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Cultivating Murder: A work in progress screening

The **Real Film Festival (RFF)** is back for a 5th year, offering audiences a unique chance to have their say in shaping one of the feature films on this year's bill.

RFF audiences are invited to a special "work-in-progress" screening of *Cultivating Murder*, a new feature documentary about the killing of land-clearing compliance officer Glen Turner who was shot dead by Moree farmer Ian Turnbull in 2014.

On July 29, 2014 Glen Turner, a compliance officer with the Office of Environment and Heritage, was shot four times and died on the side of an isolated public road 40kms from the rural town of Moree. *Cultivating Murder* is a film about Glen and what he believed in as a professional environmentalist.

The filmmakers have worked "under the radar" prior to the trial, and during the court case, which concluded with Turnbull's guilty verdict in May this year.

To unravel the events of the afternoon, *Cultivating Murder* features in depth interviews with Glen Turner's wife Alison McKenzie, his sister Fran Pearce and the key witness to the murder, Glen's work colleague Robert Strange, Turnbull's neighbor Alaine Anderson and environmental experts.

While the film is still being completed, director, Gregory Miller, will host a special Q&A session following the rough-cut preview screening and will put to the audience how they would like to see the film end.

The 'true crime' film is slated for general release in November and coincides with the anticipated introduction of a new draft Biodiversity Conservation Bill - which significantly weakens land clearing controls - into NSW Parliament later this month.

EVENT DETAILS

What: Work in Progress screening of *Cultivating Murder*
When: 3pm, Sunday, October 30
Where: Newcastle Tower Cinemas, King Street Newcastle

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