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**Revolutionary International Treaty Animation Debuts On YouTube**

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Marking an advance in both the art of animation and the evolution of international law, the new seven-minute video *Thunder Head Clearing* has been released via free worldwide distribution on YouTube.

In this seven-minute blend of realistic fine arts drawings and fantastical 3D animation backed by an original orchestral score, a gathering of strangers is drawn to a mysterious clearing in the woods where a towering creation of light and power sweeps them up in an extraordinary series of events in an attempt to overcome a haunting global plague.

Produced by Earthlight Pictures in Oregon and directed by American filmmaker and author John Teton with artists across the United States and abroad over seven years, “*Thunder Head Clearing*” makes a dazzling, mythic case for the real-world International Food Security Treaty (IFST). Originated by Teton in the 1990s, the Treaty is a well-grounded, linchpin proposal to realize to the age-old dream of ending world hunger that is endorsed by world-class leaders in politics, international human rights law, and religion (see [www.treaty.org](http://www.treaty.org)). Other than a preview screening at an annual United Nations food security conference in Rome this past October, this internet premiere has made *Thunder Head Clearing* available to the public for the first time.

John Teton, a graduate of Harvard and the San Francisco Art Institute, first studied filmmaking with Martin Scorsese at New York University. His many works include the international award-winning animated short, *B’raesheet*, the cosmology film program *Visions at T Minus Zero*, and the Yale Journal of International Affairs article, *The Armless Hand*, about the IFST. His appearance at the Rome UN Conference continued a series of presentations on the IFST at major universities, including New York University, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, the law schools of Harvard and Yale, as well as in five briefings for members and staff of Congress. Teton’s fiction includes *Elevation* (2015), *Appearing Live At The Final Test* (2003), and *Upsurge*, the early research for which gave rise to the IFST years before the book’s publication in 2006.

*Thunder Head Clearing* may be screened on YouTube. For further information, visit [www.earthlightpictures.com](http://www.earthlightpictures.com) and [www.treaty.org](http://www.treaty.org), call +1 (503) 697-7914 or email [info@earthlightpictures.com](mailto:info@earthlightpictures.com) [END]