

I'd like to raise the subject of a project that some of us in the Radical Film Network have been thinking about for some time...

this is the 50th anniversary of a political 'moment' that seems to reach around the world.

It is a festival inspired by the events of 1968, and anyone affiliated to the RFN can be part of it.



## LA BEAUTÉ EST DANS LE CINÉMA

The 'RFN 1968 festival' encourages and facilitates collective contemplation and reflection upon the events, images and films of 1968... and gives consideration to their resonance and influence now, in the popular imagination...

... 50 years later.

It also allows us to imagine how things might look 50 years from now, or how we would want them to look.

The model of the festival is devolved, decentred and autonomous. It is not completely non-hierarchical, in that there is some co-ordination involved.

It invites the huge number of different individuals, organisations, political and activist groups that make up the RFN to respond in their own way to the 50th anniversary of this potent political 'moment' by creating their own events under the banner of the RFN festival.

## **The plan:**

Anywhere and everywhere, around the world, people will propose and organise their own events, in their own areas, using whatever local venues and resources that they can access.

An online form to upload the event details and images will be set up at the end of January 2018 and then, once we're ready, the events will be added and made public in the spring.

The festival will begin with a launch in April and a programme of events held throughout May 2018, although it has the potential to continue for the rest of the year.

## **The programme:**

This area is entirely up to you!

There is a collection of ideas, resources and clips assembled on an online project board here - <https://padlet.com/lifflaura/186818>

There's a co-produced 1968 films list here -  
[https://letterboxd.com/rfn\\_1968/lists](https://letterboxd.com/rfn_1968/lists)

There is a Facebook group set up to share ideas and find collaborators -  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1584462938243447>

If you want to volunteer to co-ordinate events in your own area, or to link up with others who are interested, please email the festival co-ordinator Laura -  
[lifflaura@riseup.net](mailto:lifflaura@riseup.net)

## **What next?**

Think about what you want to screen / make / organise in May (and beyond) for this festival.

Add yourself to the co-ordinators' and participants' lists using Laura's email address above.

Laura will circulate the details of how to add your event as soon as we are ready.

## **Who's in?**