

# NEW VISION FOR EARTH FILM FESTIVAL

Alongside the GLF Nairobi 2023  
Hybrid Conference

## HOST A WATCH PARTY!

**11 September – 12 October 2023**

This September and October ahead of GLF Nairobi 2023, join leading filmmakers and activists for a series of selected documentaries, Q&A sessions and discussions to inspire you to turn your new vision for Earth into reality.

Enjoy the New Vision for Earth Film Festival with your friends, family, colleagues or community. Get inspired, learn and reflect on the solutions, challenges and experiences from the many stories you'll hear at the festival. What lessons can you take away from them to tackle your own local issues?

### Organize your watch party

Whether you are a party of two, 10 or 100 people, this festival offers myriad opportunities to explore the films and their themes, share your impressions and emotions, discuss potential solutions, and ask questions to experts during the live film festival discussions.

- 1. Visit the [festival page \(bit.ly/GLFFilmFestival2023\)](https://bit.ly/GLFFilmFestival2023)**, check the film and discussion schedule, and plan your screenings.
- 2. Invite your guests and spread the word:**
  - a. Promote your watch party online to grow your guest list.
  - b. Share photos and thoughts before, during and after the watch party.
  - c. Join the conversation on social media with the hashtags #GLFNairobi and #ThinkLandscape, and the handles [@GlobalLF](https://twitter.com/GlobalLF) (Twitter), [@GlobalLandscapesForum](https://www.facebook.com/GlobalLandscapesForum) (Facebook), [Global Landscapes Forum](https://www.instagram.com/GlobalLandscapesForum) (Instagram) and [Global Landscapes Forum \(GLF\)](https://www.linkedin.com/company/global-landscapes-forum) (LinkedIn)
- 3. Plan your resources** to welcome guests online or in person. Check the "resources" box below. Start by considering the following steps:
  - a. Decide if you are hosting a virtual or in-person gathering
  - b. If gathering virtually: create an online meeting using your favorite video meeting platform and stream the films and discussions.

- c. If gathering in person, access the festival page and use a projector or large TV to display films and panels.
  - d. Enter the festival page and register if necessary. It's free – all you need is internet access.
  - e. If possible, compile a list of local or global initiatives that your guests could explore after the watch party to help create a prosperous and sustainable future.
- 4. Food:** invite each person to bring something and remember to be mindful of the packaging and kitchenware you use. If possible, choose locally-grown produce and plant-rich recipes. Plan well to avoid food waste.
  - 5. Check-in:** create the right atmosphere with your watch party guests, be they friends or acquaintances, to learn new and interesting things about each other. Need some inspiration for warm up exercises? Check out some tips in the “warm-up exercises” box below.
  - 6. Think together:** draw on each person’s experience and skills to come up with new ideas. Inspire your guests, encourage feedback and remember to listen attentively to others. Get inspired by the “thinking together tips” box below.
  - 7. Watch the films and discussions you selected.** Be sure to interact with panel audiences and guests through the chat box that will be available for each film and discussion through the festival platform .
  - 8. Interact:** chat with the Q&A and panel audiences and send questions to the moderators through the chat box next to the video feature on the film festival platform and on social media. You might want to provide your guests with paper or a collaborative online document so they can write down any questions or reflections that arise as they watch. You could even create a democracy wall featuring all your questions, reflections, comments or ideas and select which questions you want to put to the speakers or explore later as a group.
  - 9. Check-out:** after you have finished watching, be sure to reserve some time and space for everyone to share how they are feeling and reflect on what they have seen and heard. This can be done similarly to the check-in, in a circle with the whole group, or in pairs or small groups. Just make sure that everyone gets a chance to speak and reflect. You might want to close with a group affirmation – asking each person to share one action they will commit to after the watch party.

- 10. What next?** Well, you got this far, well done! You may choose to ponder the topics individually, as part of your job, or you may decide you want to come back as a group again. If you created a democracy wall during the watch party, you may want to create a shared document with all the points raised and see if there are any follow-on actions to take.

Thank you for tuning in to the New Vision for Earth Film Festival! We hope you enjoy it.

### Questions to spark reflection:

- What struck you most about this story?
- After watching this film, do you feel more optimistic or more pessimistic about the future on our planet? Why?
- Can you think of something you would like to personally change after watching this film? What is it, and how difficult would it be to achieve this change? What or who could help you make the change?
- Can you think of something your wider community, country or region should change in relation to ecosystem degradation and achieving restoration? What would it be and how could this change be achieved?
- Are there any immediate actions you would like to commit to as an individual or group following the watch party?

## Resources

In-person gathering:  
Strong internet connection (at least 1.5 Mbps.  
You can check your connection with this [internet speed test](#))

- Computer
- Large TV or projector and large screen or suitable surface, such as a white wall
- Speakers/moderator
- A space to gather
- Sustainable refreshments/food
- Pens, paper and whiteboard or flip chart
- Hand sanitizer and/or handwashing station

Gathering online – all participants need:

- Strong internet connection
- Computer, phone or tablet
- Video conferencing app (e.g. Zoom)

## Warm-up exercises

- **Check-in:** sit in a circle and ask each person to share their feelings. For example, ask simple questions like 'what do you love most about nature?' or 'who inspires you right now and why?' If you are a large group or a shy group, consider working in pairs.
- **Walking and greeting:** with a large group and enough space, you could ask people to walk around the room and, when they feel ready, stop in front of someone and tell them the answers to a few questions that one designated person can read out. Once they have answered the first question, they can continue walking around and stop in front of a different person. The questions could be anything from 'what is your favourite tree?' to 'what action can we all take to help tackling climate change?'
- **Object check-in:** ask each person to bring an object that has special significance to them. Sit in a circle and take turns sharing what the object represents and place it in the center of the circle. You can move these objects afterwards, but keep them together until the end of the party to signify your community.

## Thinking together tips!

- **Listening exercise:** in pairs, take turns speaking for five minutes on a subject that is meaningful yet potentially different for everyone. This could be something like 'what actions I am taking to ensure a sustainable future' and 'what actions I would like to see other people take.' The listener listens in total silence, even if their partner runs out of things to say! After five minutes, swap roles. This exercise allows the listener to practice listening without responding and the speaker to experience the magic of vocalizing thoughts into reality.
  - **Survive and thrive:** ask each person to create a table with two columns. Write 'survive' at the top of the left-hand column and 'thrive' at the top of the right-hand column. Then, give everyone four minutes to write as many things as they need to survive and thrive in each column. Then, share and discuss each person's tables as a group or in smaller groups to see what has emerged. Notice the differences and similarities between each person in the group and explore the reasons why.
  - **Word association:** think of one word or phrase (e.g. landscape, restoration, rights, power and change) that you want your group to explore, and then give them one to two minutes to write down all the words that they associate with that word or phrase. Again, share the lists with each other and see what emerges.
- Note: you will need someone to keep time for all of these exercises. Be sure to share and listen to each other with curiosity and without judgement – there are no 'right' or 'wrong' answers!

## Global Landscapes Forum

The Global Landscapes Forum (GLF) is the world's largest knowledge-led platform on integrated land use, dedicated to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and Paris Climate Agreement. The Forum takes a holistic approach to create sustainable landscapes that are productive, prosperous, equitable and resilient and considers five cohesive themes of food and livelihoods, landscape restoration, rights, finance and measuring progress. It is led by the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), in collaboration with its co-founders UNEP and the World Bank and Charter Members.

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