

# Ukrainian Woman Rescues Animals Despite Getting Rabies and Landmine Injury Visits London To Show "War Tails" Film

Ukrainian homeless animals caused by Russian invasion are caught in the crossfire, but there is hope.

LONDON, ENGLAND, May 21, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In the wake of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, various NGOs including K9 Rescue International, <u>UWARF</u>, Worldwide Vets, Naturewatch Foundation, Reactaid and UAnimals, have been working tirelessly to address the devastating impact of the war on both people and animals. These organizations have witnessed firsthand the destruction of hospitals, homes, entire villages, and the



heartbreaking abandonment of countless animals left to fend for themselves. In an effort to shed light on these critical issues, they have produced a powerful and emotional documentary, "<u>War Tails</u>."

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You become responsible, forever, for what you have tamed."

> Antoine de Saint-Exupéry -The Little Prince

We are pleased to announce an exclusive pre-screening of "War Tails" at the prestigious Genesis Cinema in London's East End on Tuesday, 4 June 2024. This special event will bring together supporters, animal lovers, and activists to experience the moving stories captured during the missions in Ukraine.

The documentary chronicles the extraordinary efforts of

Dan Fine, who, despite battling Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, has been a driving force in animal rescue operations. It also follows Krystina Dragomaretska, an architect-turned-volunteer, who contracted rabies while saving a dog and was injured this week by a land mine during an evacuation mission. She was saving animals left behind in Volchansk, just outside Kharkiv while

the Russians advanced on the village. Both Dan and Krystina (on crutches) will be present at the screening to share their experiences and insights.

<u>Dominic</u> Dyer, a political campaigner for animal rights, will be leading a debate after our charity screening of "War Tails" on the key takeaway points regarding the animal welfare disaster, discussing the potential mass culling of the dogs and what the international community needs to do urgently to prevent the developing animal welfare emergency.

#### Synopsis:

The media coverage of the Ukrainian conflict often highlighted people fleeing with their pets, but the reality was far grimmer. An estimated million pets were abandoned as families were forced to leave their companions behind due to transportation restrictions. These animals were left at bus and train stations, on the streets, chained, or locked in apartments with no food or water.

"War Tails" delves into the severe animal welfare crisis that has emerged, exacerbated by misconceptions and inadequate pre-war sterilization efforts. The film highlights the growing threat of a rabies outbreak, with new cases continually reported near the front lines.

Dan and Krystina's partnership began at the Poland-Ukraine border and has since grown into a mission to capture, sterilize, vaccinate, and rehome stray animals across the most dangerous regions of Ukraine. Their journey has been marked by encounters with dedicated volunteers and professionals who risk their lives daily to save these vulnerable animals.

### Urgency of the Crisis:

The potential for a mass rabies outbreak in Europe looms large, with millions of homeless animals in Ukraine. Volunteer groups have sterilized and vaccinated 30,000 animals since 2022, but the need remains immense. To prevent further catastrophe, over 150,000 animals must be sterilized and vaccinated annually.

This screening of "War Tails" is not just a film showing but a call to action. The next five years are critical in averting an impending disaster and protecting the lives of countless animals.

### Event Details:

- Date: Tuesday, 4 June 2024
- Time: Discussion 6pm Film Starts 6:30pm
- Location: Genesis Cinema, 93-95 Mile End Road, London, E1 4UJ

For more information and tickets, please visit <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/exclusive-preview-of-our-war-tails-documentary-film-before-official-release-tickets-884979215657?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl</u>

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