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## **Leonardo DICAPRIO - BEFORE THE FLOOD - Soon on NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC Channel**

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'Before the Flood' presents a riveting account of the dramatic changes now occurring around the world due to climate change, as well as the actions we as individuals and as a society can take to prevent catastrophic disruption of life on our planet. The idea of the Documentary 'Before the Flood' came from Academy Award-winning filmmaker Fisher Stevens and Academy Award-winning actor, environmental activist and U.N. Messenger of Peace Leonardo DiCaprio.

The film follows Leonardo DiCaprio as he travels to five continents and the Arctic speaking to scientists, world leaders, activists and local residents to gain a deeper understanding of this complex issue and investigate concrete solutions to the most pressing environmental challenge of our time. It will be broadcasted on National Geographic Channel on October 30, 2016. The Parisian Avant-Première was given at the Théâtre du Châtelet in PARIS on October 17, 2016. We were attending, with other celebrities the Mayor of PARIS Anne Hidalgo, and the Minister of the Environment, of Energy and Sea Ségolène Royal.

Leonardo DiCaprio and Fisher Stevens had known each other for years through acting circles, and then became better acquainted when they both participated in 'Mission Blue', a trip to the Galapagos honoring marine biologist and 2009 TED Prize winner Sylvia Earle.

Fisher Stevens had already made several acclaimed documentaries about environmental issues, including 2014's 'Mission Blue' (co-directed with Robert Nixon) about Sylvia Earle's campaign to create a global network of protected marine sanctuaries, and last year's climate change film 'Racing Extinction', which he produced along with Olivia Ahnemann.

Probably his best known work is 'The Cove', a Documentary he produced that exposed the secretive and brutal practice of dolphin hunting in Japan for which he shared an Academy Award with Director Louie Psihoyos. The upcoming National Elections in the U.S. also figured into the filmmakers' decision to make 'Before the Flood', and to complete it by the fall of 2016.

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