

Solidarity South Pacific

Against the Death Culture, Rebellion Grows!

An afternoon of films, talks and discussion on the struggles taking place in West Papua, Bougainville and other areas of the Pacific.

Sunday 28th March

**Wrangthorne Community Hall,
St Augustine's Church
(Hyde Park corner)**

4.30pm onwards

Kids welcome

Accessible venue



Films

Hell in the Pacific

Pollution from RTZ's copper mine on the island of Bougainville has been a focus of seething resentment since 1988. Despite overriding local objections, extractors moved in, unannounced, to develop a new island gold mine using cyanide.

The Coconut Revolution

Another more recent film about Bougainville this is the modern-day story of a native peoples' remarkable victory over Western Colonial power. A Pacific island rose up in arms against giant mining corporation Rio Tinto Zinc (RTZ) - and won despite a military occupation and blockade. When RTZ decided to step up production at the Panguna Mine on the island of Bougainville, they got more than they bargained for. The island's people had enough of seeing their environment ruined and being treated as pawns by RTZ

Freedom for West Papua

For over thirty years the tribes of West Papua have been resisting the destruction of their land and peoples by multinational corporations and the Indonesian military. In the jungles the guerrillas of the OPM (*Free Papua Movement*) fight a western armed military with long bows and their knowledge of the land. This film produced by Solidarity South Pacific is about that struggle.

**Food and refreshments will be available
Entry by donation.**

About Solidarity South Pacific

Against the death culture, rebellion grows. The victorious eco-insurrection in Bougainville and the strengthening indigenous resistance in West Papua are just two examples. Throughout the pacific rim, wild nature and wild culture are under attack. Loggers tear down the forests, mining corporations rip open chasms in the earth, free tribal societies are either exterminated or assimilated. The pacific rim, with its rainforest expanses, surviving pockets of wild peoples and coral reefs is a critical field of battle.

Solidarity South Pacific are about active solidarity with indigenous and radical ecological struggles in the pacific. We aim primarily to aid the West Papuan struggle, tribal and ecological struggle in the Philippines; and to bring attention to the revolution on Bougainville.

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