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Documentary on Agent Orange to be screen in the US

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The documentary tells the story of Thoa, a forgotten victim of AO in Vietnam, whose younger brother is also an AO victim.

HANOI  TIMES The documentary "Inside This Peace" featuring a forgotten victim of Agent Orange (AO) living in Vietnam will be screened on Vimeo On Demand across the US on December 25, VietNamNet reported.

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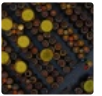
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A scene in the film. Photo: Vietbao.vn

"Inside This Peace" was directed by Linh Nga, an America-based producer and director. The documentary tells the story of Thoa, a forgotten victim of AO in Vietnam, whose younger brother is also an AO victim.

Thoa has scary skin with huge black patches, numerous lumps and hair all over her body. The lumps are filled with fluid and can't be drained. For decades, Thoa's parents have been looking for government's help.

Linh Nga first met Thoa when she was 13 years old when they sat next to each other on a plane on the way to a charity performance in the central city of Da Nang.

The hairs on Thoa's fingers were very prickly. When she moved her arm next to Linh Nga's, it was almost painful, but not the same pain she felt for her.

"That's one of the reasons I wanted to make a documentary about her and do something for Thoa and people like her," Linh Nga said.

Linh Nga won the TV Best Series award for her Xuoi Nguoc Duong Tran (In The Shadow Of Life) movie at the Vietnamese International Film Festival in 2003.

“The documentary is an interesting blend because it portrays a sense of the environment, the city and people like Thoa, following her struggle and hopes and what she’s going through that shows how brave she is,” said film director and music composer Roy Finch.

At the invitation of this year’s film festival, the movie "Inside This Peace" will be screened for Christmas within the same week. Audiences in the US will see, choose and vote for the film. The highest winning film will be awarded and selected for screening on the occasion of the upcoming festival.

“Inside This Peace” is the second film produced by director Linh Nga.

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