

GENERAL FESTIVAL INFORMATION

ABOUT TIFF

TIFF is a charitable cultural organization whose mission is to transform the way people see the world through film. An international leader in film culture, TIFF projects include the annual Toronto International Film Festival® in September; TIFF Bell Lightbox, which features five cinemas, major exhibitions, and learning and entertainment facilities; and innovative national distribution program Film Circuit. The organization generates an annual economic impact of \$189 million CAD. TIFF Bell Lightbox is generously supported by contributors including Founding Sponsor Bell, the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, the City of Toronto, the Reitman family (Ivan Reitman, Agi Mandel and Susan Michaels), The Daniels Corporation and RBC. For more information, visit tiff.net.

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

The Toronto International Film Festival® ranks among the most prestigious international film festivals in the world. For 11 days, film lovers, filmmakers, industry professionals and media watch the best in new cinema from established masters and new talent.

As one of the world's most important cultural events, the Festival consistently strives to set the standard for excellence in film programming. Films are selected on the basis of quality and originality. Preference is given to premieres. The Festival also promotes contacts between industry professionals to assist in the development of the Canadian motion picture industry.

The Festival also serves as a platform for Canada's artists to share their stories. Audacious in its selection and supported by the intelligence and breadth of its international audience, the Festival has become the landmark destination for the moving image and is forging ahead, seeking new ways to engineer creative and cultural discovery through film.

The level of engagement the Festival sustains from year to year is unique. Enthusiastic audiences and filmmakers are privy to unprecedented levels of access to one another as they exchange ideas about the art and business of filmmaking.

Up-and-coming Canadian filmmakers gain unparalleled insight into the workings of the international market. Media from around the globe converge on the Festival, creating buzz and stirring excitement over films and the talent behind them. Film buyers and other industry professionals, meanwhile, can choose from extensive additional screenings and specialized industry programming that empower them to make informed business decisions for days and months ahead. The Festival also provides excellent resources and networking opportunities for film-industry professionals.

From the efficiency and dedication of the Festival's staff and volunteers to its vast contribution to the culture and economy of the City of Toronto, the Toronto International Film Festival has earned its long-standing reputation as a leader in the international film community.

THE NUMBERS

The Toronto International Film Festival

- presents one of the world's largest annual showcases of Canadian and International cinema;
- presents at least two public and one press & industry screening of every invited film;
- welcomes over 376,000 attendees to public and press & industry screenings during the Festival
- accredits over 5,000 Canadian and international industry delegates;
- accredits over 1,150 Canadian and international media;

The 2016 Toronto International Film Festival

- received approximately 5,695 international and Canadian submissions and screened 296 feature films and 101 short films;
- had 16 programmes in which films from 71 countries were screened;
- had a seven day Industry Conference with over 70 panels and over 250 speakers.

SUBMISSIONS DEADLINES & FEES

Category	Submission Deadline & Fee	Late Submission Deadline & Fee
Canadian Features Longs Métrages Canadien	May 5, 2017 \$55.00	June 2, 2017 \$155.00
Canadian Documentary Features Longs Métrages Documentaire Canadien	May 5, 2017 \$55.00	June 2, 2017 \$155.00
Canadian Shorts Courts Métrages Canadien	May 5, 2017 \$25.00	June 2, 2017 \$55.00
International Features	May 5, 2017 \$85.00	June 2, 2017 \$115.00
International Documentary Features	May 5, 2017 \$85.00	June 2, 2017 \$115.00
International Shorts	May 5, 2017 \$55.00	June 2, 2017 \$85.00

SUBMISSIONS PROCESS

The submissions period for the 2017 Toronto International Film Festival opens February 7, 2017.

All submissions to the Toronto International Film Festival must be made via Withoutabox (<https://www.withoutabox.com/>).

SCREENING FORMATS

All selected Films must be available to screen in DCP (Digital Cinema Package) by August 18, 2017. TIFF may (but is not required to) permit selected films within the Wavelengths and Cinematheque programmes to be screened in the following alternative formats: 35mm or 16mm. No format exceptions will be made for the Short Cuts programmes.

SCHEDULING

The scheduling of films is determined by the Festival. The International Federation of Film Producers Associations (FIAPF) permits up to five screenings of invited films at the Toronto International Film Festival, including both public and press & industry screenings. The Festival assumes your consent to up to five screenings unless we receive a written petition otherwise. The date(s), time(s) and location(s) of exhibitions of the films shall be at the sole discretion of the Festival.

SCREENING PROTOCOL

The Festival expects that the filmmaker and any other guests attending with the film will be present for, at minimum, the first two public screenings of the film for both the introduction and question & answer session.

NOTE: All public film screenings have an introduction and question & answer session, with the exception of those at Roy Thomson Hall, which only have an introduction.