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Winning film released in Michael Kiwanuka & FilmAid Music
Video Competition

New York/London – February 24, 2014 – Today, the winning film in Michael Kiwanuka and FilmAid’s music video contest was released on VEVO. The film, created by NeeNee Productions, was selected from over 30 submissions by a judging panel that included FilmAid’s founder, producer Caroline Baron (*Capote, Monsoon Wedding*).

The partnership between acclaimed British soul musician Michael Kiwanuka and FilmAid, hosted by Talenthouse, offered budding filmmakers the chance to create a music video for Michael’s song, “Home Again”.

“I’m proud to have been part of this collaboration with FilmAid, an organization doing exciting and important work with refugees worldwide”, said Michael Kiwanuka. “NeeNee Productions’ video reflects the hope encapsulated in “Home Again” and highlights the experience of a group of refugee women in a really beautiful way.”

On learning of their win, NeeNee Productions’ Gayle Nosal said, “It’s an honor and privilege to be part of a greater movement to build awareness of the challenges faced by refugees and displaced persons around the world. By choosing our video, FilmAid and Michael Kiwanuka have chosen to introduce a broader audience to one particular group of refugees and displaced teenage girls living together in Uganda and building a future for themselves.”

The competition invited entrants to use Michael’s song, “Home Again” as inspiration to tell the story of the more than 45 million refugees and internally displaced people in the world today. Filmmakers were asked to create films that evoked the feeling of being forced to flee their homes due to war, famine, persecution or natural disaster. Losing their house, possessions and being separated from family and friends.

Simon Goff, Executive Director of FilmAid said, “Thank you to all the filmmakers who have produced some incredible films depicting the experience of the millions of refugees and displaced people for whom home is a memory. There were some incredible submissions, and while there can only be one overall winner, all the filmmakers have contributed to shining a light on this pressing issue.”

NeeNee Production’s video is available to view now at <http://po.st/FilmAid>.

About FilmAid International

FilmAid uses the power of film and media to transcend language and literacy, bringing life-saving information, psychological relief and much-needed hope to refugees and other communities in need around the globe. For more information visit www.filmaid.org.

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