

LaborFest 2006

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LaborFest 2006 Press RELEASE

Focus On Workers Who Rebuilt San Francisco

LaborFest this year is launching its 13th annual festival celebrating working people through art, culture and film. It will take place in San Francisco and Oakland from July 5, 2006 through July 31, 2006.



This year is also the 100th anniversary of the San Francisco 1906 earthquake and LaborFest will be commemorating the workers who rebuilt San Francisco with an exciting new exhibition of original photographic images of workers reconstructing San Francisco. LaborFest in conjunction with the Rebuilding San Francisco Committee will have an opening reception of this historic exhibition on July 5, 2006 at 5:00 PM on the lower level of San Francisco City Hall. It also includes the modern work of photographer Joseph A. Blum who is documenting the on going construction of the East Bay span of the bay bridges and other major building projects.

Throughout the month there will be presentations, art and music from the period of the earthquake. There will also be walks, boat rides and cable car excursions with labor historians and trade unionists about the role of working people during the earthquake.

The International Working Class Film and Video festival is held alongside LaborFest and this year and it will include two films about the earthquake including Cartography of Ashes (44 min.) 2006 at the Mission Cultural Center on July 7, 2006 and *Jour où la Terre Trembla (1906 The Earth Trembled)* which will be programmed on July 14, 2006 at 1078 Howard St. San Francisco.

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