



To celebrate the work of UN Messengers of Peace, Ciné-ONU, the Jane Goodall Institute and the Vrije Universiteit Brussel presents

Jane's Journey



In “Jane’s Journey”, we accompany Jane Goodall on her travels across several continents, with unprecedented access to her intense and exciting past. From her childhood home in Bournemouth, England, we go to ‘Gombe National Park’ on the shores of Lake Tanganyika, in Tanzania, her second home. This is where she began her ground-breaking research on chimpanzees nearly half a century ago, and where to this day she still returns every year to enjoy the company of the chimpanzees that made her the internationally recognized activist who is so loved and deeply respected today.

Dr. Jane Goodall DBE: is a primatologist, ethologist, anthropologist, and UN Messenger of Peace. Considered to be the world's foremost expert on chimpanzees, Goodall is best known for her 45-year study of social and family interactions of wild chimpanzees in Gombe Stream National Park, Tanzania. She is the founder of the Jane Goodall Institute (JGI), which supports the Gombe research, and works extensively on conservation and animal welfare issues. With nineteen offices around the world, the JGI is widely recognized for innovative, community-centred conservation and development programs in Africa. Its global youth program, Roots & Shoots began in 1991 when a group of 16 local teenagers met with Goodall on her back porch in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.



More than 20 years ago, Dr Goodall decided to give up her career as a primatologist, as well as her private life, in order to devote her life to saving our endangered planet. She spends 300 days a year travelling round the world on her mission to spread hope for future generations. She has been honoured with countless awards, was appointed “Dame of the British Empire” and was even admitted to the “Légion d’Honneur”, the highest decoration of France.

Chris Vanden Bilcke is the Head of UNEP’s Liaison Office to the European Union in Brussels. Prior to joining UNEP, Mr Vanden Bilcke, a Belgian national, served as Head of Unit for Environment and Sustainable Development in the Belgian Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs. His professional career has included assignments with the cabinet of the Belgian federal Environment Minister, with the Permanent Representation of Belgium to the European Union. He participated as delegate in numerous meetings of the UNEP Governing Council, the IEG process, the Commission for Sustainable Development, and several environmental Conventions’ governing bodies. Under the Belgian EU presidencies in 2001 and 2010 he co-chaired the Working Party for International Environment Issues in which the 27 define their common positions inter alia on UNEP.





UNITED NATIONS MESSENGERS OF PEACE

The United Nations Messengers of Peace are distinguished individuals, carefully selected from the fields of art, literature, music and sports, who have agreed to help focus worldwide attention on the work of the United Nations. Backed by the highest honour bestowed by the Secretary-General on a global citizen for an initial period of two years, these prominent personalities volunteer their time, talent and passion to raise awareness of United Nations' efforts to improve the lives of billions of people everywhere.

The Messengers of Peace, through their public appearances, contacts with the international media and humanitarian work, help expand understanding of how the ideals and objectives of the Organization demand everyone's attention.

Since the Messenger of Peace programme was established in 1998, successive Secretary-Generals have appointed over a dozen celebrated personalities who gracefully lend their names, reputations and energy to press for a more peaceful world.

GRASP

The Great Apes Survival Partnership (GRASP) is an innovative and ambitious project of the United Nations Environment Programme ([UNEP](#)) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization ([UNESCO](#)) with an immediate challenge - to lift the threat of imminent extinction faced by gorillas, chimpanzees, bonobos and orangutans across their ranges in equatorial Africa and south-east Asia.

Patrons of GRASP include great ape experts Jane Goodall, Richard Leakey, Richard Wrangham and Russell Mittermeier



Ciné-ONU

Ciné-ONU is organized on a monthly basis. It involves the screening of a film relevant to a specific UN issue, followed by a debate with reputed speakers - either connected to the film, to the issue in question, or to both.

It is open to the public, free of charge and is one of UNRIC's most successful outreach initiatives in Europe. The popularity of Ciné-ONU has grown over recent years

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and it is now a highly regarded and widely anticipated event.

Ciné-ONU is often organized to raise awareness of a UN Observance and the issues involved (for example Human Rights Day, World Environment Day, International Year of Youth etc...).

Moreover, it frequently offers the opportunity to participants to watch premieres of highly acclaimed, award-winning documentaries and address questions to senior UN officials and other personalities.



This handout will be available online on our website, where you can also find list and descriptions of past screenings, trailers and resources: www.unric.org/en/cine-ONU

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