

Northern Film Showcased at CNC Film Festival



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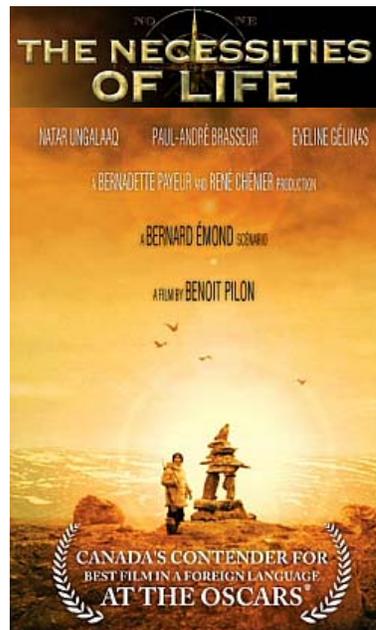


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The Necessities of Life, by director Benoit Pilon, will be showcased at this year's Cinema CNC Film Festival on Sunday February 15th at 7 pm at the Prince George Playhouse. The film, which will be sponsored by the UNBC Northern Studies Program, is set in 1950s and recounts the story of Tivii (Natar Ungalaaq), an Inuk who travels to Quebec City to receive treatment for tuberculosis.

Please see the following websites for more details:

<http://www.thenecessitiesoflife-themovie.com/>

<http://www.cnc.bc.ca/shared/assets/movies-posters-09springfestival14047.pdf>

Researcher Profile – Sonia Wesche

Sonia's background includes studies in geography and environmental management at the University of Ottawa (BA), Imperial College (MSc), and Wilfrid Laurier University (PhD). She was introduced to northern research during her doctoral work with the Dene in Fort Resolution, NWT. Her study focused on the impacts of and human adaptations to environmental change. A year ago she joined Laurie Chan's team and shifted to a more environmental health-related focus. Her current research investigates the impacts of climate change on levels of food security, perceptions of health, and environmental and social determinants of adaptive capacity across households and communities in Canada's Arctic.



Webcasts and eDiscussions

- * **DFAIT National Policy Online Consultation (eDiscussion) on the Arctic.** Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada (DFAIT) is pleased to invite you and your students to participate in a national policy online consultation on the Arctic. The online consultation (eDiscussion) will help to contribute to the development of Canada's foreign policy. The eDiscussion on the Arctic will touch on several themes, including: Canada's Northern foreign policy, international initiatives, as well as Canadian challenges and opportunities. These themes and others will serve as points of departure for this eDiscussion, which will focus on specific areas such as: sustainable economic development, the Arctic Council, developments in international relations, and future political trends. The eDiscussion will be open from Monday, January 26th to Friday, March 27th, 2009. For more information, please go to: <http://www.international.gc.ca/cip-pic/discussions/professor-information-professeurs.aspx?lang=eng>

- * **Mary Simon's (President of the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami) Address on Arctic Research** at the recent Arctic Change conference in Quebec City can be accessed at: <http://www.sikunews.com/art.html?artid=5854&catid=19>

- * **Webcasts of Recent Northern Conferences and Symposia Arctic Portal Website.** In addition to a wealth of other resources, the Arctic Portal website includes webcasts of many recent conferences, symposia, and lectures on northern topics. To view these webcasts, visit: <http://new.arcticportal.org/?special=webcast#>.

Among others, webcasts of the following events are posted:

- * International Conference on Sami Self-Determination, Alta, Norway, February 2008
- * Sustaining Arctic Observation Networks Conference, Edmonton, Alberta, April 2008
- * SCAR/IASC IPY Open Science Conference, St. Petersburg, Russia, July 2008
- * Fifth NRF Open Assembly, Anchorage, Alaska, September 2008
- * Arctic Indigenous Languages Symposium, Tromso, Norway, October 2008
- * Stefansson Arctic Institute Lecture: Dr. Gunhild Hoogensen, "Drill, Baby, Drill: From Energy to Human Security," October 2008
- * Social Science Forum, University of Akureyri, Iceland. "Understanding Migration in the Circumpolar North," by Lee Huskey, Professor of Economics, University of Anchorage, Alaska, 5 November 2008