



MEDIA INFORMATION

SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL, 4-15 JUNE 2014 MEDIA INFORMATION

INFO / TICKETS

sff.org.au / 1300 733 733

KEY DATES

Wed 7 May

Sydney Film Festival 2014 Program Launch 10am

Full program online at sff.org.au 11am

SFF 2014 iPhone and Android Apps launch 11am

All tickets on sale and Flexipasses redeemable 11am

Single tickets on sale via sff.org.au, 1300 733 733, iPhone and Android Apps 11am

Thurs 8 May

Tickets on sale at SFF Box Office 9am

Fri 9 May

Festival program guide inserted in the *Sydney Morning Herald*

Tue 3 June

Tickets on sale at Event Cinema's George Street Box Office 10am

Wed 4 June

Opening Night Gala at State Theatre 7:30pm

After-party at Bungalow 8 10pm

Thurs 5 – Sun 15 June

Festival Hub at Lower Town Hall opens

Screenings in all venues, talks, Q&As, Special Presentations at the State, Official Competition

Mon 9 June

Special Public Holiday Monday screening: Family film at Events Cinema

Fri 13 June

Special Event Screening: Texas Chain Saw Massacre at Skyline Drive-In Blacktown

Sun 15 June

Final day of screenings

Closing Night and official awards ceremony at State Theatre 8pm

VENUES

49 Market St, Sydney

State Theatre

380 Military Road, Cremorne

Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace Cremorne

505-525 George St, Sydney

Event Cinemas George Street

2 East Circular Quay, Sydney

Dendy Opera Quays

483 George Street Sydney

Festival Hub at Town Hall

Art Gallery Rd, Sydney

Art Gallery of NSW

Cricketers Arms Road, Blacktown

Skyline Drive-In Blacktown

Between Pitt & Castlereagh Sts

Festival TV @ Martin Place

367 George Street, Sydney

Apple Store

MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Sydney Film Festival accreditation is exclusively reserved for media professionals. Festival accreditation is required to gain access to Sydney Film Festival screenings, advance screenings, the media centre, red-carpet events and other associated events.

The accreditation application deadline is **5pm Friday 16 May 2014**. Any accreditation requests received after this date will be subject to restrictions.

Application forms can be downloaded online at sff.org.au/media and returned to Sydney Film Festival via email or post – contact details below. Accredited media will be contacted once their application has been lodged and will be processed in order of application.

MEDIA IMAGES

Film stills from titles screening in SFF 2014 are available via image.net. Media need to register with Image Net to access images and search for Sydney Film Festival 2014. Registration is free.

MEDIA SCREENERS

Some SFF 2014 titles will be available for media to preview in advance of the Festival on request. A limited number of press screenings will also be scheduled in advance and during the Festival. Please forward any requests for access to media screeners and screenings to Cardinal Spin (see end of release).

MEDIA CENTRE

Details on the location and operations of the 2014 Media Centre will be advised closer to the Festival.

TICKETING PROCEDURES

Flexipasses, Opening and Closing Night tickets are now on sale.

Single-session tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 7 May, from 11am.

All tickets and passes can be bought and redeemed through the Festival website sff.org.au or over the phone on 1300 733 733.

Please Note:

- Media Tickets need to be requested via email before 4 June. Once approved, media can have their tickets sent directly via email, where they can either be printed or better yet, using the SFF 2014 app on iPhone and Android, be scanned at the door. It is also possible to collect media tickets from the Media Centre at The Festival Hub during opening hours (see above).
- Accredited media will be issued with single tickets only
- Media tickets are issued on a first-come basis
- Some limited sessions have a restricted media allocation and requests for tickets will need to be filed with the film distributor directly.
- Smaller venues have limited capacity and therefore have a limited number of media tickets
- Opening Night and Closing Night Galas are invitation-only events

SFF 2014 IPHONE APP

Sydney Film Festival and Ferve Tickets have collaborated to bring you the official SFF 2014 iPhone and Android app, free to download now. The full 2014 program will go live on the app on Wednesday 7 May.

With this app you can:

- Buy tickets securely with your credit card
- Scan your phone at the door – no paper tickets required
- Watch film trailers
- Browse and search SFF's 2014 program and 'What's On' at the Festival daily
- Vote for your favourite films for the 2014 Audience Awards
- Shake the App and get suggestions on what is on close to you
- Sync up your films with iCal and share with friends
- Create a wish list of must-see films
- Identify sessions that are selling fast or sold out
- Find your way to the screenings with venue maps

- Keep up-to-date with SFF's Official Competition and guest announcements
- Get the latest Festival news and gossip with one-touch access to SFF's Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and YouTube pages

(Please note: Allocated seating sessions allow you to purchase the very best available seat, but you cannot see the location of the seat in the app.)

Left your printed tickets at home? If you buy tickets using the same SFF account details, you can retrieve all the barcodes on your Android regardless of how you purchased (counter, web or phone). These barcodes can be scanned on your Android for entry at the cinema door.

SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL HUB AT TOWN HALL

Experience the Festival as an insider at the Sydney Film Festival Hub. The popular pop-up bar and performance space once again takes over Town Hall with FREE exhibitions, talks, DJs, comedy, burlesque, performances, parties, live music and screenings and the TITLE pop-up bookstore.

Located opposite the QVB at the heart of the Festival district, the Hub is a hive of activity and a great location to meet up for drinks or a snack before or after a screening. The Hub Ticketing Lounge is also the only place to purchase \$10 SFF tickets (with no booking fee!) to selected screenings.

The Hub is open daily 5 – 15 June | Saturday, Sunday, Monday: noon – midnight | Tuesday – Friday: 5pm – midnight. All events are open to over-18s and FREE unless otherwise indicated.

SFF 2014 TALKS

The Apple Store Sydney and Festival Hub at Town Hall will host a series of free talks and events as part of the Sydney Film Festival 2014. Please see sff.org.au for up-to-date info.

GETTING THERE

Check out sff.org.au for special SFF parking rates and the nearest parking locations.

The 61st Sydney Film Festival runs 4-15 June and brings a packed program of screenings and special events to even more venues across Sydney. For tickets and full up-to-date program information visit sff.org.au

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.

What: Sydney Film Festival

When: 4-15 June, 2014

Tickets & Info: 1300 733 733 sff.org.au

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