

McCullin



Don McCullin

Born in London 1935, Don McCullin is an internationally recognised British photo-journalist. He signed up to National Service in the RAF, and became a photographic assistant working on aerial reconnaissance printing. He later bought his own camera,

with which he took his first published photo which appeared in The Observer in 1959.

Between 1966 and 1984, he worked for The Sunday Times Magazine which was at the cutting edge of investigative, critical journalism. His assignments have included Biafra, the Belgian Congo, the Northern Irish 'Troubles', Bangladesh, the Lebanese civil war, El Salvador, and the Russian invasion of Afghanistan. He is, however, most famous for his photos of Vietnam and Cambodia. In 1993 McCullin was the first photojournalist to be made a Commander of the British Empire (CBE). He is also the author of more than a dozen books, and is recognised as one of the greatest war photographers in history.



Jacqui Morris

Jacqui Morris is the Director of *McCullin*. She began her career as a casting director, where she was in the vanguard of street casting for films, TV and commercials. She moved onto film production, initially making short films. One of these short films is *Values*, which won Bronze prize in the Turner Classics, British Film

Council New Talent representation.

With her brother, David, she also made the TV film *Mr. Right*, which was shown on the opening nights at New York, Miami, San Francisco, LA, Melbourne and Berlin Gay Film Festivals. The film received positive reviews from Variety, LA Weekly (Ten Ten film of the week), The Miami Herald, New York Cool and After Elton. *Mr. Right* was also sold to US Channel VH1, which still screens it regularly. Having gained exclusive access to Don McCullin, Jacqui and David Morris started work on *McCullin* in 2011.



Afsané Bassir-Pour

Director of the United Nations Regional Information Centre for Western Europe ([UNRIC](#)) in Brussels since 2006, Ms Bassir-Pour was the diplomatic correspondent of the French daily Le Monde from 1988 to 2006. She was based in New York until 2003 where she covered UN matters. Ms. Bassir-Pour co-created the CNN's weekly International Affairs program Diplomatic License and was a commentator on the show from 1994 to 2004. From 2003 to 2006 she was Le Monde's correspondent in Switzerland responsible for covering International Geneva in particular Human Rights Council, WTO and World Economic Forum (Davos).

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The Agreement, 22 May
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WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY

Secretary-General's Remarks on World Press Freedom Day

Each year on World Press Freedom Day, we reaffirm our commitment to the fundamental freedom to receive and impart information and ideas through any media, regardless of frontiers, enshrined in article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Yet every day of the year sees this right under assault, to the detriment of us all.

Journalists are singled out for speaking or writing uncomfortable truths – kidnapped, detained, beaten and sometimes murdered. Such treatment is completely unacceptable in a world ever more reliant on global news outlets and the journalists who serve them.

There must be no impunity for those who target journalists for violence, intimidation or distorted uses of legal procedures to disrupt or impede their work.

Media freedoms must continue to be at the centre of our work to promote security, dignity and prosperity for all.

Free media, traditional and new, are indispensable for development, democracy and good governance. They can promote transparency about the new goals that Member States will adopt – progress as well as shortfalls. Social media and mobile technologies offer new tools for accelerating citizen participation and economic and social progress. The media's watchdog function is essential for holding Governments, businesses and others to account. On this World Press Freedom Day, I call on all governments, societies and individuals to actively defend this fundamental right as critical factors in achieving the Millennium Development Goals and advancing the post-2015 development agenda. Freedom of expression, independent media and universal access to knowledge will fortify our efforts to achieve lasting results for people and the planet.

2013 in figures

- **71 journalists killed**
- **826 journalists arrested**
- **2160 journalists threatened or physically attacked**
- **87 journalists kidnapped**
- **77 journalists who fled their country**
- **6 media assistants killed**
- **39 netizens and citizen-journalists killed**
- **127 bloggers and netizens arrested**