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Women's History Month on WORLD Channel

4 New Films Feature Women Breaking Barriers and Fighting for Equality Across the Globe

February 8, 2019 – Celebrating Women's History Month in March, [WORLD Channel](#) will feature over 60 films showcasing the stories of women who have defied traditional social standards to fight for equal rights, offering four new documentary films for U.S. audiences.

The month begins with an exclusive streaming of *Warrior Women* on February 25th, and the broadcast premiere on Monday, March 4 at 8:00pm ET on WORLD Channel. *Warrior Women* is the untold story of American Indian Movement activists, who fought for civil rights in the 1970s, and the children who served as their inspiration and cohorts. The film follows one of the Red Power Movement's most outspoken Lakota leaders, Madonna Thunder Hawk, and her daughter Marcy Gilbert.

The month continues with the broadcast premieres of three new films in the *Doc World* series, which brings international documentaries to an audience hungry for deep dives into cultures outside U.S. borders. *¡Las Sandinista!* which airs on Sunday, March 10, at 10:00pm ET, profiles the women who fought in Nicaragua's Sandinista Revolution and their continuing struggle for justice.

In *Facing the Dragon*, Afghan-American filmmaker Sedika Mojadidi joins two inspirational women on the front lines as the U.S. withdraws forces and aid from Afghanistan. As the Taliban regains its hold, the stability of the country's fragile democracy is unclear. *Facing the Dragon* airs on Sunday, March 17, at 10:00pm ET.

Finally, the broadcast premiere of *Daze of Justice* tells the story of trailblazing Cambodian-American women who break decades of silence and leave the security of their American homes to journey back into Cambodia's killing fields. This time not as victims but as witnesses, they are determined to resurrect the memories of loved ones before the UN Special Tribunal prosecuting the Khmer Rouge. *Daze of Justice* will air on Sunday, March 24, at 10:00pm ET.



“Empowering women to share unique stories, like surviving battlefields and seeking justice in the films premiering this month, is a mission here at WORLD throughout the year,” said WGBH and WORLD Channel General Manager Liz Cheng. “With a festival of films by and about women, we hope to highlight the courage and accomplishments of those making a profound difference around the globe.

WORLD Channel will feature 60+ film documentaries featuring women throughout the month of March such as *Keeper of the Beat: A Woman’s Journey into the Heart of Drumming*, *Reel South: First Lady of the Revolution*, and *Wings for Maggie Ray*. For a complete list of films broadcasting in March for Women’s History Month click [here](#).

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About DocWorld

Doc World airs Sundays at 10pm ET on WORLD Channel and is available to stream on worldchannel.org and all station -branded PBS platforms including PBS.org, and on PBS apps for iOS, Android, Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV and Chromecast. *Doc World* is produced and curated by WORLD Channel. For more information or to view a trailer, visit worldchannel.org

About WORLD Channel

WORLD Channel tells stories that humanize complex issues. WORLD shares the best of public media in news, documentaries and fact-based informational programming that helps us understand conflicts, movements and cultures that may be distinct from our own. WORLD's original content offers a national platform to makers examining issues too often ignored by mainstream media. These emerging and master filmmakers spotlight a diversity of voices, telling stories not heard elsewhere. WORLD has won a Peabody Award, an Alfred I. duPont-Columbia Award and numerous national honors—including an RTNDA Kaleidoscope Award, a Media for a Just Society Award, two Lesbian & Gay Journalist Awards, a Gracie and an Asian American Journalists Award. Carried by 156 partner stations in markets representing almost 67% of US TV Households, WORLD can also be experienced via WORLDChannel.org and social media platforms. Major Funding provided by the [Corporation for Public Broadcasting](#), the The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the [Wyncote Foundation](#), the National Endowment for the Arts and WORLD Channel public media stations.



New Films - Full Descriptions

Warrior Women – in partnership with VisionMaker Media – February 25th Stream, (March 4th, 8pm ET on WORLD Channel)

Warrior Women is the untold story of American Indian Movement activists who fought for civil rights in the 1970s. Together they weathered some of the most turbulent battles for Native sovereignty in the modern era: Thunder Hawk as an activist and her daughter, Marcy, as a teenager growing up and sharing her mother with a movement that was bigger than either of them. Now, forty years later, Madonna is moving into the twilight of her life, fighting the inevitable slowing down. She constantly wonders to whom she will ‘pass the torch.’ **Warrior Women** unveils not only their perspective on history, but also their real-life activism far beyond news coverage that will influence generations to come.

Doc World: ¡Las Sandinistas! – in partnership with ITVS (March 10, 10pm ET on WORLD Channel)

¡Las Sandinistas! uncovers the nearly forgotten stories of women who shattered barriers to lead combat and social reform during Nicaragua’s 1979 Sandinista Revolution, as these same women continue to struggle for justice today against government suppression of women’s rights and democracy. The film is centered around the personal stories of Dora Maria Téllez, the young medical student who became a major Sandinista General, and four of her revolutionary allies. Together, these Nicaraguan women overcame traditional gender barriers and subverted stereotypes to lead rebel troops in 1979’s Sandinista Revolution, and then reshaped their country with landmark social reforms. *¡Las Sandinistas!* exposes a watershed moment in history when thousands of women transformed their society’s definition of womanhood and leadership before facing renewed marginalization by their male peers after the wars ended. Now, 35 years later, amidst staggering levels of violence against women in Nicaragua, and while their stories are being erased from the history books, these same women brave the streets, once again, to lead popular movements for equality and democracy.

Doc World: Facing the Dragon – in partnership with ITVS (March 17, 10pm ET on WORLD Channel)

Facing the Dragon is the story of two unconventional Afghan women, Nilofar, a member of parliament and Shakila, a television journalist. As American forces and aid leave Afghanistan, the country’s fragile democracy and recent gains for women hang in the balance, forcing Nilofar and Shakila to choose between motherhood and ambition amidst threats to their lives and families.

Doc World: Daze of Justice – in partnership with the Center for Asian American Media (March 24, 10pm ET on WORLD Channel)



Daze of Justice is the intimate story of American women who break decades of security of their American homes on a journey back to resurrect the memory of their murdered loved ones before the UN Special Tribunal prosecuting the Khmer Rouge. The film follows Dr. Leakhena Nou's research, taking the viewer beyond the Killing Fields. The women find the courage to remember their past; they generate a new vocabulary for reclaiming the past, while paving a path that offers the promise of redemption to future generations.