

Let's Take Back Our Food!

WISR's Film and Social Change Seminar Series

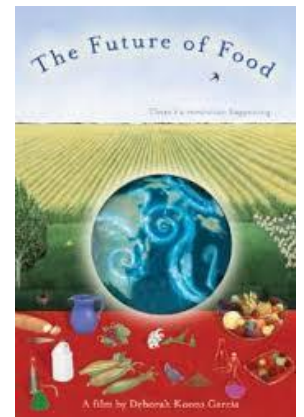
Summer 2015: A trilogy of movies on the Future of Food
Food choices, food policy and the social consequences

At the Western Institute for Social Research (WISR) 2930 Shattuck, Suite 300, Berkeley

Cosponsored by the Ecumenical Peace Institute and EcoVillage Farm

Thursday, June 18, 2015 ~ 6:30pm: *The Future of Food*

Why has Monsanto sued farmers for growing GMO corn they never planted! What exactly are genetically modified organisms? Why is our food now being patented? Why are international companies driving farmers off their land in many countries? Will monoculture farming lead to global dependence of the human race on giant food corporations. And what about the increased risk of ecological disasters caused by a reduction of biological diversity?



Thursday, July 30: *Bitter Seeds*

Why does an Indian farmer commit suicide every 30 minutes? Companies like the U.S.-based Monsanto claim that their genetically modified (GM) seeds offer the most effective solution to feeding the world's growing population, but on the ground do these claims stand up? Nowhere is the situation more desperate than in India, where many small-scale farmers are losing their land and where an epidemic of farmer suicides has claimed over a quarter million lives.

Thursday, August 27: final film in the trilogy TBA

The first two films focus on **GMOs** in food and the issues and consequences in North America and worldwide. A rigorous and active discussion will follow each movie. How can we democratize our food choices and policies? Bring your questions and ideas. Snacks and drinks offered or bring finger food to share.

Free, no charge admission. Community members are welcome to sign up for WISR's ongoing Film and Social Change Seminar Series to attend these and future movies. (No academic credit)