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EVENTS

OPENING NIGHT

THU 27 OCT – 7.00PM

Join us in the magnificent surrounds of the art deco inspired National Film and Sound Archive, formerly the Museum of Zoology. In keeping with the venue's history, CIFF opens in 2016 with the Australian premiere of the intriguing magic-realist Russian drama **ZOOLOGY** followed by celebratory drinks in the heritage courtyard.

NFSA Arc Cinema

Screening: **ZOOLOGY**

Tickets: \$45/40 - Book online at ciff.com.au

REEL WOMEN

SAT 29 OCT – 2.30PM

Join Stephanie Clattenburg and Sahar Yousef (**PLAY YOUR GENDER**) from Canada as they discuss the importance of women in the film industry and the effects this has on how female roles are portrayed in film.

NFSA Theatre

Tickets: Free

LOOKING THROUGH THE LENS

PRESENTED BY THE AUSTRALIAN CINEMATOGRAPHERS SOCIETY

SUN 30 OCT – 2.30PM

Veteran cinematographer Geoff Burton (**STORM BOY**, **THE SUM OF US**, **THE YEAR MY VOICE BROKE**) demonstrates the techniques involved in shooting on analog film. He is joined by Canberra cinematographer Robb Shaw-Velzen (**BLUE WORLD ORDER**) who specialises in digital filmmaking. Get a behind-the-scenes insight into these two formats of cinematography and how they differ.

NFSA Theatre

Tickets: Free

HALLOWEEN HORROR

MON 31 OCT from 6.30PM

Celebrate Halloween with creatures and features at CIFF. Explore the fascinating world of movie monster creation in the practical effects documentary **THE FRANKENSTEIN COMPLEX**, followed by the latest from shock rocker and movie producer Rob Zombie with **ROB ZOMBIE'S 31**.

NFSA Arc Cinema

Screening: **THE FRANKENSTEIN COMPLEX** and **ROB ZOMBIE'S 31**

Tickets: Book online at ciff.com.au

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20TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

FRI 4 NOV - 8.00PM

Canberra International Film Festival boasts a rich history of Australian and world premieres, local and international guests and a community of film enthusiasts who have nurtured the festival over 20 years. Celebrate with us and our festival guests as we screen a 35mm print of **CHILDREN OF THE REVOLUTION** direct from the archives, screened at the inaugural CIFF in 1996 and winning the Audience Award that year. Director Peter Duncan and actor Richard Roxburgh will respond to questions from the audience after the screening.

NFSA Arc Cinema

Screening: **CHILDREN OF THE REVOLUTION**

Tickets: \$17/\$14.50 - Book online at ciff.com.au

CIFF SCRIPT-READS

SAT 5 NOV – 2.30PM

Join three local screenwriters as they preview sections of their original screenplays with live-readings from actors, followed by feedback and advice from our festival guest Stephen Sewell, Head of Writing for Performance at NIDA.

NFSA Theatre

Tickets: Free

WORKS IN PROGRESS

PRESENTED BY ACTSIA

SUN 6 NOV @ 3:00PM

Local filmmakers will be given 5 minutes each to present a screening of a work-in-progress or to pitch a film in an insightful workshop presented by the ACT Screen Industry Association. 10 minutes of peer review and industry professional advice will follow.

Register your project at ciff.com.au/works-in-progress

NFSA Theatre

Tickets: Free

CLOSING NIGHT

SUN 6 NOV – 6.00PM

After a jam-packed program of screenings, events and workshops, join us once more in the Arc Cinema for the exquisite documentary **THE CINEMA TRAVELLERS** to close the festival for 2016. The film takes a journey to the villages of India where showmen tour with their travelling cinemas and grapple with the threat of new film technologies. Afterwards, drinks will be flowing in the NFSA courtyard as we declare 'that's a wrap' for the 20th year.

NFSA Arc Cinema

Screening: **Cinema Travellers**

Tickets: \$30/27 - Book online at ciff.com.au

Visit our website for the full program, festival guests and the latest CIFF news.

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[VIEW THE FULL PROGRAM AT CIFF.COM.AU](http://www.ciff.com.au)

WELCOME

Welcome to the Canberra International Film Festival - celebrating 20 years of cinema and screen arts from across the globe.

Featuring incredible stories of discovery, tales of determination, heartbreaking tragedies and quirky comedies, the festival is the preeminent film event in our city's calendar.

Join us at the magnificent National Film and Sound Archives to see acclaimed international films, Australian premieres, interactive panel discussions and industry workshops. The festival is passionate about supporting the regional film community and will also feature some of the best homegrown cinematic works to be released this year.

Experience a captivating world of film as we celebrate the festival's 20th anniversary in 2016.

CURATOR'S CORNER

SATURDAYS + SUNDAYS FROM 4PM

Come along to Curator's Corner, where you become the programmer. Choose what to screen from a festival playlist of Canberra shorts, behind-the-scenes featurettes and special features. From 4pm til 8pm each Saturday and Sunday at the Theatre.

NFSA Theatre

Tickets: Free

CANBERRA SHORTS SHOWCASE

Visit our website for full details of the Canberra shorts screening in the Arc Cinema ahead of our international programme. The full selection will be available to watch after 4pm on Saturdays and Sundays at Curator's Corner.

Tickets: Free

Visit ciff.com.au for screening schedule

ECONV - NATIONAL ARBORETUM

SATURDAYS + SUNDAYS 12.30PM TO 2.15PM

Experience Canberra's National Arboretum in Virtual Reality with an immersive 3D experience. Developed at ANU's Research School of Biology, EcoVR is at the cutting edge of screen arts technology and provides a glimpse into what the future might hold for interactive science and cinema.

NFSA Theatre

Tickets: Free

TICKETS

Prices include booking fee + GST

Please note the Festival Sampler and Festival Experience packs exclude Opening and Closing Nights

SINGLE SESSIONS

Buy single tickets to individual film screenings.

ADULT CONCESSION

\$17 \$14.50

FESTIVAL SAMPLER

3 FOR 2

Choose any two screenings and receive one free.

PACK

\$34

FESTIVAL EXPERIENCE

8 FOR \$88

The best way to experience CIFF – see 8 screenings and save \$48!

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\$88

PATRON'S PASS

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Entry to all screenings and events, VIP Pass and your own seat at CIFF.

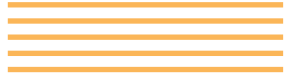
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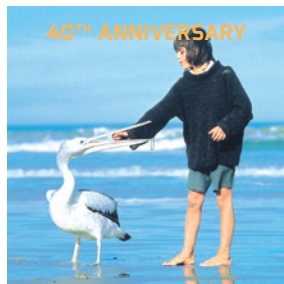
PROGRAM

27 OCT – 6 NOV 2016



CIFF's 20th anniversary program features a diverse and engaging selection of acclaimed international cinema and screen arts.

Visit ciff.com.au for full program



STORM BOY

SUN 30 OCT - 3.30PM

NFSA presents a new digital restoration of this iconic Australian classic about a boy and his pelican friend Mr Percival, facing the challenges of the outside world.

Q&A with cinematographer Geoff Burton and special guests
Director: Henri Safran
Drama/Family | 1976 | 88 mins | G
AUS | English



KILLS ON WHEELS

THU 3 NOV - 8.20PM

A darkly humourous film about a wheelchair-bound former firefighter who works as a hitman for hire, and his two twenty-something accomplices who are told to live life to the fullest.

Director: Till Attila
Action/Comedy | 2015 | 92 mins | MA15+
HUN | Hungarian, English subtitles



FOOTPRINTS ON OUR LAND

THU 27 OCT - 6.00PM

An important Canberra film recognising the story and legacy of Ngunnawal Elder Aunty Agnes Shea.

Q&A with director Pat Fiske, Agnes Shea and family
Director: Pat Fiske
Documentary | 2016 | 37 mins | PG
AUS | English



HARMONIUM

SUN 30 Oct - 6.00PM

This award-winning film tells an unsettling tale of a traditional Japanese family disrupted and dismantled by the introduction of a mysterious visitor.

Winner: Un Certain Regard Jury Prize at Cannes
Director: Koji Fukada
Drama | 2016 | 118 mins | MA15+
JPN | Japanese, English subtitles

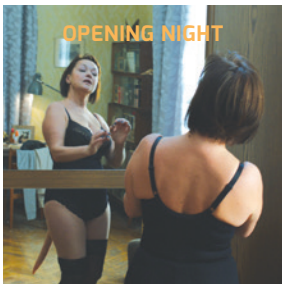


BAD GIRL

FRI 4 NOV - 6.00PM

Troubled teen Amy befriends local girl Chloe (played by Canberra raised Samara Weaving), but as dark obsessions are unearthed, their two worlds begin to fall apart.

Director: Fin Edquist
Thriller | 2016 | 90 mins | MA15+
AUS | English



ZOOLOGY

THU 27 OCT - 7.30PM

The first chance for Australian audiences to see this unique and unforgettable magic-realist Russian drama about a woman who grows a tail and turns her life around.

Australian Premiere
Director: Ivan I. Tverдовsky
Drama | 2016 | 87 mins | M
RUS | Russian, English subtitles



AKOUNAK TEDALAT TAHA TAZOUGHAI

SUN 30 OCT - 8.20PM

This musical journey comes from the Tuareg people of Niger and draws inspiration from Prince's **PURPLE RAIN**. Like the original, this film delivers a stunning soundtrack – but this time, it's desert blues.

Director: Christopher Kirkley
Drama/Musical | 2015 | 75 mins | M
NGA | Tamashek, English subtitles



CHILDREN OF THE REVOLUTION

FRI 4 NOV - 8.00PM

From the archive – 35mm print. This much-loved Aussie comedy about a young communist's brief affair with Stalin took out the audience award at CIFF 1996.

Q&A with director Peter Duncan and Richard Roxburgh
Director: Peter Duncan
Comedy | 1996 | 101 mins | M
AUS | English



MA' ROSA

FRI 28 OCT - 6.00PM
FRI 4 NOV - 1.00PM

Jaclyn Jose won best actress at Cannes for her portrayal of a desperate mother's quest to buy her freedom from the corrupt Manila police, and keep her family afloat.

Director: Brillante Ma Mendoza
Drama | 2016 | 110 mins | MA15+
PHL | Filipino, English subtitles



THE FRANKENSTEIN COMPLEX

MON 31 OCT @ 6:30PM

A unique look at the history of monsters on the big screen through practical effects, focusing on the relationship between the creatures and their makers.

Directors: Gilles Penso and Alexandre Poncet
Documentary | 2016 | 107 mins | M
FRA | English



HEART OF A DOG

SAT 5 NOV - 1.00PM

Laurie Anderson poetically combines music, animation and 8mm film from family archives to reflect on death and loss through her relationship with her beloved dog, Lolabelle.

Director: Laurie Anderson
Documentary | 2015 | 76 mins | PG
USA | English



APPRENTICE

FRI 28 OCT - 8.20PM
WED 2 NOV - 1.00PM

A stunning film exploring the psychological complexities of a young man faced with becoming the next chief executioner at the territory's top prison.

Director: Junfeng Boo
Drama | 2016 | 96 mins | MA15+
SGP | English/Malay, English subtitles



(ROB ZOMBIE'S) 31

MON 31 OCT - 8.20PM

Join us on Halloween for shock rocker and movie producer Rob Zombie's nightmarish horror film, where a group of carnival workers must fight to survive in a twisted game.

Halloween Special
Director: Rob Zombie
Horror | 2016 | 102 mins | R18+
USA | English



EMBEDDED

SAT 5 NOV - 3.30PM

Sexual and psychological tensions escalate in this bold political thriller, where a disillusioned journalist spends the night at an exotic hotel with an alluring stranger.

Q&A with director Stephen Sewell
Director: Stephen Sewell
Drama | 2016 | 80 mins | MA15+
AUS | English



THE MAGIC BRUSH

SAT 29 OCT - 1.00PM

Ma Liang's brush makes whatever he paints come alive, which makes him the target of a power-hungry general. Anyone old enough to read subtitles will adore this film.

Director: Zhi-Xing Zhong
Animation | 2014 | 87 mins | PG
CHN | Mandarin, English subtitles



ELLA

TUE 1 NOV - 6.00PM

Follow Ella Havelka's groundbreaking journey as Australia's first Indigenous dancer to join the Australian Ballet in their 50 year history.

Director: Douglas Watkin
Documentary | 2016 | 80 mins | M
AUS | English



DRIVING WITH SELVI

SAT 5 NOV - 6.00PM

You will fall in love with Selvi, a former child bride who courageously escapes her violent marriage to start a new life becoming South India's first female taxi driver.

Director: Elisa Paloschi
Documentary | 2015 | 74 mins | M
IND | English



DESTINATION ARNOLD

SAT 29 OCT - 3.30PM

Two Indigenous women share a dream to make it to The Arnolds - an invitation only bodybuilding competition being held in Australia for the first time.

Director: Sascha Ettinger-Epstein
Documentary | 2016 | 70 mins | M
AUS | English



MIMOSAS

TUE 1 NOV - 8.20PM

An enigmatic and mesmerising story of two separate journeys through the remote Atlas mountains in southern Morocco.

Winner: Grande Prize at Cannes Critics Week
Director: Oliver Laxe
Drama | 2016 | 93 mins | M
MAR | Arabic, English subtitles



BLUE WORLD ORDER

SAT 5 NOV - 8.20PM

Join the Canberra filmmakers at this landmark event. Amongst the ruins of a post-apocalyptic world, one man fights for survival to protect his daughter, the only remaining child on earth.

Q&A with directors Ché Baker + Dallas Bland, cast and crew
Directors: Ché Baker + Dallas Bland
Action/Sci-fi | 2016 | 113m | M
AUS | English



PLAY YOUR GENDER

SAT 29 OCT - 6.00PM

With women so vastly underrepresented, this documentary explores what it takes for them to make it in the music industry.

Q&A with director Stephanie Clattenburg and producer Sahar Yousef
Director: Stephanie Clattenburg
Documentary | 2016 | 78 mins | PG
CAN | English



NIGHT PARROT STORIES

WED 2 NOV - 6.00PM

Track the elusive Night Parrot through the Australian desert in this documentary that questions how knowledge is created and eventually lost.

Q&A with director Rob Nugent
Director: Rob Nugent
Documentary | 2016 | 89 mins | PG
AUS | English



HORTENSIA

SUN 6 NOV - 1.00PM

Argentina's answer to the French gem **AMÉLIE**. A shoe-obsessed young woman is on a quest for love in an attempt to cope with the unexpected death of her taxidermist father.

Directors: Diego Lublinsky + Álvaro Urtizberea
Black Comedy | 2015 | 90 mins | M
ARG | Spanish, English subtitles



TONI ERDMANN

SAT 29 OCT - 8.20PM

A humane and hilarious comedy about a father trying to reconnect with his adult daughter by interrupting her corporate lifestyle with a series of pranks, disguised as a life coach called Toni Erdmann.

Director: Maren Ade
Comedy | 2016 | 162 mins | M
GER | German, English subtitles



AUTHOR: THE JT LEROY STORY

WED 2 NOV - 8.20PM

Laura Albert, the unmasked writer behind "it-boy" teen novelist JT LeRoy, tells her side of the story in what may be the greatest literary hoax of our lifetime.

Director: Jeff Feuerzeig
Documentary | 2016 | 110 mins | MA15+
USA | English



HOTEL COOLGARDIE

SUN 6 NOV - 3.30PM

Two Finnish backpackers begin work at a local pub, exposing the disturbingly sexist culture in the remote mining town of Coolgardie.

Q&A with director Pete Gleeson
Director: Pete Gleeson
Documentary | 2016 | 84 mins | MA15+
AUS | English



CAMERAPERSON

SUN 30 OCT - 12.30PM

Cinematographer Kirsten Johnson (**FARENHEIT 9/11**, **CITIZENFOUR**) draws attention to the presence behind the camera in her directorial debut using outtakes from films she has shot.

Q&A with director Kirsten Johnson via Skype
Director: Kirsten Johnson
Documentary | 2016 | 103 mins | M
USA | English

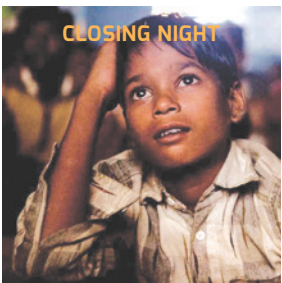


KAILI BLUES

THU 3 NOV - 6.00PM

A dreamy and poetic film about a country doctor's search for an abandoned child that takes him to a place where past, present and future become one.

Presented by the ANU Australian Centre on China in the World
Director: Gan Bi
Drama/Mystery | 2016 | 109 mins | M
CHN | Mandarin, English subtitles



CINEMATRAVELLERS

SUN 6 NOV - 6.00PM

Filmed over five years in India, this critically-acclaimed documentary is a magical ode to the enduring power of film.

Closing Night CIFF 2016
Directors: Shirley Abraham + Amit Madheshiya
Documentary | 2016 | 96 mins | G
IND | Hindi, English subtitles