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## New Documentary Explores the Business of Big Fertility, Finds It's All About The Money

**San Francisco, CA/Sept. 13, 2018** — Jennifer Lahl and [The Center for Bioethics and Culture](#), producers of the award-winning [Eggsploitation](#) (2013), [Anonymous Father's Day](#) (2011), and [Breeders: A Subclass of Women?](#) (2014), announce the theatrical premiere of their new documentary film [#BigFertility](#).

Like Big Tobacco and Big Pharma, Big Fertility is what happens when an industry intentionally disregards—and indeed attempts to distract from—the harm it inflicts on its customers in the pursuit of profit. In all the slick marketing around surrogacy there is never any mention of the real and serious potential health risks to the young women who serve as ‘gestational carriers.’

In [#BigFertility](#) you will meet Kelly Martinez, a young mother who served as a surrogate mother for three different couples. She was threatened with financial ruin after nearly dying during her third surrogacy. But each of her three surrogacy journeys had a price to pay. Together, the stories of Kelly’s three surrogacies exemplify everything that is wrong with the distorted version of fertility medicine that is Big Fertility. It truly is all about the money.

Julie Bindel, journalist, feminist campaigner, and author, says “[#BigFertility](#) is one of the most important films you will ever see. Think surrogacy is a ‘right’ for the women doing it? Believe that everyone has the ‘right’ to their own biological child? Convinced that surrogacy can be regulated? Watch this dystopian tale and be horrified and educated to the realities of this human rights violation.”

Long-term women’s health advocate Dr. Renate Klein, writes, “[#BigFertility](#) is mandatory viewing for anyone who thinks surrogacy is just about beautiful babies and selfless women. It is about a ruthless industry whose coffers swell from human misery, deceit, ill health, and children as commodities who never consented to become take-away babies.”

Jennifer Lahl, writer, director, and producer of [#BigFertility](#) points out, “When people hear about Kelly, they are shocked, and rightly so. But the sad truth is, I know 50 other women just like Kelly.” She asks, “How many? How many Kellys will we have before we see a real change?”

[#BigFertility](#) will premiere on Sunday, September 16, 2018, at 7:30 pm at the Princeton Garden Theater in Princeton, New Jersey. Q&A with Writer, Director, Producer Jennifer Lahl, R.N., M.A. will follow: <http://princetongardentheatre.org/films/big-fertility>

[#BigFertility](#) will be available on demand, worldwide, beginning Monday, September 17, 2018, at <https://vimeo.com/ondemand/bigfertility>

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