

# Trek to Bucha - A new feature length documentary currently in post-production for completion summer 2022.



See the Trailer...

<https://vimeo.com/709512914>

Premiere  
set for  
Sept. 11 in  
Boston!\*

We have great footage. Now we need to finish the film.



From Boston, to Warsaw, to Lviv, to Kyiv, to Bucha, we get a real look at what's really happening, almost like being there in person.

Much is being asked of people in the west to support Ukraine. Especially in terms of higher food and gas prices, and the billions in aid that will need to continue to keep up the fight. Unfortunately, war fatigue is already setting in.

We hope this production will help further this moral and real support that is so vital - and to let Ukrainians know that America stands by them.

Shot in 4k Richards documented what he found. All interviews were conducted in English since many in Ukraine speak it well. We already have a rough-cut trailer and production is finished. Now we need to edit the film and add elements to make it the engaging film it needs to be.

We need your support. Please read on for more about the film and how to help.

[TrekToBucha.com](http://TrekToBucha.com)

*In every human Breast,  
God has implanted a  
Principle, which we call  
Love of Freedom; it is  
impatient of Oppression,  
and pants for Deliverance.*

[Phillis Wheatley](#) - 1774



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One month into Russia's war on Ukraine, 61-year-old documentarian Steve Richards began a month-long journey to gather stories from a place where citizens endured Russian tanks, snipers, and unfathomable atrocities. A place where shelled homes, bombed businesses, and lost jobs, are the result of artillery bombardments opening up on their neighborhoods. Stories about people like us caught in a war few imagined - in a town they love, in a country they find unexpectedly united. Trek to Bucha is their story.

*Thank you again for your brave effort and personal commitment to produce the documentary film about the war in Ukraine. Your documentary film will be part of the recorded history about the sacrifice and heroism of the Ukrainian people in defending their freedom, dignity, and sovereignty. - Fr. Yaroslav and Parishioners of Christ the King UCC*

## The Team

**Steve Richards – Director** (For his filmography click [here](#).)

Richards directs and produces all of TheoEco's documentaries. He went to Ukraine to film *Trek to Bucha* in late March 2022 for a month-long shoot that is the basis for the film. With four documentaries under his belt, he started TheoEco in 2015.



**Bobbie Richards - Producer**

Bobbie Richards is a co-founder and the youngest director of TheoEco Institute.



**Amit Nepali - Editor, Associate Producer**

Amit Nepali, based in Kathmandu, is an indispensable member of the team as editor, music composer, guide, translator, and producer.



**A.J. Niilo - Musical Contributor - "Gunz" Theme Song Composer**

A.J. performs with artists from David Lee Roth to Shakira, Joss Stone and many others. He writes music for television and currently has music on the cable network Epix on the show "Get Shorty" and on Hulu's "The Handmaid's Tale."



## Synopsis (Sample)

The most harrowing day of the month-long trek was the hike into Bucha where Richards navigated checkpoints, trenches, possibly mined dirt roads, and territorial dogs. What he saw when he arrived was even worse than the newscasts. The day concluded with a warm welcome by an unexpecting hotelier. For more see: [Way to Bucha](#).

Richards spent the next week touring Bucha. The sites of the atrocities are documented in Richards' footage, and much more including interviews with a survivor who had been bound and blindfolded for days in his ransacked apartment and a man rummaging through the vehicle his mother was shot and died in. For more see: [Bucha](#).



## Fundraising and Budget

Shooting has finished for Trek to Bucha and a trailer already produced. We are currently in Post-Production. Our goal is to finish the film for release in the summer of 2022. We are reaching out to distributors, wealthy donors, foundations, sponsors, and the various constituencies represented in the film. A fundraising effort amongst our email list and Facebook friends is also in the works.

The film's budget is projected at \$67,903 with \$38,830 incurred as of May 2022. \$29,073 is still needed.

For a detailed budget go to: [Trek to Bucha - Budget and Timeline \(theoeco.org\)](#)



TheoEco documents and brings to light ecological struggles, while researching the economic and theological entanglements that influence them.

Incorporated in 2015 TheoEco Institute is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization headquartered in the United States.

\*Premiere will be held at Christ the King Ukrainian Catholic Church in Jamaica Plain. For more go to: [Premiere Screening \(theoeco.org\)](#)