



## **The Baroness Sheehan**

Chair of House of Lords Select Committee for Environment and Climate Change  
and a Director of Peers for the Planet  
welcomes you to an advance screening of

## **Last Gasp**





We are extremely grateful to the Baroness Sheehan for generously sponsoring this screening.

## PROGRAMME

- 5.30pm Welcome by the Baroness Sheehan
  - 5.32pm Introduction by Tom Cholmondeley, Director of *Last Gasp*
  - 5.35pm **Advance screening of *Last Gasp* and discussion with cast**
- \*Sadly, Sir David Suchet is away and cannot attend.



Tom Cholmondeley  
Writer/  
Director

Tom has over 25 years experience as a documentary director. He has directed Anita Rani, Sir Tony Robinson and Mikhail Gorbachev. This is his debut drama.



Henry Ajayi Ward  
Producer

Henry started his career in children's TV at *Horrible Histories*. He recently oversaw Channel 4's series *48 Hours to Victory* filming in Belgium, France and UK.

## CAST



Martha Maloney  
as  
Julianna Harper  
Martha has recently graduated from Bristol Old Vic Theatre School and is currently writing a short film.



Aso Sherebayani  
as  
Thabit Karim  
Aso has starred in BBC *Casualty*, Alex Garland's *Warfare* and *The Swimmers*.



Waleed Elgadi  
as  
Raad Karim  
Waleed stars in Netflix's *Mosul* and is currently filming *Apollo has Fallen* for Amazon prime.

**6.05pm Footage from BBC World Service - *Under Poisoned Skies***



Director  
Jessica  
Kelly



Producer  
Owen  
Pinnell

**Awards for BBC - *Under Poisoned Skies***

Royal Television Society –  
*Best International Current Affairs*  
One World Media –  
*TV Documentary*

Rory Peck -  
*Sony Impact award*  
Foreign Press Association –  
*Environment Story of the Year*

Director Jessica Kelly and producer Owen Pinnell discuss their film.

**6.25pm Panel discussion on oil flaring its health impact and the barriers to stopping its reduction**



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Professor Frank  
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Imperial College



## Background

Flaring is the burning of unwanted methane gas during oil extraction. Sometimes called oil flaring, sometimes gas flaring. Flaring causes the iconic flames. But, it also releases chemicals such as benzene, naphthalene and black carbon, which can harm the health of people nearby.

Oil companies sometimes flare gas for safety reasons, to reduce the pressure of gas around underground oil reservoirs and prevent the risk of an explosion. The IEA notes that flaring is a significant waste of a valuable resource. With natural gas prices at historic highs, burning off gas translates into lost economic value that could otherwise be captured from the market.

In 2023 the World Bank stated Iraq flared 17 billion cubic metres of methane. Centrica says this represents the annual usage for 15 million UK consumers.

The Prime Minister of Iraq Muhammad Shia' Al Sudani has set an ambitious goal to eliminate routine flaring by 2028.

## Response

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## Further Research

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Enabling Peace in Iraq Center (Washington)  
flaring report



Hussein Julood statement – *The Times*

The Times coverage of Hussein Julood's  
compensation case



Clean Air Task Force – Latest flaring report

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