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INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DRAMA TO SCREEN AT CASULA



Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre May Sydney Film Festival screening announced!

The true story of the final months of British rule in India will be told at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre (CPAC) when Viceroy's House, a film by iconic British director Gurinder Chadha (Bend It Like Beckham) screens on Sunday 14 May at 11.00am, ahead of its national theatrical release (18 May).

Selected by Sydney Film Festival as part of the Festival's monthly Casula screenings, the film follows British India's transition to independence and stars Hugh Bonneville (Downton Abbey), Gillian Anderson (The X-Files, The Fall) and Michael Gambon (the Harry Potter franchise).

"Viceroy's House is an epic tale of the end of British rule in India, the story of the last Viceroy, Mountbatten, and his family, and of the people caught up in the turmoil of the time. The film is also a deeply personal one for the director, whose own family was affected by the tragic events that unfolded during the Partition," said Sydney Film Festival Director Nashen Moodley.

"Casula Powerhouse is looking forward to local audiences being among the first to see this historically significant film. To celebrate Mother's Day, CPAC's new Head Chef Federico Rekowski has planned a special menu at **Bellbird**. Guests can look forward to High Tea, with a glass of sparkling after the screening. Make sure to book as the screening is expected to be popular", said CPAC Acting **Director Craig Donarski.**

"We're very pleased that the partnership with Sydney Film Festival and CPAC continues to deliver high-quality cinema to the people of Liverpool. Not only are we delivering ground-breaking cinema to the local community, we are encouraging social cohesion and providing an opportunity for families and communities to come together over a common love of film," said Liverpool Mayor Wendy Waller.





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EDITOR'S NOTES

Fast Facts

What: Sydney Film Festival Monthly Screening

- Viceroy's House

Where: Casula Powerhouse, 1 Powerhouse Road, Casula NSW 2170 (don't forget, Casula

has its own train station!)

When: Screening begins at 11.00am on

Sunday 14 May, 2017

Film Prices: Adult \$17.50, Concession \$14.50, Under 16s \$11.50 with NO additional booking

fees.

Book: HERE

Food Prices: After screening High Tea, includes a glass of sparkling, \$35.00 per

person - served from 1.00pm

Updates: HERE



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Sydney Film Festival



Sydney Film Festival screens feature films, documentaries, short films and animation across Greater Sydney: at the State Theatre, Event Cinemas George Street, Dendy Opera Quays, Dendy Newtown, Skyline Drive-In Blacktown, Art Gallery of NSW, Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace Cremorne, Randwick Ritz, Casula Powerhouse, the Festival Hub at Sydney Town Hall and SFF Outdoor Screen in Pitt Street Mall. 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 www.sff.org.au

Casula Powerhouse

Located on the banks of the Georges River, the Casula Powerhouse is a multi-disciplinary arts centre. Showcasing six galleries and featuring a range of permanent and temporary exhibitions, the Casula Powerhouse is a premier art space in South West Sydney. Boasting a 321-seat theatre, Casula Powerhouse plays host to a range of theatre and cinematic productions each year.

Bellbird

Catering for every screening of the program will be the outstanding Cordon Bleu-trained Chef, Federico Rekowski: the new Head Chef at Bellbird. Raising the bar on what to expect from arts centre dining, the food will only become more interesting over time as his recently planted kitchen garden comes to fruition, supplying more and more of what guests will eat on-site, with most of the elements sourced from Sydney's Western Suburbs wherever possible.

Liverpool City Council

Located in South West Sydney, Liverpool City Council governs 42 suburbs with residents from a range of different cultures and ethnic backgrounds. The Council is dedicated to supporting the community by providing high levels of facilities and resources and to establish Liverpool as "the vibrant regional city of opportunity, prosperity and diversity."