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Winner at the Los Angeles Movie Awards, "Honorable Mention" for Best Documentary Feature

The Fight for Water: A Farm Worker Struggle

"Official Selection" at the Reel Rasquache Art & Film Festival

Screening May 18 at 11 am

Location: Casa 0101 Theater

Address: 2102 E. 1st St, Boyle Heights, Los Angeles, Ca

Admission: \$12.00

Purchase Tickets: www.casa0101.org

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Award-Winning documentary 'The Fight for Water: A Farm Worker Struggle' to screen at a Latino Film Festival in Los Angeles

May 15, 2013 -- [The Fight for Water: A Farm Worker Struggle](#) has won the "Honorable Mention" at this year's Los Angeles Movie Awards in the Best Documentary Feature category and has been accepted by the Los Angeles Latino film festival, the [Reel Rasquache Art & Film Festival \(RRAFF\)](#), as an "Official Selection". The festival will screen the film, alongside the short film "Fixing Paco" by director Joe Camareno, on May 18 at 11 am at the Casa 0101 Theater located at 2102 E. 1st St., Boyle Heights, Los Angeles, CA 90033. Cost of admission is \$12 and tickets can be purchased online at www.casa0101.org. Seats are limited.

The Reel Rasquache Art & Film Festival summarized the documentary as a film that "exposes class and race politics behind water access and distribution in California".

The film highlights the human impact a federal ruling had on a migrant farm working community, in the West Side of the San Joaquin Valley, when its water supply was shut off and the unity they staged in order to fight for their water. Filmmaker Oseguera, who happened to reside in the impacted part of the valley, set out to film this event and document their struggle as a historical account not to be repeated again. The film interviews the people who were most affected--to bring about their voice, their struggle--into a unified story of survival.

The film features Joe Del Bosque and George Delgado, two Latino farmers in the West Side of the San Joaquin Valley who grew up in the fields from parents who were migrant farm workers and later as farmers. They take Filmmaker Oseguera across their impacted lands to document a community's struggle during the California Water Crisis of 2009.

Actor/comedian [Paul Rodriguez](#), who helped organize a water march for the farmers and farm workers, is also featured in the film for his activism.

The film was independently produced by Juan Carlos Oseguera, an alumni from San Francisco State University, who has won awards and recognitions in writing and producing short films. This is his first feature length film under his production studio, Filmunion.

The film's thematic score was written and performed by Benjamin Coria and Dustin Morris. Coria is a trained pianist, orchestrator and composer. He holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in music composition from Cal State Los Angeles. Morris is singer and songwriter who has scored for short films. He is a member of the rock band, Solar Powered People. The film's theme song was composed by Enrique Vega. He is a songwriter and singer who has produced his own music albums.

For more information about the screening contact the festival at 323.263.7684 or info@casa0101.org.

In addition to this year's Reel Rasquache Art & Film Festival the film has also screened at the Twain Harte Film Festival, the Bakersfield Independent Film Festival, Viña de Oro International Film Festival, the ITSA Film Festival™ and other premiere screenings in selected cities around the state of California.

The Northern California Living Series Magazines reviewed the film and called it, "Compelling... A 'must see' film!" Central Valley Agnet West Reporter & News Director Patrick Cavanaugh also added, "This is an urgent movie to watch!" and "You would never think this could happen in America today!" Keep California Farming simply stated: "This is the most important documentary film... of the Year!"

For information about the film, visit the film's official website at: www.thefightforwaterfilm.com.