

The Hamilton International Film Festival

presents

CRUDE

THE REAL PRICE OF OIL

a film by Joe Berlinger (N/R, 105 min.) / WWW.crudethemovie.com

The story of a big oil company sued by those affected by the catastrophic damage caused by drilling in an ecologically sensitive environment.

Sound familiar? Think again.

Both timely & provocative, *Crude* is about a class action lawsuit on behalf of 30,000 Ecuadorans to force Chevron to take responsibility for the ecologic catastrophe allegedly left behind when drilling for oil in the Ecuador Amazon rainforest between 1972 and 1990. A real-life, high stakes legal drama set against a backdrop of the environmental movement, global politics, celebrity activism, human rights advocacy, the media, multinational corporate power & disappearing indigenous cultures.

“Berlinger’s gift in this movie is that he does not deliver a conclusion, but rather presents multiple viewpoints and provokes the audience to real thought on the issues.” Los Angeles Times

Joe Berlinger is an award winning filmmaker with strong ties to central New York. A 1983 graduate of Colgate, Berlinger’s credits include *Brother’s Keeper*, the powerful documentary about the murder trial of Delbert Ward of Munnsville, NY, a film that won the Audience Award at the 1992 Sundance Film Festival. *Crude* was nominated for the Grand Jury Prize for Best Documentary at the Sundance Film Festival, and was the winner for Best Documentary at nine international film festivals.

Saturday, August 7 at 7:00pm
Palace Theater

19 Utica Street, Hamilton, New York

Tickets \$5 / advance reservations by phone at 315-824-8210

Meet filmmaker Joe Berlinger, enjoy a short fiction film by a promising new filmmaker, stay for closing night party.

Crude is a feature of the Hamilton Film Festival, August 5-8. For the complete festival schedule, visit www.slaterbrothersentertainment.com or call 315-824-8210.

