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MEDIA RELEASE

GET CLOSER TO THE ACTION AS A TIFF VOLUNTEER

TIFF 2019, starring... you!

Volunteer applications are open for the 44th Toronto International Film Festival

TORONTO – The Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) may be gearing up for its 44th edition, but TIFF can only roll the film once its team of enthusiastic Volunteers are ready for their close-ups. TIFF Volunteers are the heartbeat of the Festival: they're the smiling faces and helpful advisors, and they're the coolest film fans around. TIFF is seeking dedicated film lovers who want to be a part of one of the biggest film festivals in the world and help show Festival-goers why Toronto is truly one of a kind.

"TIFF Volunteers come from all walks of life, uniting through their support of the arts and their enthusiasm for the Festival," said Katy Fahimi-Manzari, Manager, Volunteer and Intern Resources, TIFF. "Their commitment to enhancing the experience of the audience is infectious. They are key to making the Festival magic happen, and a big part of why the Toronto Festival-going experience is so special."

Last year close to 3,000 Volunteers donated nearly 75,000 hours in a variety of roles, from assisting at theatre venues and the Industry Centre to lending office support and working in the hustle and bustle of Festival Street. In the last decade, Volunteers have contributed more than 1 million hours to the organization. Throughout the Festival and beyond, Volunteers receive unparalleled access to movies, the chance to make new friends, and experiences to last a lifetime.

Spread the word and apply now at tiff.net/volunteer. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. The 44th Toronto International Film Festival runs September 5–15, 2019.

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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

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