

BOLDER LIFE



EXPLORING LIFE / INSPIRING CHANGE
THROUGH THE ARTS AND EDUCATION

2013 Student Outreach Program

...Join the Journey

THE BOLDERLIFE VISION

Here at BolderLife, we believe in a world that holds space for the whole spectrum of the human experience. We believe in the power of standing and facing the truth with integrity, no matter how that truth manifests itself in tenderness, love, rage, or despair. We believe in building a worldwide community that practices inclusion, has difficult and courageous conversations, and embraces the beauty of diversity. We invite all stories, from the hate-filled misguided adolescent to a mother who unconditionally loves her child, from the forgotten grandparent with Alzheimer's preparing for solitary death to the brave and generous everyday hero, from the sick and fatigued cancer patient to the passionate lover, from the thriving and energetic athlete to the inspired and stretched artist, and all the vast and infinite ways in which life is embodied.

We believe that freedom, love, dignity, grace, presence and purpose are experienced through fearlessness and non-judgment in all moments, leading to more a courageous and fulfilled life. Ultimately, we seek to celebrate and inspire solutions that promote a more conscious approach to living, whether on a personal, community, or global level, inspiring everyone to live a Bolder Life.

THE MISSION

The mission of BolderLife is to explore adversity, diversity, questions and solutions through film, theater, education, art, and conversation with adults and youth in local and international communities through our festival events and online platforms. For filmmakers, artists, educators and those fueled by inspiration and the adventurers and the passionately curious, the BolderLife Festival provides a common platform for extraordinary people to share your life stories, purpose and innovation.



The background of the entire page is a photograph of several people, likely at a festival or concert, with their arms raised in the air. The image is slightly blurred and has a warm, golden light, possibly from the sun or stage lights, creating a celebratory atmosphere. The people are silhouetted against a bright, hazy sky.

STUDENT OUTREACH PROGRAM

The BolderLife Student Outreach Program was created in 2012 for students from the Denver, Boulder, and surrounding areas. Our goal was to engage the local youth in inspiring educational films, interactive workshops and conversation. Thanks to the overwhelming success of the 2012 Program, BolderLife will be expanding our student offerings for 2013.

THE PROGRAMS

- Program 1 – Creative Ways out of Conflict
- Program 2 – LGBTQ Community Outreach
- Program 3 – TBD from 2013 film submissions

2013 PROGRAM

Participating schools have the option to select one or both of our two themed programs. Each Program consists of one full school day of inspirational and thought provoking speakers, workshops, and films tailor-made to connect with and have an impact on high school aged youth.

WHAT THE DAY LOOKS LIKE

- 9:00-10:30 Session One - Full Feature Film
10:45-11:30 Session Two – Interactive Talkback supporting themes of the Film
11:30-12:00 Lunch
12:00-1:00 Session Three – Shorts Program
1:00-2:00 Session Four – Workshop supporting themes of the Films

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

In addition to the interactive, innovative and exciting, pre-organized day we have provided for your students, BolderLife has more to offer: ***We pledge to give 7% of the ticket sale from your students back to your school.*** We will also be handing out discount ticket vouchers to all attending students and chaperones to be used during the main festival program.

THE FILMS

The BolderLife Films are carefully screened and selected based on criteria that support the BolderLife vision to shed light on timely topics, fuel discussions and open a platform for growth, learning and inspiration.

HOW DO WE CHOOSE OUR FILMS?

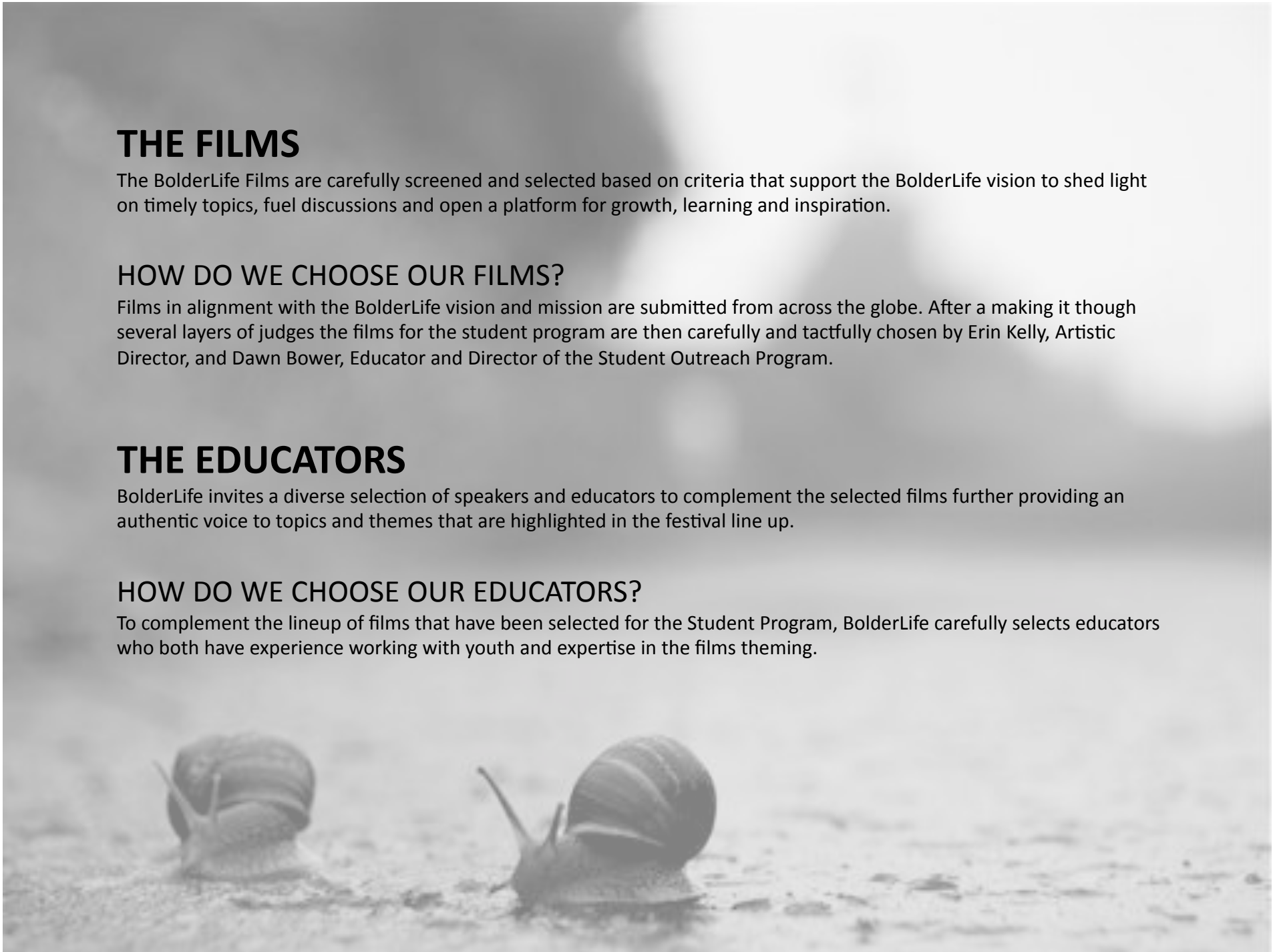
Films in alignment with the BolderLife vision and mission are submitted from across the globe. After a making it through several layers of judges the films for the student program are then carefully and tactfully chosen by Erin Kelly, Artistic Director, and Dawn Bower, Educator and Director of the Student Outreach Program.

THE EDUCATORS

BolderLife invites a diverse selection of speakers and educators to complement the selected films further providing an authentic voice to topics and themes that are highlighted in the festival line up.

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To complement the lineup of films that have been selected for the Student Program, BolderLife carefully selects educators who both have experience working with youth and expertise in the films theming.



FESTIVAL DETAILS

LOCATION

SIE Film Center
2510 East Colfax, Denver, CO
<http://www.denverfilm.org/filmcenter/>

DATES

The Festival: Dec 2nd – 8th
The Student Program: Dec 2nd – 8th

COST

The Program is \$25/student. Teachers and chaperones are free. Students can pre-order healthy lunches for \$5 extra.

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FESTIVAL HISTORY

In late 2010, the festival was conceived as a program that closely examines the physical, emotional, and spiritual challenges and achievements we face in life. The primary vehicle of the festival was inspirational and thought-provoking films through which we could promote a more conscious approach to how we live and highlight the courage and triumph of the human spirit.

On September 1, 2011, the concept came to fruition through the Life and Death Matters Festival over the course of 4 days. The festival was a heartwarming success with over 1000 people in attendance. We hosted an array of filmmakers from as far away as Germany and England. Our film selection brought laughter, tears, applause and inspired in-depth discussion. To provide the audience with an opportunity to explore further the topics raised, educational presentations, workshops and panels were offered in tandem with the lineup of films.



We are proud to have hosted a series of Guest and VIP Speakers including Dr. Temple Grandin (author, educator, champion of rights for the autistic), Colorado Congressman Jared Polis, and Boulder International Film Festival Director Kathy Beeck. The overwhelmingly positive response we received from the filmmakers, artists, educators and attendees encouraged us to turn our sights to 2012 with an expanded festival to capture the empowering and uplifting spirit we all experienced. The BolderLife Festival was born.

Featured Presenters included Rosalind Wiseman, Jamie Redford, Judith Simmer Brown, Rose Garcia, Jenny Ferry and Mark Andreas, all speaking over a range of topics from bullying to Buddhism, Soul Sex to conflict resolution, gardening to the grieving processes.

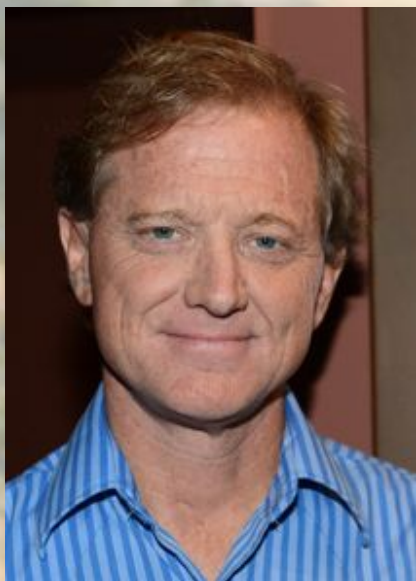
To provide additional opportunity to explore festival topics, supplemental events and activities were offered to festival attendees. These events included yoga movement sessions from Laughter Yoga, a narrated art walk, tango classes, and live musical performances from local artists.

THE 2012 PROGRAM FEATURED

46 International Films, 9 Original Plays, 13 Educational Programs

THE 2011 PROGRAM FEATURED

30 International Films, 9 Original Plays, 18 Educational Programs



WHAT THE COMMUNITY SAYS ABOUT BOLDERLIFE

I had a fabulous time both as a participant, volunteer, and panelist on a non-violence panel for the BolderLife Film Festival. The festival had a wonderful community feel and the films and plays were so thought provoking, inspiring and touching. They brought me to a deeper sense of connection to what matters in my life. I wish I had seen more of them and look forward to this year's festival! --Mark Andreas is the author of Sweet Fruit From the Bitter Tree -- Participant, Volunteer, and Panelist for BolderLife



*I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the film festival last year. The staff was wonderful to work with and put on a great event. I participated in a live radio show and a very lively Q&A discussion after the screening of my film *The Greater Good* all of which helped to spread the word about the very important vaccine debate. Thanks to all for a terrific weekend.* -- Leslie Manookian Producer/Director of *The Greater Good*

The BolderLife Festival is a totally unique, must-see event. Like the best festivals, it's thoroughly entertaining. But unique and true to its name, it raises the big questions about why we're here and why we matter. The BolderLife Festival is a life-changing experience. -- Erich Toll -- Writer/Director of the Play, *Oh! The Humanity*

WHAT PARTICIPANTS SAY ABOUT THE STUDENT PROGRAM

This isn't just a film festival, it's an experience that will open your eyes to new things. I enjoyed being able to participate and share personal stories with my peers. These things help us all grow as humans. --Jeremiah D., Student

I wasn't sure what to expect, this being the first year of the Student Program, but I was definitely impressed. This is the kind of exposure our students need. I am so grateful that the people of the BolderLife Festival were thoughtful enough to include a program for high school students. --Paul P., Administrator

It was a great opportunity for our students to step outside of their comfort zone and learn about cultures that are different than their own. --Leah K., Teacher
I felt proud of how honest and articulate our students were about their learning issues in the student panel. --Carey E., Teacher



WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU!

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We hope you will join us in this effort and look forward to working with you and your students.

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