



The makers of “Opal,” an independent film based on the life of educator and charismatic lover of nature **Opal Whiteley**, have been invited to show the trailer for their film at the Cannes Producers Network. The writer-director is **Dina Ciraulo**, who teaches in the film department at City College of San Francisco.

One supporter aiming to help raise funds for the full movie was given a list of prominent people in Oregon who might be interested. When she got there, she discovered that the riches she was asking them to share had mainly been gotten in the lumber industry, just the sort who would be villains in Whiteley’s world. And vice versa.

The movie has four more days of shooting. San Francisco friends will celebrate the trip to Cannes and help raise money for it at a going-away party on May 7. More information is at [www.reflectivefilms.com](http://www.reflectivefilms.com).