

Four films featuring the resilience of Palestinians at IDSFFK

The 16th edition of IDSFFK, organised by Chalachitra Academy from July 26 to July 31, will screen four films featuring the lives of Palestinians. Titled 'An Ode to Resilience: Tales from Palestine', the package brings together short films and documentaries showcasing various tales of resistance and resilience from the war-torn land.

'Bye Bye Tiberias', directed by Lina Soualem, pieces together images from the present and the 1990s to tell the story of four generations of daring Palestinian women. The filmmaker, who is the daughter of well-known actress Hiam Abbas, returns to her mother's native village in Palestine 30 years later to understand the bold choices made by the women in her family.

'Heavy Metal', directed by Timo Bruun and Edward Knowles, follows the lives and dreams of young Palestinian women challenging norms within their refugee camp and beyond through weightlifting competitions.

Julien Menanteau and Nour Ben Salem's 'Palestine Islands' narrates the tale of 12-year-old Maha, who makes her blind grandfather believe that the wall of separation has fallen making a return to his native land possible. 'The Roller, the Life, the Fight' shows the journey of filmmakers Elettra Bisogno and Hazem Alqaddi as they embark on a life in Belgium. Through the images of their life, we share a glimpse of their inner migration to a place where gazes are softer and more just.