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Promoting French cinema worldwide

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FILMS AT
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UniFrance films is a non-profit organization based in Paris with representatives in Beijing, Mumbai, New York and Tokyo, and whose aim is to promote French cinema worldwide. This association accompanies French films on the international marketplace, from their sale all the way through to their distribution, and on the international film festival circuit. UniFrance films follows three fundamental objectives: action with regard to buyers, media, and the public.

Organizing the world's biggest dedicated French cinema market in Paris every year, the Rendez-vous with French Cinema; attending the most important international markets (Cannes, Berlin, Toronto, Los Angeles, Hong Kong), and supporting international distributors for theatrical releases of French films.

Increasing awareness of French cinema with international media (organizing international press junkets with French talent); **international exhibitors** (conventions in 12 countries); and **film buyers for online and VOD**.

Organizing French film festivals in strategic countries (including USA, Germany, Italy, UK, Russia, Japan, China) and on the internet worldwide (MyFrenchFilmFestival.com); providing active support for French films at 80 international festivals (including Cannes, Berlin, Toronto, Locarno, San Sebastian, Busan, etc.).

Organizing master classes with French talent in film schools and international universities in ten countries.

Promoting and subtitling French short films for film festivals, markets and festivals online.

UNIFRANCE FILMS IN BRIEF:

- 950 film industry members
- 10 French film festivals organized throughout the world
- 80 international film festivals supported worldwide
- First French online film festival: myfrenchfilmfestival.com
- 4 overseas representatives: Beijing, Mumbai, New York, Tokyo

FRENCH CINEMA IN BRIEF:

- The third biggest film industry worldwide
- The second world exporter
- 3 Palme d'or winners and 5 Oscar winners in the last 5 years
- 47 million tickets sold outside France in 2013
- 280 million euros in international box-office receipts in 2013
- 500 French film releases each year worldwide

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TIFF HIGHLIGHTS

Modernity, originality and diversity

French cinema will most certainly send a good vibe to the world from Toronto this year, with a particularly rich and strong slate of films including 36 features and 5 shorts. This selection will provide a glimpse of the incredible diversity of French cinema, ranging from audience-driven genre films to high-profile independent works, powerful documentaries and quirky discoveries.

This program stands out as proof that contemporary French cinema is, more than ever, a genuine modern melting pot that is open to the world with an amazing capacity to combine cultural and multi-ethnic influences. Its ability to bring together international talents and reach out to global locations reminds us that France is still a vibrant creative hub for both independent and mainstream cinema on the world stage. According to a survey carried out in May of this year, 74% of worldwide

"French cinema continues to be one of the dominant voices in the world of international cinema as their filmmakers are unafraid to deal with a wide variety of subjects in a manner that is both provocative and entertaining. We are honoured to introduce such a strong lineup of French films to the audience, media and industry that gathers in Toronto every September. The long love affair between our festival and French cinema deepens every year."

Piers Handling (TIFF CEO and director) & Cameron Bailey (TIFF artistic director)

cinema audiences said they appreciate French cinema output, and this proportion is even higher in North America (81%).

Rising talents and acclaimed artists

UniFrance films is also proud to introduce a major delegation of renowned artists and a pool of new talent at TIFF this year. Juliette Binoche will be there to meet the Canadian audience during an exceptional masterclass and to present *Clouds of Sils Maria*, together with director Olivier Assayas. Omar Sy, Charlotte Gainsbourg and Tahar Rahim will introduce the world premiere of *Samba*, the highly anticipated new movie by Eric Toledano and Olivier Nakache (the directors of *The Intouchables*). Romain Duris and Anaïs Demoustier will attend a gala screening of *The New Girlfriend*, the latest love intrigue by François Ozon. And Jean Dujardin, Gilles Lellouche and Cédric Jimenez will present an ambitious historical thriller set in Marseille in the 1970's, *La French*.

Numerous French directors, actors, producers and sales agents will be gathered for this key North American industry event, and we are grateful for their endless energy in promoting their films.

UniFrance films stands as a stalwart supporter of this wide diversity and passion that makes French cinema so unique.

Jean-Paul Salomé (President UniFrance films) & Isabelle Giordano (Executive Director UniFrance films)



Attendees in Toronto

Olivier Assayas⁽¹⁾, Bérénice Béjo⁽²⁾, Juliette Binoche⁽³⁾, Laurent Cantet⁽⁴⁾, Anaïs Demoustier⁽⁵⁾, Jean Dujardin⁽⁶⁾, Romain Duris⁽⁷⁾, Pascale Ferran⁽⁸⁾, Anne Fontaine⁽⁹⁾, Charlotte Gainsbourg⁽¹⁰⁾, Mia Hansen-Løve⁽¹¹⁾, Michel Hazanavicius⁽¹²⁾, Reda Kateb⁽¹³⁾, Gilles Lellouche⁽¹⁴⁾, Tahar Rahim⁽¹⁵⁾, Omar Sy⁽¹⁶⁾, Éric Toledano & Olivier Nakache⁽¹⁷⁾...



PUBLIC VENUES

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- V2 TIFF BELL LIGHTBOX**
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- V3 VISA SCREENING ROOM, ELGIN THEATRE**
189 Yonge Street
- V4 THE BLOOR HOT DOCS CINEMA**
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- V5 RYERSON THEATRE**
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- V6 JACKMAN HALL, ART GALLERY OF ONTARIO**
317 Dundas Street West
- V7 ISABEL BADER THEATRE**
93 Charles Street West
- V8 ROY THOMSON HALL**
60 Simcoe Street
- V9 THE WINTER GARDEN THEATRE**
189 Yonge Street
- V10 PRINCESS OF WALES**
300 King Street West



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

3 Hearts (3 Cœurs)

Director: Benoît Jacquot

Cast: Benoît Poelvoorde, Charlotte Gainsbourg, Chiara Mastroianni, Catherine Deneuve...

Length: 106 min

International Sales: Elle Driver

US distributor: Cohen Media Group

Canadian distributor: Mongrel Media/Métropole Films Distribution

One night in a French provincial city, Marc meets Sylvie. They wander the streets until morning and set a date to meet in Paris a few days later. When Marc doesn't show up on time a twist of fate leaves him romantically torn between two sisters.

09/07 2:00PM (V1/P&I), 09/09 1:15PM (V1/P&I),
09/09 9:00PM (V7/PS), 09/13 3:00PM (V7/PS)



CONTEMPORARY WORLD CINEMA

Bird People

Director: Pascale Ferran

Cast: Josh Charles, Anaïs Demoustier, Roschdy Zem...

Length: 128 min

International Sales: Films Distribution

US distributor: IFC

Canadian distributor: FunFilm Distribution

In the Paris airport zone, two strangers are trying to make sense out of their lives: an American engineer under great professional and emotional pressure who decides to radically change the course of his existence, and a young hotel chambermaid who goes through a life-altering supernatural experience.

09/04 9:45AM (V1/P&I), 09/05 5:45PM (V1/PS),
09/07 8:30PM (V1/PS), 09/13 8:30PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Pascale Ferran
and Anaïs Demoustier



CONTEMPORARY WORLD CINEMA

Breathe (Respire)

Director: Mélanie Laurent
 Cast: Joséphine Japy, Lou de Laâge, Isabelle Carré...
 Length: 91 min
 International Sales: Gaumont
 Canadian distributor: Axia Films

Charlie is a young 17 year-old girl, tortured by doubt, disillusionment and solitude. Then Sarah arrives, beautiful and self-confident. Sarah chooses Charlie. Charlie is thrilled, she feels fulfilled and passionate. She finally feels alive, intense and resolute... and there is no going back. Sarah tires of her once she has had her. She soon looks elsewhere, for another friend, for other prey. She leaves Charlie feeling lost, wounded, and devastated. For her, losing Sarah is unthinkable.

09/04 12:30PM (V1/P&I). 09/09 6:30PM (V1/PS).
 09/11 11:45AM (V2/PS). 09/13 9:15AM (V1/PS)



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Clouds of Sils Maria (Sils Maria)

Director: Olivier Assayas
 Cast: Juliette Binoche, Kristen Stewart, Chloë Grace Moretz...
 Length: 123 min
 International Sales: MK2
 US distributor: IFC Films
 Canadian distributor: Mongrel Media/Métropole Films Distribution

At the peak of her international career, Maria Enders is asked to perform in a revival of the play that made her famous twenty years ago. But this time a young Hollywood starlet is to take on the role of Sigrid, and Maria finds herself facing an unsettling reflection of herself.

09/04 5:15PM (V1/P&I). 09/04 9:45PM (V10/PS).
 09/05 9:30AM (V2/PS)

In the presence of Olivier Assayas
 and Juliette Binoche



CONTEMPORARY WORLD CINEMA

Don't Breathe (La Faille)

Director: Nino Kirtadze
 Cast: Levan Murtazashvili, Irma Inaridze...
 Length: 86 min
 International Sales: Deckert

This dark comedy set in Tbilisi, Georgia follows the tribulations of middle-aged Levan when he's suddenly led to question his existence because of a routine medical exam, sending him into a downward spiral of paranoia and doubt as he fumbles his way through this theater of the absurd that we call life.

09/05 8:30AM (V1/P&I). 09/06 7:15PM (V2/PS).
 09/08 11:45AM (V6/PS). 09/10 12:00PM (V1/P&I).
 09/13 12:15PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Nino Kirtadze



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Eden

Director: Mia Hansen-Løve
 Cast: Félix de Givry, Pauline Etienne, Vincent Macaigne...
 Length: 131 min
 International Sales: Kinology
 Canadian distributor: FunFilm Distribution

In the 90's, French electronic music is developing at a fast pace. In the exciting Paris nightlife, Paul is taking his first steps as a DJ. With his best friend he creates a duo called "Cheers", and they rapidly find their audience. They are quickly caught up in a euphoric and short-lived rise to fame and Paul, blinded by his passion, overlooks his own life.

09/05 3:15PM (V1/P&I). 09/05 5:45PM (V5/PS).
 09/06 12:15PM (V4/PS). 09/08 6:30PM (V1/P&I).
 09/12 7:15PM (V1/P&I). 09/14 9:30PM (V2/PS)

In the presence of Mia Hansen-Løve
 and Félix de Givry



GALA

Escobar: Paradise Lost

Director: Andrea di Stefano
 Cast: Benicio Del Toro, Josh Hutcherson, Carlos Bardem...
 Length: 120 min
 International Sales: Pathé International

Young surfer Nick thinks all his dreams have come true when he goes to visit his brother in Columbia. Against an idyllic backdrop he falls madly in love with a beautiful Colombian girl. It all seems perfect until he meets her uncle, one Pablo Escobar.

09/06 11:00AM (V1/P&I). 09/08 4:15PM (V1/P&I).
 09/11 9:30PM (V8/PS). 09/12 11:30AM (V3/PS).
 09/13 4:00PM (V1/PS)



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Far From Men (Loin des hommes)

Director: David Oelhoffen
 Cast: Viggo Mortensen, Reda Kateb...
 Length: 101 min
 International Sales: Pathé International

In this gritty tale of survival adapted from a short story by Albert Camus, a reclusive teacher (Viggo Mortensen) helps a villager accused of murder (Reda Kateb, *A Prophet*) escape into the mountains during the Algerian War.

09/05 8:45AM (V1/P&I). 09/09 5:00PM (V9/PS).
 09/10 9:00AM (V2/PS). 09/10 9:15AM (V1/P&I).
 09/13 3:00PM (V5/PS)

In the presence of David Oelhoffen,
 Viggo Mortensen and Reda Kateb



Gemma Boveri

Director: Anne Fontaine
 Cast: Gemma Arterton, Fabrice Luchini, Jason Flemyng...
 Length: 99 min
 International Sales: Gaumont
 Canadian distributor: Mongrel Media/Métropole
 Films Distribution

Martin is an ex-Parisian, more or less willingly transformed into the baker in a Norman village. All that remains of his youthful ambitions is a lively imagination and just as lively a passion for great literature, Gustave Flaubert in particular. We can sense his excitement when an English couple with bizarrely familiar names moves into a small farm nearby. Not only are the names of the new arrivals Gemma and Charles Boveri, but their behaviour also seems to be inspired by Flaubert's heroes.

09/05 10:00AM (V1/P&I), 09/06 1:45PM (V9/PS),
 09/07 4:15PM (V1/PS), 09/09 7:15PM (V1/P&I)

In the presence of Anne Fontaine
 and Gemma Arterton



Gett, the Trial of Viviane Amsalem (Gett, le procès de Viviane Amsalem)

Directors: Ronit Elkabetz & Shlomi Elkabetz
 Cast: Ronit Elkabetz, Simon Abkarian, Menashe Noy...
 Length: 115 min
 International Sales: Films Distribution
 US distributor : Music Box

The trial story of Viviane's five year fight to obtain her divorce in front of the only legal authority competent for divorce cases in Israel, the Rabbinical Court. Viviane faces the uncompromising attitude of her husband, who refuses the divorce (Gett) even though they've been separated for years.

09/04 12:00PM (V1/P&I), 09/08 9:00PM (V1/PS),
 09/09 3:45PM (V2/PS), 09/13 9:00PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Ronit Elkabetz
 and Shlomi Elkabetz



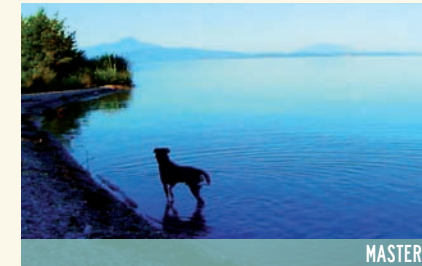
Girlhood (Bande de filles)

Director: Céline Sciamma
 Cast: Karidja Touré, Assa Sylla, Lindsay Karamoh,
 Marietou Touré...
 Length: 112 min
 International Sales: Films Distribution
 US distributor: Strand Releasing

Oppressed by her family setting, dead-end school prospects and the boys law in the neighborhood, Marieme starts a new life after meeting a group of 3 free-spirited girls. She changes her name, her dress code, and quits school to be accepted in the gang, hoping that this will be a way to freedom.

09/04 6:00PM (V1/P&I), 09/09 8:45PM (V1/PS),
 09/11 9:00AM (V2/PS), 09/14 9:30PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Karidja Touré



Goodbye to Language 3D (Adieu au langage)

Director: Jean-Luc Godard
 Cast: Héloïse Godet, Zoé Bruneau, Kamel Abdelli...
 Length: 70 min
 International Sales: Wild Bunch
 US distributor: Kino Lorber

The idea is simple: A married woman and a single man meet. They love, they argue, fists fly. A dog strays between town and country. The seasons pass. The man and woman meet again. The dog finds itself between them. The other is in one, the one is in the other and they are three. The former husband shatters everything. A second film begins: the same as the first, and yet not. From the human race we pass to metaphor. This ends in barking and a baby's cries.

09/05 3:15PM (V1/P&I), 09/10 6:00PM (V5/PS),
 09/12 9:00AM (V2/PS), 09/14 9:15PM (V2/PS)



High Society (Le Beau Monde)

Director: Julie Lopes Curval
 Cast: Ana Girardot, Bastien Bouillon, Baptiste Lecaplain...
 Length: 95 min
 International Sales: Pyramide International

Alice, 20, lives in Normandy. She works wool, she invents, designs handmade clothes. She wonders what to do with her innate talent, until she meets Agnes, a rich Parisian lady who helps her reach a prestigious school of Applied Arts. Alice leaves everything behind to start a new life alone in Paris. There, she meets Antoine, the son of Agnes, and they soon fall passionately in love. Antoine finds in Alice a sincerity and a simplicity that free him from the "bourgeois" environment he rejects, while Alice enters a fascinating world: "the high society".

09/05 4:30PM (V1/P&I), 09/06 9:45PM (V1/PS),
 09/08 6:30PM (V1/PS), 09/14 3:30PM (V7/PS)

In the presence of Julie Lopes Curval



Journey to the West (Voyage en occident)

Director: Tsai Ming Liang
 Cast: Lee Kang Sheng, Denis Lavant...
 Length: 56 min
 International Sales: UDI

In a new edition of the ancient Buddhist ritual journeys, Xuanzang, the 7th century monk celebrated for his rigor and his 17 year quest for vacuity on the roads of Asia, wanders through the streets of Marseille.

09/12 7:15PM (V2/PS)



GALA

La French (US title: The Connection)

Director: Cédric Jimenez
 Cast: Jean Dujardin, Gilles Lellouche, Benoît Magimel...
 Length: 135 min
 International Sales: Gaumont
 Canadian distributor: Les Films Séville
 US distributor: Drafthouse Films

Marseille. 1975. Pierre Michel, a young magistrate, has just been transferred to help in the crack-down on organized crime. He decides to take on French Connection, a Mafia-run operation that exports heroin the world over. Paying heed to no one's warnings, he leads a one-man campaign against Mafia kingpin Gaëtan Zampa, the most untouchable godfather of them all. But Pierre Michel will soon understand that to get results, he will have to change his methods.

09/10 12:00PM (V1/P&I), 09/12 6:30PM (V8/PS),
 09/13 9:00AM (V4/PS)

In the presence of Cédric Jimenez,
 Jean Dujardin and Gilles Lellouche



WAVELENGTHS

La Sapienza (La Sapience)

Director: Eugène Green
 Cast: Fabrizio Rongione, Christelle Prot Landmann...
 Length: 107 min
 International Sales: MACT Productions

Despite a brilliant international career, Alexandre Schmid, an architect of Swiss origin, is beginning to have doubts about the validity of his work and the couple which he forms with his wife. Having always intended to write a text about Borromini, for whom he professes a profound admiration, Alexandre decides to make a journey to Bissone, the great baroque architect's native village in the canton of Ticino, Switzerland, and then to Rome, where all his work is to be found.

09/08 12:00PM (V1/P&I), 09/11 9:45PM (V2/PS),
 09/12 3:30PM (V6/PS), 09/14 2:15PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Eugène Green



WAVELENGTHS

Letters to Max

Director: Éric Baudelaire
 Cast: Maxim Gvinjia
 Length: 103 min
 International Sales: Poulet-Malassis

A record of the epistolary encounter between French artist and filmmaker Éric Baudelaire and Maxim Gvinjia, former Foreign Minister of the breakaway Caucasian state of Abkhazia, Letters to Max is both a chronicle of a developing friendship and an ingenious, unusual essay film about the inherently speculative nature of nationhood.

09/06 4:45PM (V1/P&I), 09/12 9:00PM (V2/PS),
 09/13 9:00AM (V6/PS)

In the presence of Éric Baudelaire



CONTEMPORARY WORLD CINEMA

Li'l Quinquin (P'tit Quinquin)

Director: Bruno Dumont
 Cast: Alane Delhaye, Lucy Caron, Bernard Pruvost...
 Length: 200 min
 Cinema version Scope
 International Sales: NDM
 US distributor: Kino Lorber
 Quebec distributor: FunFilm Distribution

An improbable, screwball and slapstick police investigation focusing on bizarre crimes on the outskirts of a small town in the north of France that has fallen prey to evil, and to a band of young scoundrels led by Li'l Quinquin and his beloved Eve.

09/04 11:00AM (V1/P&I), 09/10 2:00PM (V2/PS),
 09/11 11:30AM (V2/PS), 09/14 9:00AM (V2/PS)



DISCOVERY

May Allah Bless France! (Qu'Allah bénisse la France !)

Director: Abd Al Malik
 Cast: Marc Zinga, Sabrina Ouazani, Larouci Didi...
 Length: 96 min
 International Sales: Films Distribution

Adapted from Abd Al Malik's autobiographical book, MAY ALLAH BLESS FRANCE! describes the personal journey taken by Régis, a particularly gifted 1st generation black child who was raised by his single Catholic mother with his two brothers in a low-income housing complex in Strasbourg, France. From delinquency to rap and Islam, Régis will discover love and find his true life calling.

09/05 7:30PM (V1/P&I), 09/06 10:15PM (V2/PS),
 09/08 4:15PM (V4/PS), 09/09 7:00PM (V1/P&I),
 09/12 9:15PM (V1/P&I), 09/13 9:15PM (V2/PS)

In the presence of Abd Al Malik



MASTERS

Murder in Pacot (Meurtre à Pacot)

Director: Raoul Peck
 Cast: Alex Descas, Ayo, Thibault Vinçon...
 Length: 130 min
 International Sales: Doc & Film International

After the terrible January 2010 earthquake in Port-au-Prince, an intellectual bourgeois couple struggles to reinvent a life amid the rubbles of their luxurious home. Needing money to survive, the couple decides to rent the remaining habitable part of the villa to "Alex", a high-level foreign relief worker.

09/05 11:45AM (V1/P&I), 09/05 6:00PM (V7/PS),
 09/07 10:45AM (V2/PS), 09/10 1:30PM (V1/P&I),
 09/14 9:30AM (V2/PS)

In the presence of Raoul Peck, Ayo
 and Alex Descas



TIFF DOCS

National Diploma (Examen d'État)

Director: Dieudo Hamadi
Length: 92 min
International Sales: Agat Films & Cie

National Diploma follows a group of young Congolese high school students who are about to sit the exam for their National Diploma, in Kisangani, Democratic Republic of Congo. Dieudo Hamadi's camera films them as they prepare for the exam, from the benches of the school that they are regularly ejected from because they haven't paid the "teachers' fees" to the "maquis" (a communal house) where they gather to revise and the chaotic streets of the city where they spend their time "looking for a living".

09/05 2:30PM (V1/P&I). 09/11 8:30PM (V2/PS).
09/12 9:00AM (V6/PS). 09/14 3:15PM (V4/PS)

In the presence of Dieudo Hamadi



TIFF DOCS

National Gallery

Director: Frederick Wiseman
Length: 174 min
International Sales: Doc & Film International

National Gallery takes the audience behind the scenes of a London institution, on a journey to the heart of a museum inhabited by masterpieces of Western art from the Middle Ages to the 19th century. *National Gallery* is the portrait of a place, its way of working and relations with the world, its staff and public, and its paintings. In a perpetual and dizzying game of mirrors, film watches painting watches film.

09/04 12:30PM (V1/P&I). 09/06 12:15PM (V2/PS).
09/07 12:15PM (V6/PS). 09/12 11:30AM (V6/PS)

In the presence of Frederick Wiseman



TIFF DOCS

Natural Resistance (Résistance naturelle)

Director: Jonathan Nossiter
Length: 85 min

Four Italian winegrowers live a life we all dream of: from a Tuscan couple's 11th century monastery-winery to a radical piemontese farmer-poet. But these protagonists of an international natural wine revolution have to struggle fiercely for their ecologically and culturally progressive dream. With the help of a magical film curator, they use the power of fiction films to fight "the system" and stir the hidden rebel inside all of us.

09/06 11:15AM (V1/P&I). 09/08 7:00PM (V2/PS).
09/09 7:00PM (V6/PS). 09/11 5:45PM (V4/PS)



CONTEMPORARY WORLD CINEMA

Not My Type (Pas son genre)

Director: Lucas Belvaux
Cast: Emilie Dequenne, Loïc Corbery...
Length: 111 min
International Sales: Films Distribution
Canadian distributor: Axia Films

Clément, a young Parisian philosophy professor is transferred to Arras for a year. Far from Paris and its nightlife, he doesn't quite know what to do with his free time. Then he meets Jennifer, a pretty hairdresser who becomes his lover. While Clément's life revolves around Kant and Proust, Jennifer's is punctuated with chick lit, tabloids and karaoke evenings with her girlfriends. Free love and free hearts, they could live a beautiful romance together, but is it enough to bridge the gaping social and cultural divide between them?

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09/12 9:15PM (V2/PS). 09/13 9:30AM (V1/PS)



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Pasolini

Director: Abel Ferrara
Cast: Willem Dafoe, Ninetto Davoli, Riccardo Scamarcio...
Length: 87 min
International Sales: Funny Balloons

One day, one life. Rome, the night of November 2nd 1975, the great Italian poet and filmmaker Pier Paolo Pasolini is murdered. Pasolini is the symbol of an art that's fighting against the power. His writings are scandalous, his films are persecuted by the censors, many people love him and many hate him. The day of his death, Pasolini spends his last hours with his beloved mother and later on with his dearest friends, and finally goes out into the night in search of adventure in the eternal city.

09/07 1:15PM (V1/P&I). 09/08 9:00PM (V2/PS).
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09/12 4:45PM (V2/PS)



CONTEMPORARY WORLD CINEMA

Red Rose

Director: Sepideh Farsi
Cast: Mina Kavani, Vassilis Koukalani, Shabnam Tolouei...
Length: 87 min
International Sales: UDI

Tehran. June 2009. The uproar of a city that is swinging with the « Green wave » of contest to the rigged presidential election. An apartment as a shelter. A man and a woman who belong to two different generations. A mobile phone and a computer to communicate with the free world. A love story, that will change two lives.

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09/12 12:00PM (V1/P&I). 09/13 8:45PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Sepideh Farsi



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Return to Ithaca (Retour à Ithaque)

Director: Laurent Cantet
 Cast: Jorge Perugorria, Pedro Julio Díaz Ferrán,
 Isabel Santos, Fernando Hechavarría, Nestor Jimenez...
 Length: 96 min
 International Sales: Funny Balloons

A terrace overlooking Havana, the sunset. Five friends gather to celebrate the return of Amadeo after 16 years of exile. From dusk to dawn, they reminisce about their youth, the group they used to form, the faith they had in the future... but also their disillusionment.

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 09/08 4:30PM (V1/PS). 09/11 6:45PM (V1/P&I).
 09/14 6:00PM (V7/PS)

In the presence of Laurent Cantet



DISCOVERY

Run

Director: Philippe Lacôte
 Cast: Isaach de Bankolé, Abdoul Karim Konaté,
 Rasmane Ouedraogo...
 Length: 102 min
 International Sales: Bac Films

RUN is running away... After having just killed his country's Prime Minister his life returns to him in flashes: his childhood with master Tourou, when he dreamt of becoming a rainmaker, his incredible adventures with Greedy Gladys and his militia past as a Young Patriot in Ivory Coast's political and military conflict. RUN has not chosen all of these lives. He stumbled into them, escaping from one life to another. This is why he is called RUN.

09/04 5:15PM (V1/P&I). 09/08 9:30PM (V1/PS).
 09/10 9:00AM (V2/PS). 09/13 6:15PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Philippe Lacôte



GALA

Samba

Directors: Eric Toledano & Olivier Nakache
 Cast: Omar Sy, Charlotte Gainsbourg, Tahar Rahim...
 Length: 115 min
 International Sales: Gaumont
 Canadian distributor: EOne

Samba came to France 10 years ago from Senegal. He plugs away at various lowly jobs. Alice is a senior executive who has recently undergone a burnout. He is willing to do whatever it takes to get working papers, while she is trying to get her life back together by doing volunteer work. Both struggle to get out of the dead-ends of their lives... until fate draws them together. Juggling humor and emotion, their story leads them on a new path to happiness. What if life had more imagination than either of them?

09/05 12:00PM (V10/P&I). 09/07 3:15PM (V8/PS).
 09/08 4:00PM (V1/PS). 09/09 8:30AM (V1/P&I)

In the presence of Olivier Nakache,
 Eric Toledano, Omar Sy, Charlotte Gainsbourg
 and Tahar Rahim



TIFF DOCS SELECTION

Silvered Water, Syria Self-portrait (Eau argentée, Syrie autoportrait)

Directors: Ossama Mohammed & Wiam Simav Bedirxan
 Length: 92 min
 International Sales: Doc & Film International

In Syria, everyday, YouTubers film then die; others kill then film. In Paris, driven by my inexhaustible love for Syria, I find that I can only film the sky and edit the footage posted on YouTube. From within the tension between my estrangement in France and the revolution, an encounter happened. A young Kurdish from Homs began to chat with me, asking: 'If your camera were here, in Homs, what would you be filming?'.

Silvered Water is the story of that encounter.

09/04 4:15PM (V1/P&I). 09/09 9:30PM (V1/PS).
 09/10 9:00AM (V6/PS). 09/13 6:00PM (V1/PS)



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

The Gate (Le Temps des aveux)

Director: Régis Wargnier
 Cast: Raphaël Personnaz, Kompheak Phoeung,
 Olivier Gourmet...
 Length: 95 min
 International Sales: Gaumont

Two decades after forging an unlikely alliance in Pol Pot's Cambodia, a French ethnologist and a former Khmer Rouge official meet again after the latter is arrested for crimes against humanity, in this searing drama from top French director Régis Wargnier (*Indochine*, *East/West*).

09/06 9:30AM (V1/P&I). 09/10 8:00PM (V9/PS).
 09/11 10:00AM (V2/PS). 09/11 11:30AM (V1/P&I).
 09/13 6:15PM (V7/PS)

In the presence of Régis Wargnier



DISCOVERY

The Great Man (Le Grand Homme)

Director: Sarah Léonor
 Cast: Jérémie Renier, Surho Sugaipov, Ramzan Idiev...
 Length: 107 min
 International Sales: Bac Films

Hamilton and Markov are about to finish their service in the Foreign Legion and a posting in Afghanistan. During an unauthorised expedition Hamilton is seriously wounded. Markov is dishonourably discharged, despite having saved Hamilton's life. Later in Paris, whilst Hamilton remains in the Foreign Legion, Markov tries to provide for his young son Khadij. When Markov is killed in an accident, Hamilton feels almost dead but there is Khadij who is very much alive...

09/05 2:30PM (V1/P&I). 09/05 6:00PM (V1/PS).
 09/08 9:00AM (V2/PS). 09/09 1:45PM (V1/P&I).
 09/14 9:45AM (V7/PS)

In the presence of Sarah Léonor



The New Girlfriend (Une nouvelle amie)

Director: François Ozon
Cast: Anaïs Demoustier, Romain Duris,
Raphaël Personnaz...
Length: 107 min
International Sales: Films Distribution

After the death of her best friend, Claire falls into a deep depression, but a surprising discovery about her friend's husband gives her a new taste for life.

**09/06 11:30AM (V1/P&I), 09/06 6:30PM (V8/PS),
09/07 8:45AM (V1/P&I), 09/07 1:00PM (V2/PS),
09/09 9:00AM (V1/P&I), 09/12 4:45PM (V1/P&I),
09/13 9:00PM (V3/PS)**

In the presence of François Ozon,
Romain Duris and Anaïs Demoustier



The Search

Director: Michel Hazanavicius
Cast: Bérénice Bejo, Annette Bening,
Maxim Emelianov...
Length: 135 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch
US Sales: CAA
Canadian distributor: Remstar Films

The Second Chechen War. 1999. *The Search* recounts, on a human scale, a powerful story of conflict told through four lives that will be brought together by a shocking twist of fate.

**09/07 4:00PM (V1/PRIVATE SCREENING OPEN TO BUYERS
AND PUBLIC — INVITATION ONLY), 09/12 9:00PM (V3/PS),
09/13 2:45PM (V4/PS).**

In the presence of Michel Hazanavicius
and Bérénice Bejo



This Is My Land

Director: Tamara Erde
Length: 93 min
International Sales: Films Transit International, Inc

How do the Palestinian and Israeli (Arab and Jewish) education systems teach the history of their nations? The film follows several Israeli and Palestinian teachers over one academic year. Observing their exchanges and confrontations with students, debates with the ministries curriculum and its restrictions, the viewers obtain an intimate glimpse into the profound and long lasting effect that the Israeli/Palestinian conflict transmits onto the next generation.

**09/07 7:00PM (V1/PS), 09/08 1:45PM (V1/P&I),
09/09 10:00PM (V1/PS), 09/11 9:45PM (V1/P&I),
09/13 9:15AM (V1/PS)**

In the presence of Tamara Erde



Timbuktu

Director: Abderrahmane Sissako
Cast: Ibrahim Ahmed aka Pino, Toulou Kiki,
Abel Jafri...
Length: 97 min
International Sales: Le Pacte
Canadian distributor: Axia Films
US distributor: Cohen Media Group

Not far from Timbuktu, now ruled by the religious fundamentalists, Kidane lives peacefully in the dunes with his wife Satima, his daughter Toya, and Issan, their twelve-year-old shepherd. Kidane and his family are being spared the chaos that prevails in Timbuktu. But their destiny changes when Kidane accidentally kills Amadou, the fisherman who slaughtered his beloved cow.

**09/04 2:30PM (V1/P&I), 09/09 6:15PM (V2/PS),
09/12 2:00PM (V2/PS)**

In the presence of Abderrahmane Sissako



Under A Changing Sky (Sous un ciel changeant)

Director: Jean-Claude Rousseau
Length: 12 min
International Sales: Jean-Claude Rousseau

I would ask you something, if you don't mind.
Just I need someone in my picture... Could you
stand over there and look wherever you want ?

09/05 6:30PM (V6/PS)



8 Bullets (8 Balles)

Director: Frank Ternier
Length: 12 min
International Sales: L'Agence du court métrage

A red-haired man came to me; he smelt of fried fish; he had a gun and he shot my family. Since I feel empty as if I had a hole in the head...

**09/08 9:45PM (V1/PS), 09/09 9:30AM (V1/P&I),
09/13 2:30PM (V1/PS)**



SHORTS COMPETITION

A Single Body (Un seul corps)

Director: Sotiris Dounoukos

Cast: Mexianu Medenou, Doudou Masta, Garba Tounkara...

Length: 19 min

International Sales: Kidam, Magnetic Films

Best friends and skilled abattoir workers David and Wani are saving to open their own butchery, but before they can realise their dream, the arrival of a new worker will test the bonds of their shared life.

09/05 7:30PM (V2/PS) 09/06 11:45AM (V1/P&I),
09/12 5:30PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Sotiris Dounoukos



SHORTS COMPETITION

Aïssa

Director: Clément Tréhin-Lalanne

Cast: Manda Touré, Bernard Campan, Simon Giesbert...

Length: 8,15 min

International Sales: L'Agence du court métrage

Aïssa is congolese and is presently residing illegally on French territory. She claims to be a minor however the authorities believe she is over 18. In order to establish whether or not she can remain in the country, a doctor must give her a physical examination.

09/08 9:45PM (V1/PS) 09/09 9:30AM (V1/P&I),
09/13 2:30PM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Clément Tréhin-Lalanne



SHORTS COMPETITION

Voilà l'enchaînement

Director: Claire Denis

Cast: Norah Krief, Alex Descas

Length: 30 min

International Sales: LE FRESNOY Studio national des arts contemporains

To film the words of Christine Angot, words which describe what we obliterate. I use that word, obliterate, perhaps there's a better word to express that unavoidable bond that a black man doubtless feels instinctively. That trap.

09/07 7:00PM (V1/PS) 09/08 9:00AM (V1/P&I),
09/13 11:45AM (V1/PS)

In the presence of Claire Denis and Alex Descas

SEPTEMBER 3-6

TIFF Talent Lab guided by French director Claire Denis



JOAN CHEMLA 2014 TALENT LAB PARTICIPANT

After studying law, Joan decided to start working as a journalist in Paris for two years before devoting herself to cinema. She wrote, produced and directed her first short film *Wrong Road* in 2008, followed by an adaptation of Charles Bukowski's *Dr. Nazi* in 2010, which received the prize of CANAL+ in Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival in 2011. In March 2012, she started filming *The Man with the Golden Brain*, her third short. Joan is currently writing her first feature film.

TIFF Talent Lab is a 4-day professional and artistic development programme for Canadian and international filmmakers. Talent Lab leads participants in group discussions on a range of topics focused on the artistic side of filmmaking, sharpening the skills and confidence of a new generation of filmmakers. This year, Talent Lab participants will be guided by Governors Jim Stark, an award-winning American producer, and renowned French director Claire Denis.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mavericks – On stage conversation with Juliette Binoche

September 6th, 2:00pm at the Glenn Gould Studio
250 Front St W, Toronto ON M5V 3G5



Tribute to Pascale Ferran at the Alliance Française

24 Spadina Road, Toronto ON M5R 2S7

September 2nd and 4th, 7:00pm

Retrospective in collaboration with Consulat Général de France, Alliance Française and Institut français in Toronto

September 7th, 4:30pm

Masterclass with Pascale Ferran

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