

Child Aids victims on film

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For them, the situation is dire: born with a deadly disease, orphaned, abandoned by their families. But children born with HIV/Aids survive, and a new documentary, *Living with the Tiger*, sheds light on how they manage to stay alive.

Instead of the depressing and predictable images often associated with HIV and Aids, the film's alternative approach shows an inspiring group of children that have been changing people's attitudes towards the disease and those who are infected. The children live in a rural village called Baan Gerda, where they are loved and cared for in family style homes. The upbeat atmosphere and their zest for life hides the suffering they experienced in their early days. Directed by Mike Thomas, the film focuses on two of the children as they take an emotional journey back to the families that had left them to die at a hospice; some of the family members are even shocked to see that they are still alive. Will they be accepted or rejected?

Living with the Tiger will be screened at the FCCT on March 14, at 7pm.

Reaction / Reflection

When I read this news, I feel good because they not object to them and see what's their attitudes, and make a film. It's good because they gave a chance to children with AID. I think this film will reflect to real life that even they had dire disease. They can do any things. They got chance same others and can do what normal people can. I think this film will power others that think they can't do something or people who give up on something to have power to try it again and I'm sure that they can make it happen !