SEASON FOUR
FILM SCREENING
Free and open to the public

MAY
Wed, 5:30-7:00pm

A VILLAGE ACROSS THE WORLD 跨越世界的村莊
Directed by Qian Ying 钱颖 and Li Jie 李洁
2004, 48 mins, China/USA
Chinese and English, with English subtitles

The screening will be followed by a discussion with the filmmaker
Qian Ying, Post-doc Fellow at Australian Centre on China in the World

The Auditorium, China in the World Building 188, Fellows Lane, ANU

This monthly film series offers a fresh window on social realities, cultural transformations and creative imaginings from across Asia and the Pacific, through documentary and feature films made by some of the most entertaining, insightful and uncompromising filmmakers in our region. Screenings are followed by a short discussion, led by relevant local and invited scholars and filmmakers.

Sponsored and hosted by the Australian Centre on China in the World, the series is programmed by a team with diverse expertise in visual culture, dramatic arts, independent cinema and popular culture in Asia and the Pacific.

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A VILLAGE ACROSS THE WORLD follows a group of foreign English-teaching volunteers into the cultural and emotional landscape of a Chinese village. Tucked away in the mountains, the village of Huangtian seems to be a poor, forgotten outpost unaffected by dynamic changes happening elsewhere in China. Yet the arrival of the volunteers reveals rich historical memories and changing power structures underlying the life of the village. As the ‘foreigners’ become increasingly involved in the villagers’ lives, both sides reflect on the fruits and dilemmas of intercultural contact and economic development.