

SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

6-17 JUNE 2018

MEDIA RELEASE

EMBARGOED UNTIL 11.00am WEDNESDAY 9 MAY 2018

SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL (6 – 17 JUNE) 2018 MEDIA INFORMATION

INFO/ TICKETS

sff.org.au/1300 733 733

KEY DATES

Wed 9 May

Sydney Film Festival 2018 Program Launch 11am
Full program outline at sff.org.au, 11am
SFF 2018 iPhone and Android Apps launch 11am
All tickets on sale and Flexipasses redeemable 11am
Single tickets on sale via sff.org.au, 1300 733 733, iPhone and Android Apps 11am

Fri 11 May

Tickets on sale at SFF Box Office 9am open, 11am on sale
Festival program guide inserted in the *Sydney Morning Herald*

Wed 6 June

Tickets on sale at venues, see program for Box Office hours
Opening Night Gala at State Theatre 7:30pm
After-party at Centennial Hall, Town Hall 10pm
Screenings in all Festival venues, talks, Q&As, Special Presentations at the State, Official Competition

Thurs 7 - Sunday 17 June

Festival Hub at Lower Town Hall open

Sun 17 June

Final day of screenings

Closing Night Gala and official awards ceremony at State Theatre 7.30pm

VENUES

49 Market St, Sydney
380 Military Rd, Cremorne
505-525 George St, Sydney
2 East Circular Quay, Sydney
261-263 King St, Newtown
483 George St Sydney
Art Gallery Rd, Sydney
Pitt Street Mall
1 Powerhouse Rd, Casula
45 St Pauls St, Randwick
206 Bent St, Moore Park

State Theatre
Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace Cremorne
Event Cinemas George Street
Dendy Opera Quays
Dendy Newtown
Festival Hub @ Town Hall
Art Gallery of NSW
SFFTV @ Pitt St
Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre
The Ritz Cinema
HOYTS Entertainment Quarter

MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Sydney Film Festival accreditation is exclusively reserved for media professionals. Festival accreditation is required to gain access to Sydney Film Festival screenings, advance screenings, the media centre, red-carpet events and other associated events.

MEDIA IMAGES

Full Sydney Film Festival media pack available [HERE](#)



MEDIA SCREENERS

Some SFF 2018 titles will be available for media to preview in advance of the Festival on request. A limited number of press screenings will also be scheduled in advance and during the Festival. Please forward any requests for access to media screeners and screenings to Cardinal Spin.

MEDIA MEETING POINT

SFF Media Meeting Point will open in the lobby of Parkroyal Darling Harbour, 150 Day Street, Sydney from 9am-6pm, 6-17 June. Parkroyal is located a short stroll from Town Hall Station and most SFF venues. For a map view, [click here](#).

TICKETING PROCEDURES

Flexipasses, Opening Night Gala and Closing Night Gala tickets are now on sale.

Single-session tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 9 May, 11am.

All tickets and passes can be bought and redeemed through the Festival website, sff.org.au, or over the phone on 1300 733 733.

Please Note:

- Media Tickets need to be requested via email before Wednesday 6 June. Once approved, media can have their tickets sent directly via email, where they can either be printed or, better yet, using the SFF 2018 app on iPhone and Android, be scanned at the door.
- Accredited media will be issued with single tickets only.
- Media tickets are issued on a first-come basis.
- Some limited sessions have a restricted media allocation and requests for tickets will need to be filed with the film distributor directly.
- Smaller venues have limited capacity and therefore have a limited number of media tickets.
- Opening and Closing Night Galas are invitation-only events.

SFF 2018 iPHONE AND ANDROID APP

Sydney Film Festival and Ferve Tickets have collaborated to bring you the official SFF 2018 iPhone, iPad and Android app, free to download now. The full 2018 program will go live on the app on Wednesday 9 May.

With this app you can:

- Buy tickets securely with your credit card
- Scan your phone at the door – no paper tickets required
- Watch film trailers
- Browse and search SFF's 2018 program
- Vote for your favourite films for the 2018 Audience Awards
- Sync up your films with iCal and share with friends
- Create a wishlist of must-see films
- Identify sessions that are selling fast and sold out
- Find your way to the screenings with venue maps
- Get the latest Festival news and gossip with one-touch access to SFF's Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and YouTube pages

(Please note: Allocated seating sessions at the State Theatre allow you to purchase the very best available seat, but you cannot see the location of the seat in the app.)

Left your printed tickets at home? If you buy tickets using the same SFF account details, you can retrieve all the barcodes on your App regardless of how you purchased (counter, web or phone). These barcodes can be scanned on your App for entry at the cinema door.

ACCESS AND INCLUSION

Sydney Film Festival welcomes all visitors to screenings and events and is committed to ensuring the program is accessible for all attendees. See the print program, visit sff.org.au/access, call 1300 733 733 or email tickets@sff.org.au for more information on the Screenability program, and for accessibility access to the Festival.



The full Sydney Film Festival 2018 program can be found online at sff.org.au.

Sydney Film Festival runs 6 – 17 June 2018.

Tickets for Sydney Film Festival 2018 are on sale now. Please call 1300 733 733 or visit sff.org.au for more information.

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***Sydney Film Festival Press Pack and Images Available [HERE](#)

EDITOR'S NOTES

ABOUT SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

From Wednesday 6 June to Sunday 17 June 2018, the 65th Sydney Film Festival offers Sydneysiders another exciting season of cinema amidst a whirlwind of premieres, red-carpet openings, in-depth discussions, international guests and more.

Sydney Film Festival also presents an Official Competition of 12 films that vie for the Sydney Film Prize, a highly respected honour that awards a \$60,000 cash prize based on the decision of a jury of international and Australian filmmakers and industry professionals. Previous Sydney Film Prize winners: *On Body and Soul* (2017); *Aquarius* (2016); *Arabian Nights* (2015); *Two Days, One Night* (2014); *Only God Forgives* (2013); *Alps* (2012); *A Separation* (2011); *Heartbeats* (2010); *Bronson* (2009); and *Hunger* (2008).

The Festival is a major event on the New South Wales cultural calendar and is one of the world's longest-running film festivals. For more information visit: sff.org.au.

The 65th Sydney Film Festival is supported by the NSW Government through Create NSW and Destination NSW, the Federal Government through Screen Australia and the City of Sydney. The Festival's Strategic Partner is the NSW Government via its tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW.