

Podtalk: Chicago's Asian Pop-up Cinema Features 'A Land Imagined' on Mar. 20, 2019

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CHICAGO – “Collaboration Week” of Season Eight at Chicago's Asian Pop-Up Cinema (APUC) continues with the Singapore/Netherland/France production, “A Land Imagined.” screening on Wednesday, March 20th, 2019. Writer/director Siew-hua Yeo will appear on behalf of the film at AMC River East 21 in the city. For more details and tickets, [click here](#). [21]

The world of Singapore, and their interesting “land reclamation” project (expanding coast lines to add more real estate possibilities) is the theme in this thought-provoking and symbolic police drama. A reclamation worker named Wang has disappeared, part of the worker immigrant mass of humanity that are disposable. The police get involved, in the form of investigator Lok, whose dogged determination to get to the truth leads into a maze of multiple realities, including the dream state. Written and directed by Siew-hua Yeo – a Singapore filmmaker completing his second feature film – this mind trip of cinematic art questions aspects of identity, and what does “where you're from” mean when the land beneath you is manufactured.



'A Land Imagined,' Directed by Siew-hua Yeo

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This Chicago Premiere is part of the program-packed Season Eight of APUC, as their new format (multiple films per week) will spotlight a different Asian country or theme every week. APUC is facilitated by founder and veteran film programmer Sophia Wong Boccio, and Season Eight has an amazing line up of films from Japan, Mongolia, Singapore, Cambodia, Hong Kong, Taiwan, China, Indonesia and South Korea.

Films mainly screen at Chicago's AMC River East 21, with various other locations throughout the season (click link below at the end of the article for more details).

In the following Podtalk with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, Director Siew-hua Yeo of "A Land Imagined" talks about exploring multiple worlds in Singapore, and his his recent honor of the Golden Leopard at the 2018 Locarno (Switzerland) International Film Festival.

Season Eight of the Asian Pop-Up Cinema continues with "A Land Imagined" on March 20th, 2019 (7pm), at the AMC River East 21, 322 East Illinois Street, Chicago. Director Siew-hua Yeo will make an appearance on behalf of the film. For a complete overview on Chicago's Asian Pop-Up Cinema Season Eight, [click here](#). [22]

APUC's Season Eight concludes Collaboration Week on Thursday, March 21st, 2019, with "Funan," a Cambodian/French animated film set during the Khmer Rouge revolution in 1975. The film will screen at the Alliance Francaise de Chicago, 54 West Chicago Avenue at 6:30pm. For more details and tickets, [click here](#). [23]



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