

MEDIA ALERT SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL 4-15 JUNE DIARY ALERT: KEY RED CARPET DATES

Wed 4 June (6pm for 6.15pm arrivals) State Theatre	SFF Opening Night Red Carpet– Australian Premiere of Nick Cave film 20,000 Days on Earth Attending: Iain Forsyth & Jane Pollard (directors).
Thurs 5 June (3.45pm for a 4pm start) Festival Hub	Festival Hub Launch featuring the opening of Los-Angeles based Australian Hugh Hamilton's photographic exhibition Rosebud and an exclusive collection of iconic American Eames furniture Attending: Hugh Hamilton , the grandson of Charles and Ray Eames, Eames Demetrious), filmmaker and son of retrospective focus Robert Altman, Michael Altman
Thurs 5 June (5.15pm for a 5.30pm start) Event Cinemas EV9 Red Carpet for Human Rights Watch film E-Team	
	Attending: Academy Award Winning director Ross Kauffman (Born into Brothels, 2005) and E-Team subject Dr. Anna Neistat
Fri 6 June (7.45pm for an 8pm carpet) Event Cinemas EV9	Red Carpet for World Premiere of Australian feature: Touch Attending: Christopher Houghton (director / screenwriter), Julie Byrne (producer), Leeana Walsman (actor), Matt Day (actor), Greg Hatton (actor), Onor Nottle (actor), Shane Connor (actor)
Fri 6 June (7.55pm for an 8.10pm carpet) State Theatre	Red Carpet for Australian Premiere Boyhood Attending: actor Ellar Coltrane (who was filmed over a 12 year period in the film) and producer Cathleen Sutherland . Ellar and Cathleen will also take part in an Apple Store talk on Saturday 7 June at 3pm
Sat 7 June (4.30pm for a 5.30pm carpet) State Theatre	Australian Premiere The Rover Attending: David Michod (director), Guy Pearce (actor), Robert Pattinson (actor) and Liz Watts (producer)

Sun 8 June (4pm for a 4.15pm carpet) Dendy Opera Quays...... World Premiere of Australian documentary: *The Redfern Story* Attending: Darlene Johnson (director / screenwriter / producer) and Sue Milliken (producer)

Mon 9 June (1.35pm for a 1.50pm carpet) Event Cinemas	Australian Premiere of DreamWorks Animations' How to Train Your Dragon 2.
	Attending: Cate Blanchett (the voice of the character Valka) will attend the Red Carpet and introduce the premiere
Tue 10 June (5.30pm for a 5.45pm carpet) State Theatre	Australian Premiere of Australian feature: Ruin
	Attending: Amiel Courtin-Wilson & Michael Cody (directors / screenwriters / producers), Sang Malen (actor), and Ros Mony (actor)
Wed 11 June (5.45pm for a 6pm carpet) Event Cinemas	Australian Premiere of documentary: <i>The Last Impresario</i>
	Attending: Gracie Otto (director / screenwriter) and Nicole O'Donohue (producer)
Wed 11 June (7.55pm for an 8.10pm carpet) State Theatre	Australian Premiere of <i>The Two Faces of January</i>
	Attending: Hossein Amini (director)
Thurs 12 June (5.30pm for a 5.45pm carpet) Event Cinemas EV9	World Premiere of Australian documentary: Black Panther Woman
Atter	nding: Rachel Perkins (director / screenwriter) and Marlene Cummins (screenwriter)
Fri 13 June (5.25 for a 5.40pm carpet) State Theatre	World Premier of Australian feature: <i>Fell</i> in Official Competition
	Attending: Kasimir Burgess (director), Matt Nable (actor), John Maynard and Mary Minas (producers)
	and Natasha Pincus (screenwriter).
Fri 13 June (6.15pm for a 6.30pm carpet) Event Cinemas EV4	Australian Premiere of <i>The Little Death</i>
	Josh Lawson (director / actor), Jamie Hilton, Michael Petroni, Matt Reeder (producers)
Fri 13 June (7.20pm for a 7.40pm carpet) Dendy Opera Quays	Australian Premiere of fashion film <i>Dior & I</i>
	Attending: Frederic Tcheng (director)
Sun 15 June (6.45pm for a 7pm carpet) State Theatre	SFF Closing Night – Australian Premiere of New Zealand vampire mockumentary What We Do in the
	Shadows Attending: Taika Waititi (director),

ABOUT SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

Sydney Film Festival screens feature films, documentaries, short films and animated films across the city at the State Theatre, Event Cinemas George Street, Dendy Opera Quays, the Art Gallery of NSW, Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace Cremorne, the Apple Store, SFFTV at Martin Place, Skyline Drive-In Blacktown, and the Festival Hub at Town Hall.

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

Sydney Film Festival also presents 12 films that vie for the Official Competition, a highly respected international 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 include: *Only God Forgives* (2013), *Alps* (2012), *A Separation* (2011) – which went on to win an Academy Award, *Heartbeats* (2010), *Bronson* (2009) and *Hunger* (2008).

The 61st Sydney Film Festival is supported by the NSW Government through Screen 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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