. This is a film about reforesting of the tropical devastated landscape. The tropical





habitats lost to banana plantations in the past return to secondary tropical forest serving as corridors, allowing plants and animals to pass between remains of the primal forest.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **Cholita Libre: If you don't fight, you've already lost**

Documentary, 70 min

Language: Spanish with English subtitles

We get to know Rosita the Heartbreaker, Carmen Rosa the Champion, Yolanda the Passionate and Claudina the Condemned. What THEY want, THEY get. If THEY don't do it, nobody does it. THEY can lose but that just means, that they will continue fighting. With their colourful, glittering skirts THEY are like flowers on the tarmac. And of course, THEY are stronger than all the men in the world. THEY are Cholitas and they are wrestlers.

Prize of the Jury at the Mujeres en Foco 2010 Film Festival

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **Forests and Climate Change**

Documentary, 24 min 55 s

Language: Slovenian with English subtitles

Television Slovenia in partnership with the Slovenian Forestry Institute presents the film about Slovenian forests as a precious natural resource and efforts to preserve it for future generations. Natural disasters have damaged the forests in Slovenia in the past decade as a start warning that adaptations in the forest composition are urgent to adjust to the inevitable changes in temperature and humidity, strong winds and floods.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **Icaros**

Documentary, 70 min 50 s

Language: Shipibo with English subtitles

Icaros explores the spiritual universe of the Shipibo indigenous people who live by the river Ucayali, one of the main tributaries of the Peruvian Amazon. Young Moka Rono sets out on a journey to discover the ancestral knowledge of ayahuasca, mentored by a wise shaman and by his mother, a master healer.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **I Miss Brazil**

Documentary, 112 min 18 s





Language: French and Portuguese, with English subtitles

Reenactment of the experience that the French anthropologist and ethnologist Claude Lévi-Strauss had in his early career in Brazil, from 1935 to 1939. In addition to an interview with Lévi-Strauss himself, the documentary includes the testimonies of Brazilian literature professor Antônio Cândido, Jean Malaurie, Manuela Carneiro, Eduardo Viveiros de Castro et alli. The film also interviews Brazilian music superstar

Caetano Veloso, an avid reader of the father of Structuralism who quoted him in one of his songs.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **The Possibility of Spirits**

Essay film, 71 min 21 s

Language: Portuguese and English with English subtitles

Anthropologist Mattijs van de Port was brought up to believe that spirits do not exist. Spirits are mere figments of the imagination. People who believe in them have somehow missed out on the true nature of things. Years of research on Candomblé, an Afro-Brazilian religion, taught him the limits of such euro-centric definitions of the possible and the impossible. 'The Possibility of Spirits' is an essay film that seeks to keep the mystery of spirits centre stage. It invites viewers to let themselves be confused and – in that confusion – consider the possibility of spirits.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **The Stone Dream**

Documentary, 50 min 57 s

Language: Portuguese with English subtitles

This documentary traces the thoughts and trajectories of Ailton Krenak, an indigenous leader and thinker born in Minas Gerais state, a descendant of the Krenak ethnic group, formerly called Botocudos. After studying in São Paulo, Ailton was active in the defence of indigenous peoples. When traveling through Brazil and the world, he became a kind of ambassador for the original Brazilian cultures. The film features images and testimonies of Ailton at different times in his life, as well as other characters that are part of his universe.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

### **The Traditional System of Corongo's Water Judges**

Documentary, 9 min 59 s

Language: Spanish with English subtitles

The city of Corongo is located in the Andes mountain range in northern Peru. Water is a vital element of its people, mainly devoted to farming and husbandry activities. Their traditional system of water judges has been an enduring organization of upkeep





of the canal system and distributing water among the people based on the principles of justice and equity. This pre-Hispanic legacy of water and land stewardship, sets an example for modern environmental sustainability. It was inscribed on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 2017.

You can watch documentary [HERE](#).

