

SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

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**SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL JOINS MAJOR FILM FESTIVALS
ACROSS THE WORLD AND YOUTUBE FOR
WE ARE ONE: A GLOBAL FILM FESTIVAL**

Sydney Film Festival has joined 20 major film festivals from around the world led by Tribeca and including Cannes, Berlin, Venice, Toronto, Sundance and San Sebastian, together with YouTube, to present a free 10-day digital festival. The event will raise funds for the World Health Organization Covid-19 Solidarity Response Fund.

Sydney Film Festival Director Nashen Moodley said, “From May 29, SFF will be part of an unprecedented event: a global, digital and free film festival.

“The Festival is truly delighted to partner with these great festivals to celebrate our international community of storytellers and audiences.

“Sydney Film Festival looks forward to presenting Australian cinema in this global arena, and to bring joy and entertainment to audiences in need of relief.

“Over the past 67 years, SFF has been a platform for discovery, discussion, shared experiences and the exchange of ideas through film. In this challenging and uncertain climate, film is more vital than ever – bringing people together, online, to collectively explore the world and our times.

“Though we can’t be together in a cinema at the moment, we are excited to bring the Festival, and other international film festival selections, to homes around the world.”

We Are One: A Global Film Festival will run from May 29 to June 7 on [YouTube.com/WeAreOne](https://www.sff.org.au). Programming will be available for free, and will include films, shorts, documentaries, music, comedy, and conversations. Join SFF’s eNews for further updates: <https://www.sff.org.au>.

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ABOUT SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

Each year Sydney Film Festival offers Sydneysiders an 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: *Parasite* (2019); *The Heiresses* (2018); *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.

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