

*Hofstra's Labor Studies Program invites you to its
16th Annual Film Festival Celebrating "International Workers Day"*

MAYDAY at the MOVIES

Comedy & Tragedy at Work

WHEN: **Monday, May 1, 2017**

WHERE: **Cultural Center Theater** [next to Hammer Lab]

12:50

- 2:15 pm

PAINTED NAILS

Van Hoang, a Vietnamese nail salon owner serving working class women in San Francisco, unintentionally becomes a contemporary Erin Brockovich-style crusader for worker health and safety. Once she learns that legal loopholes allow the \$50-billion cosmetics industry to fill their products with risky, untested chemicals, she mounts an inspiring reform effort.

Introduced by Prof. Gregory DeFreitas (Economics Dept. & Labor Studies)

2:55

- 4:20 pm

THE HAND THAT FEEDS

At a popular bakery on Manhattan's wealthy Upper East Side, undocumented immigrant workers face sub-legal wages, dangerous machinery, and abusive managers. Mild-mannered and apolitical, Mahoma López convinces a small group of his co-workers to fight back. Risking layoffs and deportation, the workers form their own independent union, launching a journey that will test the limits of their resolve.

Introduced by Prof. Benita Sampedro (Latin American & Caribbean Studies Program)

4:30

- 6:00 pm

THE MEASURE of a MAN

Vincent Lindon won the Best Actor award at Cannes last year for starring in this new film about a laid-off factory worker transitioning to a low-paid security guard job in today's France. According to the glowing *NY Times* review, it is the story of a decent man "struggling to regain his equilibrium, his place in the world, his sense of personal dignity." Co-starring Karine de Mirbeck, written and directed by Stephane Brizé.

Introduced by Prof. Les Abrams (Sociology Dept., Hofstra)

6:30

- 7:55 pm

BOOM, BUST, BOOM

A "seriously comic" look at why crashes happen, told by a member of Monty Python, leading economists, writers, puppets and a movie star. A highly entertaining investigation of the 2008 economic crash, and how we can avoid another global collapse in the future. Tracing the links between the unstable financial system and our reliance on mainstream economics, the film spotlights the mistakes that too many politicians and bankers would like us to forget. Hosted by Terry Jones, the featured economists include Dan Ariely, Paul Krugman, Hyman Minsky and Robert Shiller.

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Free admission. Seating limited. No reservations. For info: www.hofstra.edu/laborstudies