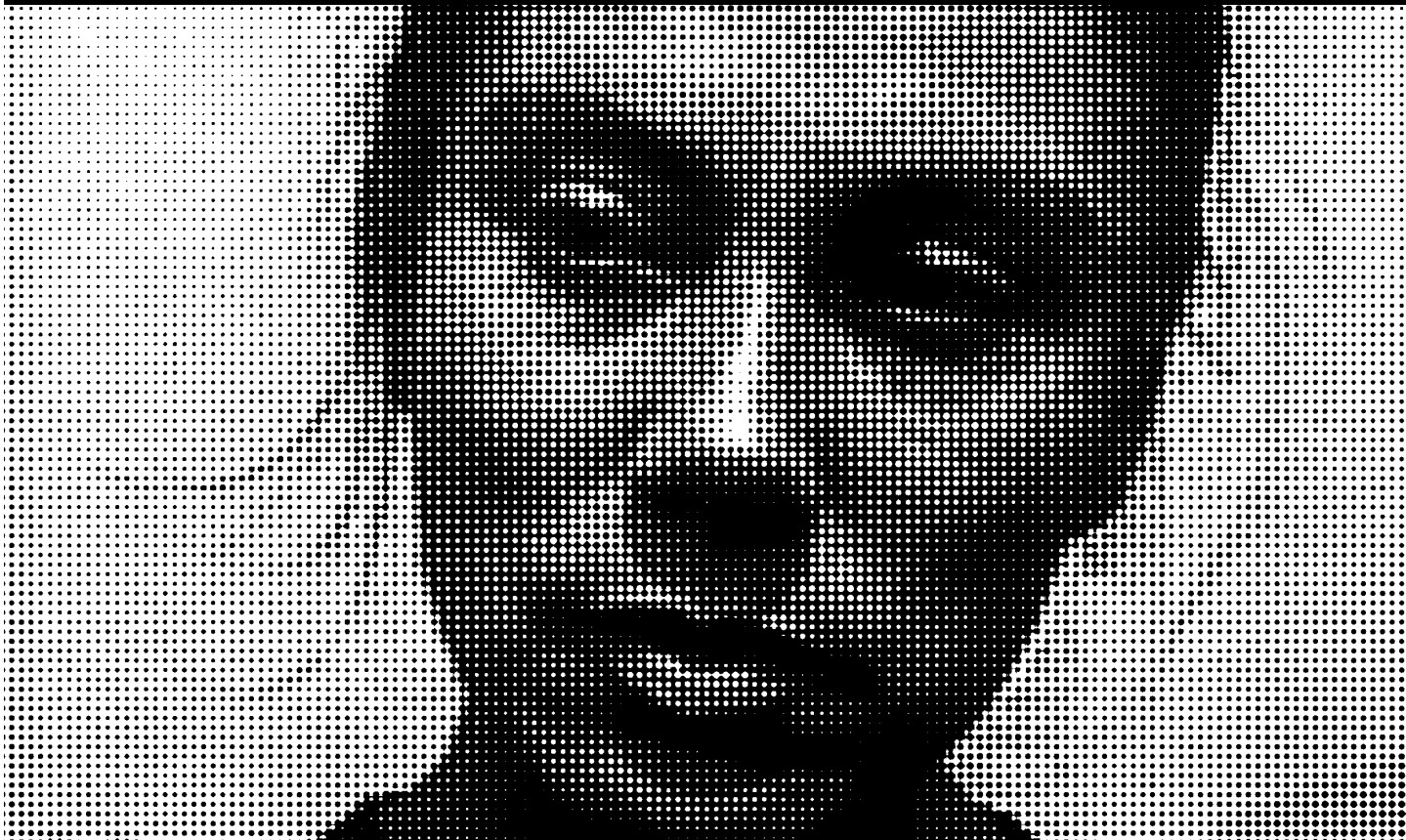


“A movie so thoroughly **suppressed** on its release in 1954 that some film historians call it the only **blacklisted American movie.**” — Lee Hockstader, *Washington Post*



The Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) presents a **FREE SCREENING** of

SALT OF THE EARTH

DIRECTED BY **HERBERT J. BIBERMAN**

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“They could not break our lines.” So says Esperanza, the female protagonist

of this landmark 1954 film made by members of the blacklisted Hollywood Ten. Touching on issues of race, sex and class, the film powerfully recreates the events of the 1950 strike by the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers against the Empire Zinc Corporation in New Mexico. The strike is ultimately won by the miners’

wives who take over the picket lines when a court injunction prevents the strikers from picketing. Set against the backdrop of McCarthyism, miners and their wives struggle against not only racism from their bosses, but sexism within their own ranks.

Time: 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 3, 2009

Place: Innis Town Hall (U of T — 5 minute walk south of St. George subway station), 2 Sussex Avenue, Toronto

Doors open at **6:30 p.m.**, film begins at **7:00 p.m.**
Panel discussion to follow film. Free coffee, tea, and snacks.

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