

Dear Audience of the Olhares Mediterrâneo festival,

I have received today the announcement about the prize you have chosen to give my film “This is my land”, and was Really Happy about it!!

For me having the audience award, is the most exciting of awards, as it shows that the film manages to talk to whom it is supposed to.

I would have loved to come and meet you all in person, and discuss the issues that the film brings up. I do hope to come in a next edition of the festival and meet you all then. In the meantime, feel free to contact me, if you'd like to share any thought, or question, or anything else. You can send me messages throughout the film's Facebook

page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/This-is-my-land/771855762902830>

or website: www.thisismyland.fr, and I'll be happy to hear and to reply.

Nelson Mandela once said that “education is the only power to save the world”. I truly believe that. I think though, that it is to us, everywhere, to make sure that education is used in the right way, encouraging pluralism, free, creative and critic thinking. I trust you to pass on this message with me.

Warm regards from Paris and thank you all very much!

Tamara Erde