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SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL'S GOURMET CINEMA EVENT

The 63rd Sydney Film Festival announces two special Gourmet Cinema evenings: Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 June.

Sydney Film Festival's Gourmet Cinema events offer exquisite dining at one of Sydney's finest restaurants, paired perfectly with a fine foodie film. Matched wines by Eden Road Wines and beers from 4 Pines will complement each dining experience. This ever-popular program, now in its fifth year, creates an entire evening's entertainment that will stimulate and satisfy all the senses.

Gourmet Cinema fans can follow celebrity chef René Redzepi as he shuts up his acclaimed Copenhagen restaurant Noma, ranked the best restaurant in the world four times over, and takes the team to Tokyo for a five-week pop-up, in ***Ants on Shrimp: Noma in Tokyo***.

In the quest for culinary perfection, the film is paired with a four-course meal at one of Sydney's highest-rated dining establishments, **The Bridge Room**. The Bridge Room was named 2016 'Restaurant of the Year', has three chef's hats and head chef Ross Lusted was awarded Chef of the Year 2014 in *Sydney Morning Herald's* Good Food Guide.

Communal seating at the Gourmet Cinema dinners encourages shared conversations and experiences of the film and food presented. Film-only options are also available.

Sydney Film Festival also offers a range of Dining Delights with restaurant partners. Dining Delights provide great savings on regular menu prices at a delicious diversity of venues within easy reach of Festival screening locations.

SFF 2016 Gourmet Cinema film:

- **ANTS ON A SHRIMP: NOMA IN TOKYO** Netherlands | 2016 | 88 mins | In English | Australian Premiere
Director, Screenwriter: Maurice Dekkers | Producer: Dan Blazer | Distributor: Madman Entertainment

Sydney Film Festival runs 8 – 19 June 2016.

Tickets for Sydney Film Festival 2016 are on sale now. Please call 1300 733 733 or visit sff.org.au for more information.

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ABOUT SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

From **Wednesday 8 June to Sunday 19 June 2016**, the 63rd 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. Each year the Festival's programming team curates 12 days of cinema sourced from world-famous film festivals, including Cannes, Sundance, Toronto and the Berlinale; as well as Australia's finest productions.

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 are: *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 takes place 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, Casula Powerhouse, the Festival Hub at Sydney Town Hall and SFF Outdoor Screen.

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.

The 63rd Sydney Film Festival is supported by the NSW Government through Screen NSW and Destination NSW, the Federal Government through Screen Australia and the City of Sydney. The Festival's Strategic Partner is the NSW Government through Destination NSW.

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