



Australia Western Sahara Association presents a film about a remarkable young activist fighting for a free Western Sahara

The Runner

Jamie Parker MP, Member for Balmain, will host this special screening of *The Runner* at NSW Parliament House

The Honorable Dr Meredith Burgmann will introduce the film

The Runner is the story of a world champion long-distance runner Salah Hmatou Ameidan whose journey transformed him from an athlete into the symbol of a national liberation movement. He comes from Western Sahara, under Moroccan occupation since 1975. His story is an inspiring one. Film duration - 97 mins

Wednesday 14 May 2014

6.00pm for 6.15pm start

Location: Theatrette, NSW Parliament House, 6 Macquarie Street

Tickets: \$15, \$8 (concession) – film and glass of wine included

"The Runner is an excellent and necessary way of telling the 'forgotten' story of Western Sahara." - John Pilger

"This is a very important project. The story of the Western Sahara is one of the great untold stories of the present time." - Ken Loach

Official film website: http://www.touristwithatypewriter.com/therunner/runner_synopsis.htm

Follow The Runner on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Runner/254310075681>

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All funds raised will go towards medical supplies for the 125,000 Saharawis waiting in desert refugee camps for the promised UN referendum on self-determination for their country.