



From Activism to (New) Zealand

Film festival brings an alphabet soup of documentaries

Documentaries come in many different forms. Originally a very dry, informative genre, in recent years the documentary has morphed into self-proclaiming activism and even philosophical essays that deliberately mislead the viewer, as in Orson Welles' *F for Fake*. The Good Works Film Festival in town this week at Bijou Cinemas and the

Hult features a selection that runs the gamut from traditional documentaries to Michael Moore imitators spending as much time discussing themselves as their subject.

Granito: How to Nail a Dictator

When the Mountains Tremble, a documentary about the Guatemalan genocide in the early 1980s, first aired at

the inaugural Sundance Film Festival. The movie caused an international uproar and resulted in Rigoberta Menchú, one of the few to speak out about the brutality, winning a Nobel Peace Prize. Pamela Yates made that earth-shattering film, and in 2011's *Granito*, she wants you to know it.

Styled as part-memoir, part-political thriller, *Granito* follows the efforts of

Yates, a Spanish lawyer, and others to bring former Guatemalan dictator Efraín Ríos Montt to justice in an international court. Before this, however, the viewer is treated to a lot of clips and B-roll from the *When the Mountains Tremble*. This older footage gives viewers a sketch of what happened in that Latin American country in 1981-2, for those who haven't seen the original documentary. Yates rarely misses a chance to show herself in these clips, in case you were curious just who was documenting the living hell that had become most rural, indigenous Guatemalans' lives.

Hundreds of thousands were "disappeared" under the brutal military regimes propped up by Uncle Sam. In recent years, as *Granito* shows, researchers and investigators have found reams of evidence and obtained unclassified documents to prove these orders were coming from the highest levels of the military. But the Guatemalan government refused to let Ríos Montt be extradited and tried for his crimes. There will be no ultimate justice, but it remains important to remember the atrocities of the past and treasure those civilians that survived.

The Topp Twins: Untouchable Girls

A yodeling musical comedy show put on by lesbian twins from the backwoods of New Zealand? It sounds too exotic to be true, but the Topp Twins have become cultural icons in their native land.

Untouchable Girls follows Jools and Lynda Topp through the early days of working on their parents' farm and performing on the

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