

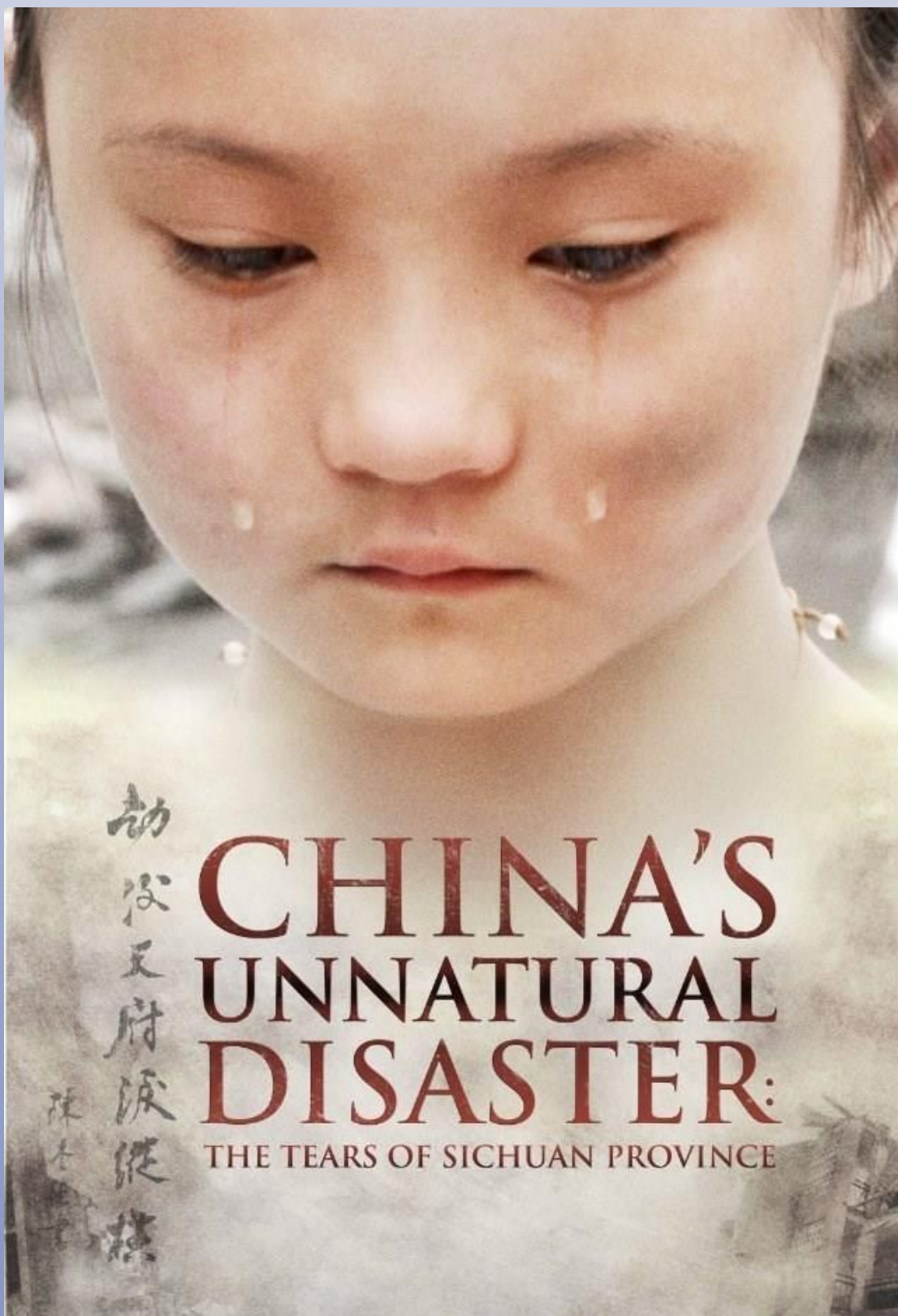


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## Film Screening Series: Protecting the Weak in China and Japan



In a series of film screenings at Frankfurt University, young international researchers and filmmakers will explore dimensions of “the weak” and their protection as depicted on the screen. Topical movies and documentaries from and about China and Japan are each followed by an open discussion. All films are subtitled in English and screened on Wednesday evenings, 18:00 at Campus Westend PEG 1.G 131, free of charge, for GU students and GU staff only.

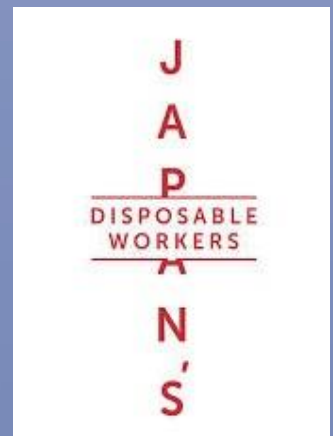
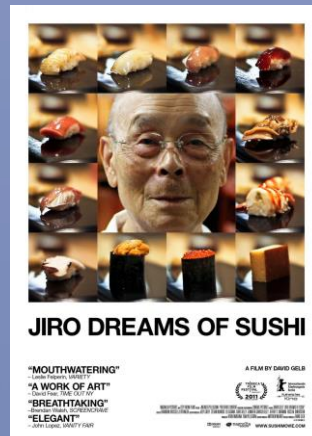
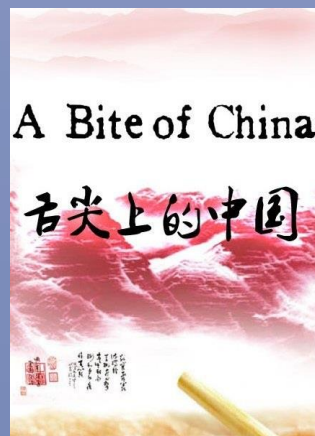
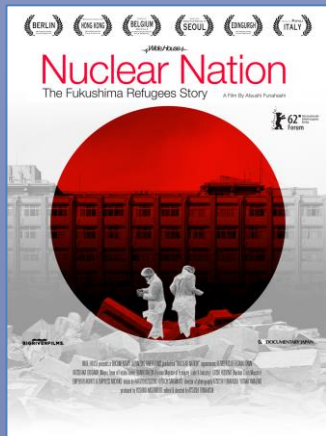
### China's Unnatural Disaster (2009)

January 14, 2015, 18:00,  
Westend, PEG 1.G 131

In May 2008, a 7.9 magnitude earthquake rocked Sichuan Province in south-western China. 90,000 people lost their lives, with more than 5,300 children who died mostly in their classrooms.

Because of shoddy construction, numerous school buildings crumbled during the disaster. This film documents the emotional struggle parents faced to seek explanations and justice. It will be followed by a discussion on social inequality and the impact of disasters by Chinese and German social scientists.

More films are coming up in 2014 and 2015, subject to copyright clearance.  
Please check [www.protectingtheweak.uni-frankfurt.de](http://www.protectingtheweak.uni-frankfurt.de) for updates!



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