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Mugut (debate): The wheels of democracy

"Mugut (Debate): The Wheels of Democracy," an ethnographic film by Mitiku Gabrehiwot and Tesfahun Haddis, reveals how Sheffield's political culture in the UK is viewed by two anthropologist film makers from Ethiopia. In this film we see dedicated citizens fight back against the closure of their favourite café and a young British-Somali campaigning to represent his community.

I will host a screening of the film and share my experience as its filmmaker along with Mitiku Gabrehiwot which marks my first ethnographic film, offering me the opportunity to shift my camera lens towards exploring western cultures, as all my previous films were solely based in Ethiopia.

Tesfahun Haddis earned his master's degree in Theater and Development from Addis Ababa University. Since 2010, he has served as a lecturer and, from 2012 to 2013, as the head of the Department of Theater Arts at Mekelle University in Tigray, Ethiopia. Collaborating with anthropologists and filmmakers, he has contributed to the creation of several anthropological films, many of which have been featured at international film festivals. Furthermore, he has authored and directed several mainstream and applied theater productions, performed in Ethiopia. Currently, with support from the Gerda Henkel Stiftung, he is pursuing his PhD in the Department of Anthropology and African Studies at Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz.

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