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**INVITE 5/9: The War Show: A Social Cinema Screening**

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## The War Show: A Social Cinema Screening

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**The regime's biggest fears were those who held cameras, so they were the first to be eliminated. — Obaidah Zytoon, co-director, The War Show**

When the Arab Spring reached Syria in 2011, 35-year-old radio DJ Obaidah Zytoon joined the revolution armed with two things: a video camera and hope. The portrait that resulted—encapsulating both the

euphoria of protest and the devastating violence—is the subject of the 2016 Venice Days Award-winning documentary, [The War Show](#).

Against the brutal backdrop of chaos and civil war, *The War Show* unfolds as an intimate account of the daily lives of Zytoon and her friends—among them a dentist, law student, and poet—and the transformations they endure documenting their own experiences of the Syrian conflict. But as protest marches turn into funerals, their ideas about the resistance—and their own identities—splinter. One thing, however, becomes clearer: the camera footage they collect doesn't just record the revolution—it is the revolution.

Join **New America NYC** for a screening of *The War Show* and a conversation with the film's producer and human rights experts on the state of the Syrian civil war and what it will take to move closer to resolution and peace.

## ***PARTICIPANTS***

*Introduction:*

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## **The War Show: A Social Cinema Screening**

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM EST

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35 E 21st Street, New York, NY 10010

Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Follow the conversation online using [#TheWarShow](#) and by following [@NewAmericaNYC](#).



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