



News Release

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**University of St. Thomas Center for International Studies presents
Film and Documentary Series**

- WHAT:** CIS Film and Documentary Series detailing global issues
- WHEN:** 12:30 – 2 p.m., alternating Tuesdays, Feb. 27- May 1 (excluding March 6)
- WHERE:** University of St. Thomas
Tiller Hall, Room 116
4004 Yoakum
Parking: Moran Center, 3807 Graustark at W. Alabama

BACKGROUND: By providing this series, CIS hopes to share with UST students relevant and reliable information on a variety of topics from politics and economics to culture and the environment. Whether American or Foreign made, acknowledged by experts or unknown by the public, these films and documentaries are a free and interesting way to get informed about global issues. The films will be preceded by a brief introduction and will follow with a question and answer session.

Feb. 27

The Tank Man / 50 Minutes

On June 5, 1989, one day after the Chinese army's deadly crushing of the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests in Beijing, a single, unarmed young man stood his ground before a column of tanks on the Avenue of Eternal Peace. Captured on film and video by Western journalists, this extraordinary confrontation became an icon of the struggle for freedom around the world. Seventeen years later, veteran filmmaker Antony Thomas goes to China in search of "The Tank Man." Who was he? What was his fate? And what does he mean for a China that today has become a global economic powerhouse?

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March 20

The New Heroes - Dreams of Sanctuary / 30 Minutes

The New Heroes tells the dramatic stories of social entrepreneurs who are undaunted by the chronic challenges of poverty, illness, unemployment, violence and ignorance they see in the world around them. With a revolutionary passion for transforming society, these individuals have the kind of vision that distinguishes them from entrepreneurs in the business sector.

April 3

Inside Iraq: Untold Stories / 80 Minutes

Tour a children's landmine hospital. Visit remote villages with medical aid workers. Drop in on illegal gun markets. Walk the streets of Baghdad. Get a tour of an Abrams tank. Meet the soldiers who are finding creative solutions. Witness a fire fight with Iraqi insurgents. Ride along on night patrols in search of terrorists. This and more can be done in this film produced by freelance director, Mike Shiley.

April 17

Three Cubans / 60 Minutes

Three Cubans is the story of three men in post-revolutionary Cuba reflecting on the positives and negatives of the revolution from their own perspective and particular circumstances. A must see documentary for anyone interested on Castro's legacy.

May 1

No Debate / 20 Minutes

No Debate features a discussion with author George Farah, who argues that major U.S. political parties have hijacked and corrupted the open-political debate process. If you think America is a democracy in the strict sense of the word, think twice.

COST: Free and open to the public.

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