

TOTAL DENIAL

David vs. Golaith
Film by Milena Kaneva



Friday April 18th
Maui Community College
Ka Lama 103 - 7:00 pm
Free - Public Welcome



Ka Hsaw Wa, winner of the Goldman Environmental Prize in 1999.

A Maui premier, **“Total Denial,”** is the story of a human rights activist, Ka Hsaw Wa, and fifteen villagers from the Burmese jungles who beat two giant oil corporations in an unprecedented lawsuit filed in U.S. courts over human rights violations in Burma.

In 1992, French TOTAL and UNOCAL embarked on a joint venture with the Burmese military regime to build a gas pipeline. The Burmese army, hired to provide security, forced many in the local population into slave labor, burned villages, raped women, tortured and killed porters. Hundreds of thousands of men, women and children went into hiding in the jungle as a silent genocide unfolded.

“Total Denial” was shot in Burma, Thailand, Europe, and the U.S. courts between 2000-2005. It shows how Ka Hsaw Wa, one of the leaders of the student movement for democracy in Burma in 1988, gathered the evidence of thousands of victims of human rights and environmental abuses and brought this precedent-setting lawsuit to the U.S. courts.

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