# MEDIA PACK

The following MEDIA PACK details

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

for the 2023 FESTIVAL

NO. 00066



## **OVERVIEW**

Over 69 years, Sydney Film Festival (SFF) has earned its reputation as a revered, cultural institution that finds and spotlights critical stories from Australia and around the world.

SFF takes risks, curating films that platform under-represented voices and tackle provocative and important topics. The audience relies on the Festival to deliver films that open eyes to new ideas and diverse perspectives. It pushes back against a trend towards mono-cultural onscreen representation and continues to build support for the Australian film industry.

Over 12 days each June, Sydney Film Festival showcases the best films from across Australia and the world, opening a dialogue between filmmakers and audiences with a program of talks and Q&As.

SFF is one of the largest and longest running Film Festivals in Australia, an iconic Sydney cultural event and an important player within the international film festival circuit.

The Festival is attended by large, high value audiences including local and international celebrities; film and entertainment industry; federal, state and local government; business leaders and the media.

Every year, SFF offers:

- 12 days of cinema, culture and glamour
- 100,000+ attendees
- 200+ films across 350+ sessions from over 60 countries
- Multiple world and Australian premieres

Sydney Film Festival 7 - 18 June 2023







From top to bottom: State Theatre audience; Still from The Final Quarter; Festival Director, Nashen Moodley, Sam Neill, SFF CEO Leigh Small, Bryan Brown, Gladys Berejiklian, Premier of NSW, Rachel Ward and Deanne Weir, SFF Chair.

# 2022 FESTIVAL SNAPSHOT

#### **FILMS**



206 films



**67** countries represented



**62**Australian productions



in-cinema attendances



**72** Events



**99** features



**37** documentaries



**394** sessions



**9** venues



40 shorts



**23** retrospective titles



**165+** filmmaker guests

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The 69th Sydney Film Festival returned to cinemas in its traditional June dates, once again hosting international filmmaker guests, in-person talks and parties in celebration of cinema.

Despite two dramatically disrupted years in film production and distribution, and a shorter turnaround between 2021 and 2022 Festivals; the breadth of this year's film program showcased the greatest, most daring and diverse work global cinema has to offer.

#### **2022 SFF OPENING NIGHT**

The 2022 Sydney Film Festival opened on June 8 with the World premiere of WE ARE STILL HERE - an unparalleled First Nations celebration, interweaving eight stories by ten directors from Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific. Conceived as a cinematic response to the 250th anniversary of James Cook's arrival in this region, the film is a poetic and powerful statement of resistance and survival.

SFF's Opening Night was attended by an invited audience including: NSW Arts Minister Benjamin Franklin, Lord Mayor of Sydney, Clover Moore, SFF Partners, Donors and 2022 filmmakers.

#### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

There were 37 documentaries screened, including 9 Australian finalists competing for the Documentary Australia Award for Australian Documentary.

Now in its 53rd year, the Dendy Awards for Australian short films welcomed a fourth award: the inaugural AFTRS Craft Award for demonstrated excellence by a craft practitioner in an Australian short film.

The Sustainable Future Award was awarded to DELIKADO, for its empowering depiction of grass roots climate change battles.

ACMI and NFSA partnered with SFF to present a retrospective of the American filmmaker Frederick Wiseman.

A powerful First Nations program was supported by Deutsche Bank and Screen Australia First Nations Department, and Screenability returned, celebrating the talent of filmmakers with disability.

Audiences and filmmakers gathered in more numbers than ever at the Festival Hub at Lower Town Hall for Talks, Panels and Themed Parties.



**FESTIVAL** 

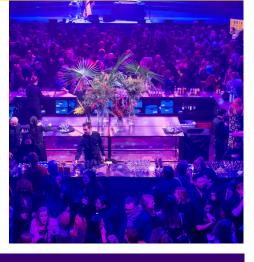
HIGHLIGHTS

Click here to watch the 2022 Festival Highlights Reel









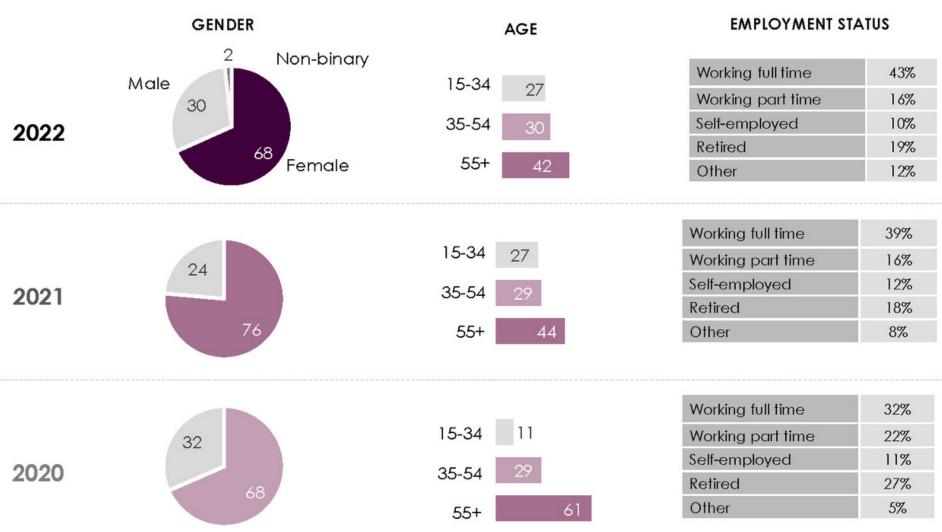
Clockwise from top: WE ARE STILL HERE cast and crew with Festival Director Nashen Moodley, Opening Night After-Party at Town Hall, Opening Night attendee getting popcorn, our lively 2022 audience excited to be back in cinema together again.

The Festival owns it's database and ticketing system of educated, affluent and influential past, current and future attendees, resulting in an in-depth understanding of its audience.

This insight is supported and enhanced by market research conducted annually.



# AUDIENCE PROFILE





Source: 2022 Sydney Film Festival Audience Survey conducted through SARA Market Research

#### **MEDIA COVERAGE**



# **Moodley**NASHEN

The Sydney Film Festival director on the glamour and delirium of global film-hunting. BY GARRY MADDOX

emembering dozena of complicated names is vero easy. So in front of 2000 people at princy's grandest theatre - having rushed id aly between Sydney Film Festival ssions - how do you make sure you troduce Thailand's Apichatpong cera sethakul correctly on stage? Or road's Ricber Mendonce Filbe? Or Jepan's roshi Okuyama? Festival director Nashen Moodley has a cret that he reveals over hunch just a

forget it."

As his dapper appearance and the fact he writes these names on a particular brand of eard that he buys in Tokyo indicate, Moodle is a precise person, which must be necessary when compiling an event that includes more than 250 films in nine venues over 12 days.

So he arrives precisely on time for lunch at Gowings Bar and Grill, where he often takes filmmakers for dinner between introducing their aessions at the State and



The Festival receives significant media coverage each year, with a concentration of exposure during the 6 week campaign period (April – June).

On average, the Festival generates over 4,200 media items:

- 300+ print pieces
- 80 TV pieces
- 200+ radio segments
- 3,500+ digital items

#### **ADVERTISING & OUT OF HOME**







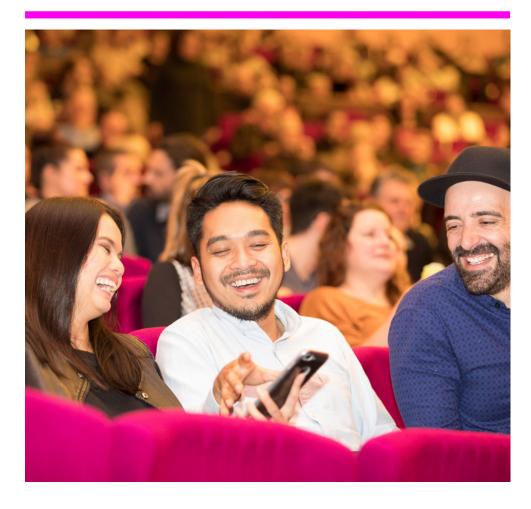


The Festival secures extensive advertising each year, with approximately:

- \$250,000 broadcast media achieved across TV and Radio
- Over 200 print and online advertisements with over 25 outlets
- 165+ City Flags across CBD locations over 3 weeks
- Taxi backs and taxi tops reaching 50,000 people over 5 weeks across Sydney

# MASS REACH

#### **DIGITAL**



#### **eNews**

73,755 subscribers (7.14% increase from 2021)

#### Social Media

73,951 Facebook followers

24.600 Instagram followers

48,000 Twitter followers

#### **POWER OF CINEMA**

Brands can reach the festival audience through highly valuable in-cinema advertising that provides a memorable impression on a captive, engaged and loyal demographic.

- Carefully crafted media campaigns can be brand-aligned alongside certain films, strands, cinemas and session times
- With minimal distractions, SFF's audience sees a maximum of 4 minutes of advertising per session, compared to 20 minutes in some commercial cinemas
- Commercial cinema advertising may screen to varied capacities as low as 10%, whereas SFF's average capacity is 70%

#### **BONUS ADVERTISING**

Each year SFFTV, a giant TV screen, is erected in the heart of the CBD to amplify partner messaging to shoppers and city workers. Past locations include Martin Place and Pitt Street Mall (pictured right) with an average foot traffic of 84K per day.

#### **CUSTOMISED CAMPAIGNS**

On screen advertisers can target audiences at the following venues:

- Art Gallery of NSW
- The State Theatre
- Dendy Newtown
- Event Cinemas George Street
- Hayden Orpheum Cremorne
- Palace Cinemas Central, Norton Street, Chauvel
- The Ritz Cinema Randwick
- Casula Powerhouse
- SFFTV Martin Place

On screen campaigns can also align with specific program strands. Visit the SFF website for a list of programs and genres.

## IN CINEMA ADVERTISING







Clockwise from the top: State Theatre, SFFTV at Martin Place, Hayden Orpheum Cremorne

IN CINEMA TVC ADVERTISING PACKAGES\*

**Blockbuster** 

**Arthouse** 

\$6,000 20 Sessions \$25,000

70 Sessions

**Indiewood** 

\$10,000

30 Sessions

\*Prices based on 30 second TVC

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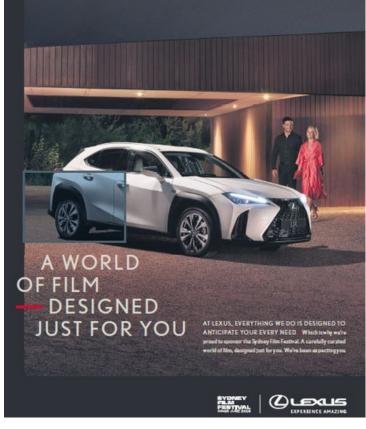
#### OFFICIAL PROGRAM GUIDE

SFF's Official Program Guide, affectionately known as "The Festival Bible", is one of the most popular mediums for film selection with 40% of the audience using it as their primary source for film info.

- Full-colour, 64-page film and information guide
- 40,000 copies distributed in a Friday edition of the Sydney Morning Herald
- Additional 30,000 copies distributed by the Festival
- Distribution commences Friday 13 May for 6 weeks
- Long shelf-life as memento and reference tool
- Interactive PDF version (enabled with links to sponsor and advertiser home pages)
- Permanently archived on sff.org.au with over 207,000 unique visitors every year
- Full, Half and Quarter Page placements available

## DISPLAY ADVERTISING











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#### RATES AND SPECIFICATIONS

FULL PAGE \$10,000 + GST

HALF PAGE \$7,000 + GST

QUARTER PAGE \$4,000 + GST

By comparison, the casual Sydney Morning Herald Saturday display advertising rates are:

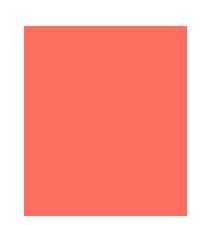
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 Full Page
 \$88,480 + GST
 Full Page
 \$38,462 + GST

 Half Page
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 Half Page
 \$19,231 + GST

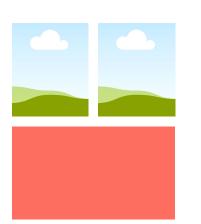
BOOKING DEADLINE
Wednesday 12 April 2023

MATERIAL DEADLINE
Wednesday 19 April 2023



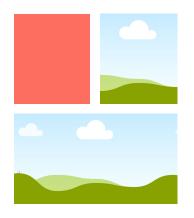
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#### HALF PAGE

152mm D x 243mm W



#### **QUARTER PAGE**

152mm D x 119mm W



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