

FILM SCREENING



Friday 24 September

GALLERY III
25 King Street, G1 5QP

"Bonita" by Jan Nimmo

Part of the Merchant City Festival 2004
and
"Human Traffic - New Communities" exhibition
at
Glasgow Print Studio

"Bonita"

Glasgow based artist Jan Nimmo, has been gathering images and testimonies for the past three years to make a series of portraits of banana workers. In spring 2002 she visited Ecuador for the first time.

Although Ecuador is the world's largest exporter of bananas, the workers have the lowest pay and the worst conditions in the whole of Latin America. The country's biggest banana baron is Álvaro Noboa of the Bonita Brands company. He's the country's richest man and owns the world's fourth largest banana company but his workers are only paid \$3.00 a day - a lot less than the legal minimum wage.

When workers decided to organise and strike to gain the most basic of labour rights Jan found herself witnessing the violent attack on a peaceful occupation of a Bonita banana plantation.

Doors open 6.00 pm
Screening 6.45 pm
Talk by Jan Nimmo-7.15pm- 8pm

REFRESHMENTS SERVED



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