

# PLURAL+

Recognizing youth as powerful agents of social change in a world often characterized by intolerance, cultural and religious divisions, PLURAL+ aims to support youth media in addressing key challenges in their communities related to migrant integration, inclusiveness, identity, diversity, human rights and social cohesion.

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and the International Organization for Migration



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**Youth Video Festival**  
on Migration, Diversity  
and Social Inclusion

Awards Ceremony  
**6 December 2012**

The Paley Center for Media  
New York City

## Special Thanks to

6:00pm WELCOME—Rebekah Fisk, Education Department, Paley Center for Media

Hon. George “Rithm” Martinez, U.S. State Department Cultural Envoy/Hip Hop Ambassador and Founder of the Global Block Foundation

### OPENING REMARKS

- **Mr. Marc Scheuer**, Director, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations
- **Ms. Michele Klein-Solomon**, Permanent Observer to the United Nations, International Organization for Migration

### PRESENTATION AND VIEWING OF PLURAL+ INTERNATIONAL JURY AWARDS

Presented by **Valentí Gómez i Oliver**, PLURAL+ 2012 International Jury Member

#### •18-25 age category



##### Trab Laus

5:37 min, Australia (18-25 age category)

By **Tania Safi**

- PLURAL+ International Jury Award
- PLURAL+ Paley Center For Media Education Award
- PLURAL+ SIGNIS Award

**Synopsis:** Trab Laus chronicles the journey of a young Australian-Lebanese woman as she leaves behind her life of comfort for her grandmother's small apartment in Lebanon.

Presented by **Valentí Gómez i Oliver**, PLURAL+ International Jury Member

**Larry Rich**, SIGNIS PLURAL+ Jury Member

**Nicole Kempksie**, Media Educator, Paley Center for Media

Accepted by **Tania Safi**, Director

#### •13-17 age category



##### All Changes

3:07 min, Italy (13-17 age category)

By **Students of Class 3D, Laura Conti Secondary School, Buccinasco.**

**Franco Brega** and **Tullia Castagnidoli**, Teachers

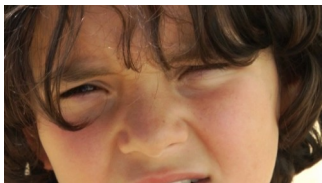
- PLURAL+ International Jury Award
- PLURAL+ RAI Scuola TV Award

**Synopsis:** Through an innovative educational activity, one class learns the hard way that only consciousness can lead to a better future.

Presented by **Valentí Gómez i Oliver**, PLURAL+ International Jury Member

Accepted by **Ginerva Portalupi Papa**, Filmmaker

#### •9-12 age category



##### Do You Really Think That About Me?

5:00 min, Spain (9-12 age category)

By **Telekids Workshop. Jacqueline Sánchez-Carrero**, Coordinator

- PLURAL+ International Jury Award
- PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award

**Synopsis:** Two children, one Spanish and one American, try to stop their younger brothers from becoming friends, as they both believe

that foreigners are a bad influence.

Presented by **Valentí Gómez i Oliver**, PLURAL+ International Jury Member

**Hakan Yagci**, GULEN Institute

Accepted by **Nicolás Cayetano Torres Chaves**, Editor; **Jacqueline Sánchez-Carrero**, Coordinator

### PLURAL+ 2012 Team

Jordi Torrent	Project Manager, UNAOC
Amy Muedin	Programme Specialist, IOM
William Harvey	Project Coordinator, IOM
Benji Holzman	Project Coordinator, IOM
Jiaying Li	Project Coordinator, UNAOC
Uma Patel	Project Coordinator, UNAOC
Lucía Pérez Sanagustín	Project Coordinator, UNAOC

### PLURAL+ 2012 International Jury

Mariana Araujo	Mexico	Global Youth Action Network
Hyunsook Chung	Korea	Educational Broadcasting System
Kristine Collins	Canada	National Film Board of Canada
Farah Mohammoud	UK/Somalia	You Press
Valentí Gómez i Oliver	Spain	European Observatory on Children's TV
David Ritchie	USA	Mercer University; Carnegie Council for Ethics
K G Suresh	India	Global Foundation for Civilization Harmony

### PLURAL + 2012 Pre-Selection Committee

Sheila Aminmadani (*Educator*), Evelien Borgman (*IOM*), Jean Paul Brice Affana (*IAAI GloCha*), Holly Carter (*BYkids*), Joshua Collins (*Ashoka's Youth Ventures*), Stephanie Durand (*UNAOC*), Mary Ferreira (*UNTV*), Rebekah Fisk (*Paley Center for Media*), Anne Grobet (*UNAOC*), Benji Holzman (*IOM*), David Iwanowski (*Ashoka's Youth Ventures*), Andreas Jackson (*Media Specialist*), Ingrid Kasper (*UNTV*), Nicole Kempksie (*Paley Center for Media*), Marina Kudasova (*UNESCO*), Karen Lerman (*Creative Growth Network*), Yuval Lion (*MYLKmedia*), Kuku Mesfin (*IOM*), Theresa Navarro (*Arts Engine*), Beth Newell (*Independent Filmmaker*), Uma Patel (*UNAOC*), Ashok Sinha (*The Cartwheel Initiative*), Michelle Siqueira Steuernagel (*UNESCO*), Jenner Smith (*UNAOC*), George Sosa (*Independent Filmmaker*), Petra Suric Jankov (*IOM*), Jordi Torrent (*UNAOC*), Harriet White (*UNAOC*), Ashley Young (*IAAI GloCha*)

### And to:

Aaron Fineman, Daniel Sakamoto, Gelila Getaneh, Rebekah Fisk and staff at the Paley Center for Media, Hon. George “Rithm” Martinez, Virginia Salvatore, Mitchell Peters, Michelle Siqueiras and all the youth media makers and partner organizations who make PLURAL+ possible. Thank you!

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## The **PLURAL+** Program

With the support of Partner Organizations the 25 awarded videos will be broadcast and screened at festivals, events and conferences throughout 2013.

For more information on PLURAL+ visit: [www.unaoc.org/pluralplus](http://www.unaoc.org/pluralplus)

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PLURAL+ International Jury Award

PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award

### 4. Diversity and Migration

5:00 min, Mexico (Age group: 18-25)

By **Fernanda Curiel & Frasua Esquerra**

PLURAL+ Doha Center for Media Freedom Award

PLURAL+ Scalabrini International Migration Network Award

### 5. A Short Board Game Story

3:11 min, Bangladesh (Age group: 13-17)

By **Ralitza Dinesh Mondal**

PLURAL+ Humanity Without Borders Foundation Award

### 6. Moheombo

5:30 min, Cameroon (Age group: 18-25)

By **Ngana Brice Betoko, Edmond Tshiaba, Evadry Nsabimana & Josias Labodje. C. Chamoun, Project Coordinator**

PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award

### 7. Archibald

4:15 min, Belgium (Age group: 9-12)

By **Children from Camera Etc. Workshop, Liege. Delphine Hermans & Mathieu Labaye, Coordinators**

PLURAL+ Consejo Nacional de Televisión Chile Award

### 8. My Dad Musician

3:53 min, Czech Republic (Age group: 18-25)

By **Zdeněk Chaloupka**

PLURAL+ IAAI GloCha Award

### 9. Malaysia: A Colorful Country

2:10 min, Malaysia (Age group: 18-25)

By **Chee Yang Tan, Yukee Ong & MJ Soong.**

**Ryan Tan, Producer**

PLURAL+ Consejo Nacional de Televisión Chile Award

### 10. Hit The Road, Jack

4:02 min, UK (Age group: 18-25)

By **Michael Azkoul**

PLURAL+ CHINH India Award

### 11. Even Handed

5:47 min, USA (Age Group: 18-25)

By **Samantha Highsmith & Gabriella Huggins.**

**Spy Hop Productions**

PLURAL+ Waging Nonviolence Award

PLURAL+ Humanity Without Borders Foundation Award

### 12. Dreams

4:59 min, Haiti (Age group: 18-25)

By **Romel Jean Pierre. Roberto Gomez, Adviser**

PLURAL+ Global Block Award

PLURAL+ Turkish Cultural Center of New York Friendship Award

### 13. Ripples

4:59 min, Japan (Age group: 18-25)

By **Hiroaki Saito. TongZhou Wei, Producer**

PLURAL+ Doha Center For Media Freedom Award

### 14. Water and Oil

2:40 min, Brazil (Age group: 18-25)

By **Douglas Lisboa**

PLURAL+ Paley Center For Media Education Award

PLURAL+ Television America Latina Award

### 15. Happy Child

4:11 min, Croatia (Age group: 18-25)

By **David Bagarić**

PLURAL+ Balkan Media Education Centre Award

### 16. One Day As A Migrant

5:15 min, Mexico (Age group: 13-17)

By **Isaac Zúñiga, César González, Erick Möller, Erik Aguilar,**

**Emilio Cabra, Jorge Alcalá & Gustavo Pérez of Colegio Carol Baur**

PLURAL+ Global Block Award

### 17. Buenos Días

4:58 min, Spain (Age Group: 13-17)

By **Wen Zhan**

PLURAL+ IUDESP Award

### 18. If We Were...

1:49 min, Mexico (Age group: 18-25)

By **Rocio Román Moreno**

PLURAL+ Barcelona Forum of Cultures Award

### 19. Better Than a Cat

4:35 min, Russia (Age group: 18-25)

By **Maxim Shavkin**

PLURAL+ NEXOS Alianza Award

### 20. The Village School

2:57 min, Belgium (Age group: 13-17)

By **Students from Colline de L'evenil School, Liege.**

**Louise-Marie Colon & Dominique van Hecke, Coordinators**

PLURAL+ UNTV Award

PLURAL+ Anna Lindh Foundation Award

### 21. Prejudice is a Double Edged Sword

4:57 min, Italy (Age group: 18-25)

By **Centro Interculturale Mondinsieme, Quattro Castella.**

**Ihssan Ait Yahia, Coordinator**

PLURAL+ COPEAM Award

### 22. Students in France from all over the world

5:00 min, France (Age group: 13-17)

By **Eduardo Ribeiro Lobato**

PLURAL+ IOM Migration Research and Training Centre Award

### 23. Life-Changing Education

2:56 min, Norway (Age group: 18-25)

By **Elio Alonso Vasquez Miranda**

PLURAL+ Consejo Nacional de Televisión Chile Award

### 24. World Friends

5:00 min, France (Age group: 13-17)

By **Lou Rameau-Sender, Estelle Carré-Viala & Maeva Fafin.**

**Cumulo Nimbus, Coordinating Organization**

PLURAL+ Humanity Without Borders Foundation Award

### 25. Wapikoni Mobile

4:15 min, Canada (Age group: 13-25)

PLURAL+ Honourable Mention Award

## PRESENTATION AND VIEWING OF PLURAL + PARTNER AWARDS

- Remarks by **Jordi Torrent**, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations  
PLURAL+ Project Manager



### The Village School

2:57 min, Belgium (Age group: 13-17)

By **Students from Colline de L'evenil School, Liege. Louise-Marie Colon and Dominique van Hecke, Coordinators**

● PLURAL+ UNTV Award

● PLURAL+ Anna Lindh Foundation Award

**Synopsis:** There's a village with a school. In that school is a yard, and in that yard are pupils, each of them different. Despite their differences, they learn how to play together.

Presented by **Stéphane Dujarric**, Director, United Nations DPI, News and Media Division

### Diversity and Migration

5:00 min, Mexico (Age group: 18-25)

By **Fernanda Curiel and Frasua Esquerra**

● PLURAL+ Doha Center for Media Freedom Award

● PLURAL+ Scalabrini International Migration Network Award



**Synopsis:** Through interviews with deported migrants and a migrant administrator on the Mexico-USA border, we learn that different points of view don't change the fact that we share the same goals.

Presented by **Leonir Chiarello**, Scalabrini International Migration Network

### Even Handed

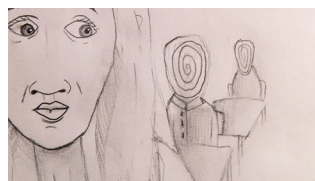
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**Spy Hop Productions**

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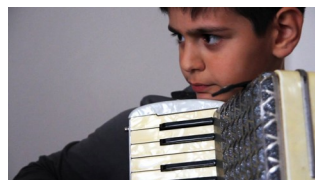


**Synopsis:** Even Handed tells the story of a straight teenage girl who answers a question posed by another student upon seeing her pro-gay rights sticker: "If you're not gay, then why should you care?"

Presented by **David Michaels**, President, Humanity Without Borders

**Eric Stoner**, Editor, Waging Nonviolence

Accepted by **Gabriella Huggins**, Director and **Samantha Highsmith**, Director



### My Dad Musician

3:35 mins, Czech Republic (Age Group: 18-25)

By **Zdeněk Chaloupka**

● PLURAL+ IAAI GloCha Award

**Synopsis:** A Georgian Refugee living in the Czech Republic teaches his son to connect to his surroundings and his heritage through music.

Presented by **Loy Rego**, Advisor, IAAI GloCha





### **Mobembo**

5:30 min, Cameroon (*Age group: 18-25*)

By **Ngana Brice Betoko, Edmond Tshiaba, Evadry Nsabimana and Josias Labodje. Christine Chamoun**, Project Coordinator

- PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award

**Synopsis:** Mobembo is the story of four young male refugees and their journey to safety in exile. The film recalls the harrowing journey

that the film's directors undertook to reach their country of asylum.

Presented by **Hakan Yagci**, Gulen Institute

Accepted by **Brice Betoko**, Director



### **Prejudice is a Double Edged Sword**

4:57 min, Italy (*Age group: 18-25*)

By **Centro Interculturale Mondinsieme, Quattro Castella.**

**Ihssan Ait Yahia**, Coordinator

- PLURAL+ COPEAM Award

**Synopsis:** Though there are great differences between cultures, everyone has their own prejudices.

Presented by **Amy Muedin** on behalf of COPEAM

Accepted by **Nicoletta Manzini**, Co-ordinator



### **Ripples**

4:59 min, Japan (*Age group: 18-25*)

By **Hiroaki Saito. TongZhou Wei**, Producer

- PLURAL+ Doha Center For Media Freedom Award

**Synopsis:** Based on a true story, 'Ripples' is the story of a brother who urgently applies for government welfare payments to assist his mentally handicapped sister, knowing that he is also in poor health and may not be

able to care for her any longer.

Presented by **Uma Patel** on behalf of Doha Center For Media Freedom

Accepted by **Hiroaki Saitou**, Director



### **If We Were...**

1:49 min, Mexico (*Age group: 18-25*)

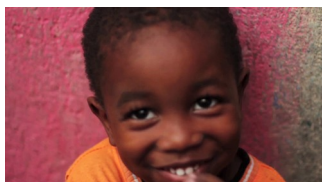
By **Rocío Román Moreno**

- PLURAL+ Barcelona Forum of Cultures Award

**Synopsis:** Through an innovative filmmaking technique, this film shows the many different types of people in society and how much beauty diversity can bring.

Presented by **William Harvey** on behalf of Barcelona Universal Forum of Cultures

Accepted by **Rocio Roman Moremo**, Director



### **Dreams**

4:59 min, Haiti (*Age group: 18-25*)

By **Romel Jean Pierre. Roberto Gomez**, Adviser

- PLURAL+ Turkish Cultural Center of New York Friendship Award

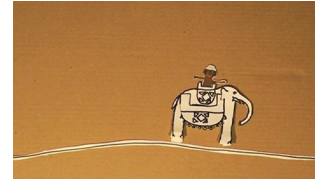
- PLURAL+ Global Block Award

**Synopsis:** After the devastating earthquake that hit Haiti in 2010, a group of Haitians tell of their dreams and hopes for their country.

Presented by **Mehmet Kilic**, Executive Director of Turkish Cultural Center of New York

**Clara Guerrero and Jelani Mashariki**, Founding Members of Global Block

Accepted by **Romel Jean Pierre**, Director



### **World Friends**

5:00 min, France (*Age group: 13-17*)

By **Lou Rameau-Sender, Estelle Carré-Viala & Maeva Fafin.**

**Cumulo Nimbus**, Coordinating Organization

- PLURAL+ Humanity Without Borders Foundation Award

**Synopsis:** "Indian, African, Eskimo..." This animation about sustainable development and global solidarity has a simple message: the world is

better when we help each other.

Presented by **David Michaels**, President, Humanity Without Borders

Accepted by **Lou Rameau-Senderr**, Director and **Maeva Fafin**, Director



### **One Day As A Migrant**

5:15 min, Mexico (*Age group: 13-17*)

By **Isaac Zúñiga, César González, Erick Möller, Erik Aguilar, Emilio Cabra, Jorge Alcalá and Gustavo Pérez of Colegio Carol Baur**

- PLURAL+ Global Block Award

**Synopsis:** A video about the arduous journey that migrants from Central America make through Mexico in their efforts to reach the US.

Presented by **Clara Guerrero and Jelani Mashariki**, Founding Members of Global Block

Accepted by **Emilio Cabra Arellano**, Writer; **Ana Gabriela Durán Quesada**, Filmmaker and **Mrs. Lourdes Revilla**, Teacher



### **Better Than a Cat**

4:35 min, Russia (*Age group: 18-25*)

By **Maxim Shavkin**

- PLURAL+ NEXOS Alianza Award

**Synopsis:** The story of a boy who overcomes loneliness by challenging his prejudices, with help from his friends.

Presented by **Jiaying Li** on behalf of NEXOS Alianza

Accepted by **Sofia Arzumanyan**, Director, Noosfera Foundation



### **Wapikoni Mobile**

4:15 min, Canada (*Age group: 13-25*)

- PLURAL+ Honourable Mention Award

**Synopsis:** This video contains excerpts from four preselected PLURAL+ entries submitted by Wapikoni Mobile, a traveling media studio providing production support to First Nations' youth in Quebec, Canada.

Presented by **Marc Scheuer**, Director, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

**Michele Klein Solomon**, Permanent Observer to the United Nations, IOM

Accepted by **Manon Barbeau**, Director, Wapikoni Mobile; **Emilio Wawatie**, Filmmaker

## **Closing Remarks**

**Jordi Torrent**, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

**8:00 pm End of Ceremony**