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Inspirational Amputee, Sian Green's Story Hits The Big Screen!

On July 15th 'No Fare: The Sian Green Story', a new feature-length documentary about a Leicester woman who was maimed by a reckless New York taxi driver, receives its world premiere at Phoenix Cinema.

2013. New York. A taxi mounts the sidewalk and hits 23-year-old British tourist, Sian Green. A celebrity doctor and quick-thinking plumber save her life, but she loses her leg. There's no compensation for Sian and no punishment for the driver.

Since 2015, local filmmakers, Matt Holt and Wayne Kelly have been documenting Sian's journey in Leicester and the US. They accompanied Sian when she returned to New York in 2016, filming key witnesses, legal experts and securing an exclusive interview with Faysal Himon – the man who drove his taxi into a crowded pedestrianised square and changed Sian's life forever.

With dramatic first-hand testimony, cinematic reconstruction and Sian's personal video diaries, No Fare tells the story of that fateful day in New York, Sian's inspiring road to recovery and her long fight for justice.



'No Fare' has its world premiere in Sian's hometown at Leicester's Phoenix Cinema and Arts Centre on July 15th. Following the screening, there will be a live Q and A session with Sian and the filmmakers. Tickets are available <u>online here</u> and more information on the film and Spoon Jar Films can be found here.

Director, Matt Holt: "We have been on a real rollercoaster putting Sian's story on film. We were shocked to discover the level of traffic violence in New York. It seems offending drivers are rarely charged and victims receive little or no compensation, some unfortunately don't live to tell their own stories. 'No Fare' is a powerful statement about a broken system and a message of hope."



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Producer, Wayne Kelly: "After working on the film for so many years, it's been emotional to follow Sian's inspirational journey. No Fare has become very personal for Matt and myself. We're passionate about bringing this story to a wider audience and it's an honour to be able to hold the world premiere in Leicester."



Sian Green-Lord: "It was almost quite therapeutic for me to keep reliving some moments and it actually helped me - it was definitely one of the things that helped me along the way. It's given me confidence. I do talks in schools now and to watch the children's faces change as I tell the story is really special."

PRESS ENQUIRIES

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NOTES TO EDITORS

- 'No Fare: The Sian Green Story' World Premiere is July 15th, 7.15pm at Phoenix Cinema and Arts Centre, followed by a live Q and A with Sian and the filmmakers.
- Additional screenings on Saturday July 16th, 3.15pm and Sunday 17th, 5.15pm
- Sian is available for interviews, able to talk to about the crash, her recovery and subsequent modelling career, as well as the difficulties she and other amputees face on a day to day basis. Sian also designed her own Louis Vuitton prosthetic limb, as seen on No Fare publicity materials, and successfully founded her own charity, 'The Sian Green Foundation'.
- Matt and Wayne are also available for interviews. Talking points include the filmmaking challenges faced, like securing an interview with driver Faysal Himon and producing cinematic reconstructions sequences on a budget – including recreating Rockefella Plaza on the streets of Leicester!
- Watch the trailer <u>here</u>.
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