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**ARTS CLUB OF WASHINGTON & EMMY AWARDED PRODUCER, TODD CLARK
PRESENT A TEN (10) WEEK FILM AND DISCUSSION SERIES ON
“DEMOCRACY, VOTING AND THE RULE OF LAW”**

Oct. 13, 2020 - Guest Panelist and Film:
**Monica Jahan Bose, Artist, Democracy & the Arts and
 Dustin Hoffman and Robert De Niro in “Wag the Dog”**

REGISTER HERE: https://artsclubofwashington.org/events/details/?event_id=4008557

Cocktail reception starts at 6:00pm

Screening and reception in large Outdoor Patio Courtyard

The sixth night of a unique 10-week Film & Discussion series focused on “**Democracy, Voting and The Rule of Law**” will occur on Oct. 13th, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Arts Club of Washington (2017 I Street, NW Washington, D.C.) with Artist, Monica Jahan Bose, **Arts and Democracy** and the screening of the classic Dustin Hoffman and Robert De Niro film, “**Wag The Dog**”.

Previous panelists include: Public Citizen, Fair Vote, RepresentWomen, Common Cause, Women’s Campaign Fund
Past screenings: “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington”, “A Face in the Crowd”, “The Manchurian Candidate”, “All the Presidents Men”
Special Previews: “Yearn to Breathe Free”, “Resisterhood”, “I Have a Right to Vote”

Curated and hosted by local EMMY Awarded Producer, **Todd Clark**, this timely series will provide its audiences with a weekly brief panel presentation and film screening that will showcase inspirational, entertaining, and educational classic American films whose storylines and characters will help its audiences to explore, celebrate and reaffirm the urgency and historic legacy of informed civic engagement and the protection of cherished constitutional liberties. Prior to the film screening will be a brief presentation by a representative from a leading constitutional and voting rights advocacy organization who will describe their efforts to preserve, defend and promote civic engagement and the right and ability to vote.

Monica Jahan Bose, Artist, & Member, Arts & Democracy. Monica Jahan Bose is a Bangladeshi-American artist, lawyer, and activist whose work blends art, policy, and science. She uses participatory installation, film, printmaking, painting, advocacy, and performance to speak to women’s experiences. Since 2016, Monica has worked with Arts & Democracy on several long-term socially engaged art and culture projects in Brooklyn, NY, and she will be the lead artist on a new Arts & Democracy project this spring, funded by the Asian Women’s Giving Circle. Arts & Democracy links arts and culture, participatory democracy, and social justice. Monica shares Arts & Democracy’s goal of cultural organizing as a vehicle for increasing participation in civic life. Monica lives and works in Washington DC. Every election, Monica dedicates hundreds of volunteer hours to voter registration, getting out the vote, and voter protection at the polls in swing states.

Wag the Dog. Two weeks prior to reelection, the United States president lands in the middle of a sex scandal. In need of outside help to quell the situation, presidential adviser Winifred Ames (Anne Heche) enlists the expertise of spin doctor Conrad Brean (Robert De Niro), who decides a distraction is the best course of action. Brean approaches Hollywood producer Stanley Motss (Dustin Hoffman) to help him fabricate a war in Albania -- and once underway, the duo has the media entirely focused on the war.

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