

Nepal Earthquakes One Year One: Resilience, Relief and Remembering

BNAC/SOAS SAI Nepal Earthquake Day Schedule 18 May 2015

TIME	TITLE (with details)
1:00 pm	<p>Introduction : Professor Michael Hutt , Director of SOAS South Asia Institute</p> <p><i>Foreward of music and poetry by Lochan Rijal based on poem Bhukumpa by the late Yug Kavi Siddhi Charan Shrestha.</i></p>
1:15 pm	<p>Film: Short Fiction: Chandra Dir: Asmita Shrish and Fateme Ahmadi</p> <p><i>Shot two days after the May 12 earthquake, chosen as an MN9 Asian Masters and Newcomers Project under Busan Film Festival. Selected at Freiburg Film Festival.</i></p>
1:25 pm	<p>Film: Documentary: Journey to Home Dir: Saral Gurung</p> <p><i>Filmed entirely on mobile phone, one of Kathmandu Mountain Film Festival's Seismic Shift selections, following youths aiding their village in the Tibetan speaking village of Nubri, Tsum Valley.</i></p>
1:30 pm	<p>Poetry Performance : Lara Rai</p> <p><i>Author, poet and social activist, founder of Junkiri Initiatives, shares her poem on the earthquakes.</i></p>
1:35 pm	<p>Film: Documentary: Team Katla Vlog</p> <p><i>Following the incredible initiative by British based student Sarala Thapa, who managed to raise a record breaking £12,000 in two days.</i></p>
1:55 pm	<p>Film: Music Video: Mustang-Back to Nepal Dir: Tonio Nicolazzi</p> <p><i>A tourism initiative with the international Trek Magazine.</i></p>
2:00 pm	<p>Film: Documentary: Return to Nepal Pt 1: Rise of the Artisans Dir: Oliver Wilkins</p> <p><i>Emmy-award winning director Oliver Wilkins teams up with producer Doc McKerr, Britain's Goodwill Ambassador to Nepal, an ex-army officer and the first person to trek solo the Great Himalayan Trail in 2013. A project to support tourism in Nepal exploring positive initiatives of communities.</i></p>
2:10 pm	<p>Film: Documentary: What is a House? What is a State? Dir: Prof. Ben Campbell</p> <p><i>A film visiting the damaged rural village of Tengu in Rasuwa in July 2015.</i></p>
2:35 pm	<p>Photo Essay: 12: 12 Presenter: Premila van Ommen</p> <p><i>Visual narrative of a personal journey home, visiting family and neighbours in shelters.</i></p>

- 2:45 pm** **BREAK** with refreshments **30 mins**
- 3:15 pm** **Poetry Performance:** Samir Gurung
- A poet and actor, one of the founders of British Nepali arts initiative Parcha Creative and Arts.*
- 3:20 pm** **Film:** Documentary: **Return to Nepal Pt 2: Sherpa Unity Voices from the Mountain**
- Part 2 of Return to Nepal series by Emmy-award winner director Oliver Wilkins and Doc McKerr.*
- 3:30 pm** **Film:** Documentary: **Helping Thame Recover**
Dires: Rocky Prajapati and Shashank Shrestha
- Following works by Thame Heritage Fund rebuilding the Sherpa area of Thame.*
- 3:35 pm** **Presentation :** Ojesh Singh
- An overview of Nepali charity Pasa Puchah Guthi UK on their works regards the earthquakes demonstrating the informal diasporic networks in aiding relief and reconstruction.*
- 3:55 pm** **Poetry Video:** Timi Paila Matrai Sara By: Word Warriors Nepal
- A Search for Common Ground Nepal initiative as a salute to the youth of Nepal's rebuilding efforts.*
- 4:00 pm** **Film:** **Maya** Dir: Veemsen lama
- An award winning short fiction from a former Gurkha soldier turned filmmaker. Maya recently won best film for London's Independent Short Film Festival and continues to clock up more awards.*
- 4:15 pm** **Film:** Animation: **In Search of Strength** Dir: Sanyukta Shrestha
- Talk:** **"Use of information technology by the Nepali youth communities in mobilising relief materials after Nepal earthquakes"**
- Short award winning animation followed by talk from animator and artist Sanyukta Shrestha on the role of internet and technology in facilitating aid, relief and innovation for reconstruction.*
- 4:25 pm** **Poetry:** Music and Video: **Stand There** By Ujjwala Maharjan and Night Band
- A collaboration by Ujjwala Maharjan, one of Nepal's young leading slam poets and Night Band originally performed at Kathmandu's Theatre Village in benefit for quake affected students.*
- 4:30 pm** **BREAK 15 mins**

4:45 pm **Music:** Namlo Band Feat. Shreya Rai and Ganga Thapa

Members of London's Namlo band, featured on BBC's Global Beats series, perform their their songs.

4:55 pm **Discussion Panel : Chair:** Dr. Feyzi Ismail, School of Oriental and African Studies

Panel: Prof. Dinesh Paudel (Appalachian State University), Prof. Ed Simpson (School of Oriental and African Studies), Shreya Paudel (former NUS International Students' Officer, Dr. Sara Parker (Liverpool John Moore's University) and Navin Khadka (BBC).