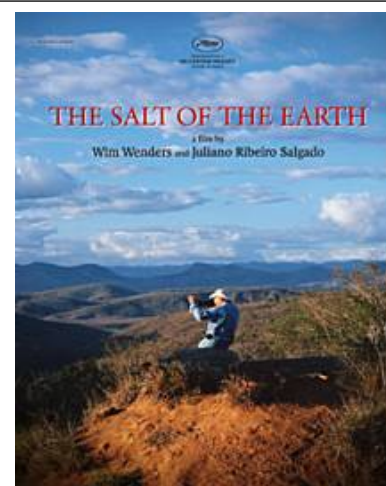


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### *The Salt of the Earth*

DIRECTOR	Wim Wenders, Juliano Ribeiro Salgado
YEAR / COUNTRY	2014 / France, Brazil
GENRE	Documentary
CAST	Wim Wenders (narrator), Sebastiao Salgado (narrator), Juliano Ribeiro Salgado (narrator)



### SYNOPSIS

“The Salt of the Earth” is a collaboration between Wim Wenders and Salgado's son Juliano Ribeiro Salgado.

It is a chronologically organized documentary regarding the life and work of the acclaimed photographer Sebastiao Salgado, told primarily by Salgado's journey from being a trained economist with the World Bank to his beautiful black and white photographs.

The film came out of Salgado's own story: from his experiences that few people have shared; from the fact that for 40 years he found himself in extreme situations, capturing humankind's heart-breaking atrocities: international conflicts, famine and exodus. Ethiopia, Rwanda, Kuwait, Yugoslavia. His stunning, monumental photographs reveal the soul of the artist and opens a space for perception into our consciousness.

However, what he witnessed and captured in his photographs took a heavy toll. After a respite, he rekindled his interest in photography, finding solace in more heartening projects. His latest is “Genesis”, for which he spent 8 years taking photographs - accompanied by his son Juliano - of the natural world as a tribute to the planet's beauty.

The film won the Special Prize in the “Un Certain Regard” section at the 2014 Cannes Film Festival and the César Award for Best Documentary Film at the 40<sup>th</sup> César Awards. It won the 2014 Audience Award at the San Sebastian International Film Festival and was also nominated for the Academy Award for Best Documentary at the 87<sup>th</sup> Academy Awards in 2014.

Salgado has been awarded numerous major photographic prizes in recognition of his accomplishments. He is also a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador, and honorary member of the Academy of Arts and Sciences in the United States.

Recommended: [www TED com/talks](http://www.TED.com/talks), Sebastiao Salgado: “The silent drama of photography”.

### LANGUAGE

Original version (French and Portuguese) with English subtitles.