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HOURS (MARCH 20-MAY 6) llam-6pm

SAME DAY Tickets

Same day tickets are available online, by phone and at the CraveTV Box Office at Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema until one hour before screening time.

Additionally, each venue opens its box office 90 minutes before its first screening of the day (see schedule on page 39) and sells same day tickets for screenings at that venue.

RUSH Tickets

If a screening's advance ticket block is sold out, a limited number of rush tickets may be available at the screening venue's box office 10 minutes before the film begins. Line-ups for rush tickets form roughly one hour before the start time.

FREE Daytime Screenings

Seniors (60+) and students with valid ID can take advantage of free admission to films that start before 5pm. Pick up your tickets at the screening venue's box office on the day of the screening, subject to availability.

Courtesy of CBC Docs.

CHOOSE YOUR TICKETS OR PASS

SINGLE TICKETS: \$17 SPECIAL EVENTS: \$22-24 \$60-75 Food & Film Events

Ticket Packages

Perfect for sharing with your friends and family. You can use as many tickets as you like per screening and can redeem them in advance. Tickets not valid for special events.

6-PACK: \$99
10-PACK: \$149
20-PACK: \$249

Ticket package holders can redeem their tickets online at www.hotdocs.ca, by phone or in person at the CraveTV Box Office at Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema.

Passes

Access screenings without having to select films or book tickets in advance. Simply show your pass at the screening venue to obtain your ticket. Passes are non-transferrable.

PREMIUM PASS: \$359

• One ticket to every Festival screening

Passholders can visit the screening venue's box office on the day. A block of tickets will be held for passholders, subject to availability.

* All prices include HST. All prices exclude online service fees. No refunds or exchanges. Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema Members receive a discount of up to 25%. See **www.hotdocscinema.ca** for details.

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The above icons indicate feature film screenings that offer closed captioning or described sound (audio description), subject to equipment availability. Hearing assist devices are also available for all screenings at the TIFF Bell Lightbox and Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema, subject to equipment availability. Accessible screenings are supported by the Government of Ontario, The Catherine & Maxwell Meighen Foundation and J.P. Bickell Foundation. For more information, please visit www.hotdocs.ca/u/accessibility.

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Your entry to all things Hot Docs, membership opens a world of benefits at the Hot Docs Festival and throughout the year at our flagship documentary cinema.



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Year-round at Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema:

- **\$8** regular screening tickets
- Two free tickets to regular screenings
- Two free large popcorns

At the Hot Docs Festival:

- **Exclusive** early window on ordering tickets, passes and packages (March 20–27)
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- Two free tickets to select films

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Year-round at Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema:

- \$6 regular screening tickets
- Five free tickets to regular screenings
- Five free large popcorns

- At the Hot Docs Festival:
- **Exclusive** early window on ordering tickets, passes and packages (March 20–27)
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- Four free tickets to select films

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Year-round at Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema:

- **Unlimited free** tickets to regular screenings (one per film)
- Unlimited free large popcorns (one per visit)

At the Hot Docs Festival:

- **Exclusive** early window on ordering tickets, passes and packages (March 20–27)
- 25% discount on tickets, passes and packages
- Six free tickets to select films

Become a member NOW to save on Festival ticket packages and passes

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SPECIAL EVENTS



Opening Night Screening

THE HEAT: A KITCHEN (R)EVOLUTION

Enjoy the world premiere screening of our opening night film, *The Heat: A Kitchen (R)evolution* (p. 8), including an exclusive Q&A with the director and special guests from the film.

THU, APR 26 9:30 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA

Tickets: \$24

Food & Film Events

Join us for intimate events with special guests from our Food & Film spotlights. Separately ticketed events. Limited tickets available.

Supported by the Government of Ontario.







Tickets: \$60–75 (includes film and special event) Discounts for Hot Docs members do not apply. Not redeemable on Festival passes.

TURNING UP THE HEAT WITH CHEF ANITA LO & MAYA GALLUS

Before it was cool or on trend to shake up the establishment, award-winning director Maya Gallus and the renowned Chef Anita Lo (Annisa, Rickshaw and Bar Q) were already breaking the rules and revolutionizing their industries. Following the 1:15pm screening of *The Heat: A Kitchen (R)evolution* (p. 8), we'll grab a drink at Ricarda's with these two incredible women as we discuss what it means to break the norms and forge new paths within hospitality and filmmaking.

SAT, APR 28 1:15 PM TBLB

CHEF'S TABLE WITH CHEF CARL HEINRICH

Following the 10:45am screening of *Chef Flynn* (p. 9), join us for brunch with Chef Carl Heinrich (Richmond Station) at the Anne Boleyn. Heinrich got his start at age 13 as a dishwasher and hasn't left the kitchen since, going on to train under talented chefs in Vancouver, New York, France and Monaco before opening his own restaurant. We'll delve into what it means to be a young award-winning chef and how he plans to nurture the next gastronomic generation.

SUN, APR 29 10:45 AM TBLB

TABLE TALK & TAPAS WITH CHEF ROB BRAGAGNOLO

Following our final screening of *Constructing Albert* at 11:00am (p. 10), immerse yourself in an afternoon getaway to Spain at Campo Food Hall. Join us as we sit down for tapas with the talented Chef Rob Bragagnolo (Carver and Campo Food Hall). In this intimate conversation, we'll learn more about his experiences staging with the creative mastermind Chef Albert Adrià at the restaurant TICKETS in Barcelona and how that influenced his plans for bringing a stunning Spanish bodega and food hall to Toronto.

SAT, MAY 5 11:00 AM TBLB

25th Anniversary Screenings

Supported by the City of Toronto and the Ontario Media Development Corporation.



THE WAR ROOM

Directors Chris Hegedus and D A Pennebaker in attendance

This profile of Bill Clinton's 1992 presidential campaign is one of the greatest political documentaries of all time, and is still relevant as ever.

SUN, APR 29 3:45PM BADER

KANEHSATAKE: 270 YEARS OF RESISTANCE

Director Alanis Obomsawin in attendance

This essential masterwork documents the 1990 Oka crisis from behind the front lines, capturing the armed stand-off between Mohawks, the Quebec police and the Canadian army.

SAT, MAY 5 3:45PM TBLB

FREE EVENTS See online for ticketing details.



Hot Docs Celebrates 25 Free Anniversary Screening

Join us as Hot Docs hosts its first-ever IMAX screening at Cinesphere with the world premiere of *The Trolley* (p. 12). *Presented in partnership with Ontario Place Corporation, an agency of the Government of Ontario, and sponsored by the City of Toronto.*

SAT, MAY 5 3:00 PM OPCIN



In Conversation with Barbara Kopple

Join us for an in-depth conversation with this year's Outstanding Achievement Award recipient Barbara Kopple as she discusses her ground-breaking films and the unique relationship between filmmaker and subject.

THU, MAY 3 4:00 PM TBLB



Rogers Audience Award for Best Canadian Documentary Announcement and Encore Screening

On the Festival's final night, join us to celebrate our Canadian filmmakers and to announce the winner of the \$50,000 Rogers Audience Award for Best Canadian Documentary, courtesy of the Rogers Group of Funds.

SUN, MAY 6 7:00 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA



In Conversation with Cara Mertes

Cara Mertes, this year's Doc Mogul Award recipient, has spearheaded The Ford Foundation's funding for over 250 film and media projects that lift up stories of human dignity and justice, including the Oscar-winning film *Citizenfour*. Join us for her insights into the shifting documentary landscape.

MON, APR 30 4:00 PM TBLB

Hot Docs Salons co-presented with Autodesk

Explore technology as it relates to the subjects of two Special Presentations films, *Anote's Ark* (p. 8) and *More Human Than Human* (p. 11).



ANOTE'S ARK: Technology and Climate Change

Climate change is impacting our world in increasingly dangerous ways. What role can technology play in mitigating its impact and charting a path towards a solution?



MORE HUMAN THAN HUMAN: AI and Us

What does it mean to live in an age of intelligent machines? How do we weigh the benefits of convenience, efficiency and cost savings against the consequences to privacy, surveillance and safety as our relationship to machine evolves?

THU, MAY 3

7:30 PM AUTODESK



Silence Breakers Panel Discussion

Silence breakers have exposed gender-based violence and patriarchal practices. What are our next steps to ensure change is enacted in our attitudes and behaviours? This discussion features filmmakers from the Silence Breakers film program (p. 33) and representatives from OXFAM CANADA. *Presented in partnership with OXFAM CANADA*.

SAT, APR 28 10:30 AM TBLB

SPECIAL EVENTS

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WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?

Featuring director Morgan Neville and co-director of the Fred Rogers Center Dr. Junlei Li

Join Dr. Junlei Li, co-director of the Fred Rogers Center, and *Won't You Be My Neighbor?* (p. 12) director Morgan Neville to discuss the legacy of Mr. Rogers and the relevance of his work in helping this generation of children (and their parents) grapple with the complexities of modern life.

SAT. APR 28 6:30 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA TICKETS: \$24

NETIZENS

Featuring director Cynthia Lowen, founder of Feminist Frequency Anita Sarkeesian and victims' rights attorney Carrie Goldberg

As the online world becomes a hub for harassment, meet the women confronting digital abuse head-on. Anita Sarkeesian, founder of Feminist Frequency, and Carrie Goldberg, victims' rights attorney, join Netizens (p. 33) director Cynthia Lowen for a bold discussion about taking back the internet.

SUN, APR 29 6:30 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA TICKETS: \$24

THE CLEANERS

Featuring directors Hans Block and Moritz Riesewieck and Assistant Professor of Information Studies, UCLA, Dr. Sarah T. Roberts

Along with handing over our personal data, have we also ceded freedom and democracy to tech company behemoths? Join *The Cleaners* (p. 9) directors Hans Block and Moritz Riesewieck, and Dr. Sarah T. Roberts, Assistant Professor of Information Studies, UCLA, for a deep dive into the hidden world of online content moderation.

MON, APR 30 6:30 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA

ANOTE'S ARK

Featuring director Matthieu Rytz and former president of Kiribati Anote Tong

Meet Anote Tong, former president of the Pacific Island nation of Kiribati, and *Anote's Ark* (p. 8) director Matthieu Rytz as they discuss the human cost of rising sea levels and the options available for a population whose entire country may disappear in less than a generation.

6:30 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA TUE, MAY 1 TICKETS: \$24

MATANGI / MAYA / M.I.A.

Featuring M.I.A.

After the screening of MATANGI / MAYA / M.I.A. (p. 10), join music star M.I.A. herself for her reflections on modern political activism, the pitfalls of being an outspoken pop star, and the challenges of expressing polarizing messages of global importance.

WED. MAY 2 6:30 PM HOT DOCS CINEMA TICKETS: \$24

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WORLD PREMIERE—OPENING NIGHT FILM THE HEAT: A KITCHEN (R)EVOLUTION

D: Maya Gallus | Canada | 75 min

With hot tempers and brazen machismo, "bad boy" chefs have shaped the restaurant industry's often merciless working conditions, but as women take command of the world's top kitchens, they're revolutionizing food service and challenging its longstanding culture of harassment.

THU, APR 26	9:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SAT, APR 28	1:15 PM	TBLB*
SUN, MAY 6	3:30 PM	BADER

*Food & Film post-screening event, p. 5

WORLD PREMIERE ACTIVE MEASURES

D: Jack Bryan | USA | 112 min

Dive deep into one of the most deft espionage operations in history. Featuring exclusive interviews with Hillary Clinton, John McCain and more, this explosive film uncovers Trump-Putin ties dating back to the '70s and Soviet-style information warfare tactics used to affect the 2016 US presidential election.

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ALT-RIGHT: AGE OF RAGE

D: Adam Bhala Lough | USA | 104 min

Trigger warning: everything. Set against the horrific violence of the 2017 Charlottesville riots, alt-right leader Richard Spencer squares off against antifa activist Daryle Lamont Jenkins in this provocative look inside the two movements boiling over in America.

FRI, APR 27	9:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SAT, APR 28	1:15 PM	BADER
FRI, MAY 4	3:45 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA

NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

D: Mohamed Siam | Lebanon, Egypt, France, Germany, Norway, Denmark | 83 min

Filmed over six turbulent years following the Tahrir Square uprising in Egypt, a feisty 14-year-old activist grows before our eyes into a commanding young woman, searching for her identity in a tinderbox of political turmoil and patriarchal systems.

SUN, APR 29	6:45 PM	BADER
MON, APR 30	3:30 PM	BADER
SUN, MAY 6	10:15 AM	TBLB

WORLD PREMIERE ANDY IRONS: KISSED BY GOD

D: Steve Jones, Todd Jones | USA | 100 min

Three-time world surfing champion Andy Irons chased perfect pipe on the waves but dark demons on shore. Breathtaking cinematography captures the gorgeously wild star, but as mental illness troubles the waters, a heartbreaking tragedy unfolds.

SUN, APR 29	6:30 PM	TBLB
MON, APR 30	10:00 AM	TBLB
SAT, MAY 5	3:15 PM	TBLB

ANOTE'S ARK

D: Matthieu Rytz | Canada | 77 min

As rising sea levels threaten to swallow the Pacific Island nation of Kiribati, its president races against the clock to secure the future of a population whose entire country may disappear in less than a generation.

TUE, MAY 1	6:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA*
WED, MAY 2	10:15 AM	TBLB
FRI, MAY 4	1:00 PM	TBLB

*Big Ideas Series screening, p. 7



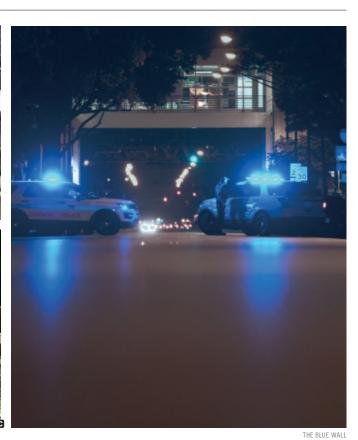
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SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS



THE BILL MURRAY STORIES: LIFE LESSONS LEARNED FROM A MYTHICAL MAN





CHEF FLYNN

WORLD PREMIERE **BEHIND THE CURVE**

D: Daniel J. Clark | USA | 96 min

A rapidly rising number of people are convinced that the Earth is flat. Follow the leaders behind this conspiracy theory du jour as they rally to spread their message, challenge scientific proofs and flatten the globe once and for all.

MON, APR 30	9:00 PM	TBLB
WED, MAY 2	1:00 PM	TBLB
SUN, MAY 6	8:30 PM	TBLB

BELIEVER

D: Don Argott | USA | 101 min

Imagine Dragons frontman and devout Mormon Dan Reynolds struggles to reconcile his faith with his church's hardening stance on homosexuality, and finds himself on a mission to combat growing suicide rates among Utah's LGBTQ youth.

TUE, MAY 1	9:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
THU, MAY 3	9:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
FRI, MAY 4	6:45 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE BILL MURRAY STORIES: LIFE LESSONS LEARNED FROM A MYTHICAL MAN

D: Tommy Avallone | USA | 70 min CC

"Bill Murray crashed my karaoke party." "Bill Murray photobombed our engagement pictures." Everyone knows someone with a "Bill Murray" story, but this inspirational and drop-dead-funny detective doc hunts down the myths and the man.

Screening with I LOVE YOUR FUCKING NAME

D: Finn O'Hara | Canada | 8 min

MON, APR 30	9:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
WED, MAY 2	10:30 AM	TBLB
SAT, MAY 5	3:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SUN, MAY 6	10:00 AM	TBLB

WORLD PREMIERE

THE BLUE WALL

D: Richard Rowley | USA | 76 min

Oscar-nominated director Richard Rowley offers a searing examination of the police killing of Laguan McDonald, tracing the conspiracy of silence that extended up to the Chicago mayor's office and revealing the journalists, activists and lawyers whose perseverance exposed the truth.

TUE, MAY 1	9:00 PM	BADER
WED, MAY 2	12:30 PM	HART
THU, MAY 3	9:00 PM	SCOTIA

CHEF FLYNN

D: Cameron Yates | USA | 83 min CC

When a 10-year-old prodigy launches a restaurant in his parents' house, his culinary creations lead to collaborations with some of the world's best chefs and a New York Times Magazine cover. But with his career set to take off, can he handle the heat?

SAT, APR 28	6:45 PM	BADER
SUN, APR 29	10:45 AM	TBLB*
SAT, MAY 5	1:15 PM	BADER

*Food & Film post-screening event, p. 5

THE CLEANERS

D: Hans Block, Moritz Riesewieck | Germany, Brazil | 88 min

Dive into the shadowy world of internet content moderators, where fingers hovering over the delete key judge within seconds the lines between art and pornography, journalism and propaganda, censorship and free speech-with far-reaching consequences both online and off.

MON, APR 30	6:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA*
WED, MAY 2	2:45 PM	SCOTIA
FRI, MAY 4	9:00 PM	REVUE

*Big Ideas Series screening, p. 7

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS



CONSTRUCTING ALBERT

D: Laura Collado, Jim Loomis | Spain, Estonia | 82 min

In the high-stakes world of haute cuisine, legendary Catalonian restaurant elBulli casts a long shadow—but when it closes, the head chef's younger brother draws on his long-unrecognized creative genius to fight for his own culinary vision.

WED, MAY 2	7:00 PM	TBLB
FRI, MAY 4	1:30 PM	TBLB
SAT, MAY 5	11:00 AM	TBLB*

*Food & Film post-screening event, p. 5

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE DEVIL WE KNOW

D: Stephanie Soechtig | USA | 88 min

Citizen activists unravel one of the largest environmental scandals of our time when West Virginian residents discover DuPont has been dumping a toxic chemical into the water supply—one that's now found in the blood of over 99% of Americans.

SUN, APR 29	6:15 PM	HART
TUE, MAY 1	12:30 PM	SCOTIA
FRI, MAY 4	12:15 PM	HART

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE FOURTH ESTATE D: Liz Garbus | USA | 90 min

Granted unprecedented access and interviews with editors and reporters on the front lines, Emmy-winning and Oscar-nominated filmmaker Liz Garbus's *The Fourth Estate* follows the inner workings of *The New York Times*, revealing the challenges, triumphs and pitfalls of covering a president who has declared war on the free press.

MON, APR 30	6:00 PM	BADER
TUE, MAY 1	12:45 PM	TBLB
SAT, MAY 5	10:30 AM	BADER

THE GAME CHANGERS

D: Louie Psihoyos | USA, Canada | 88 min 🖸

Oscar-winner Louie Psihoyos's (*The Cove*) explosive doc examines elite athletes' dramatically improved strength and performance when they switch from animal- to plant-based diets, and upends antiquated notions of masculinity and virility along the way.

FRI, APR 27	6:00 PM	TBLB
SAT, APR 28	10:30 AM	BADER
SAT, MAY 5	12:45 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA

INVENTING TOMORROW

D: Laura Nix | USA | 105 min

Roused by the issues faced by their own communities, brilliant young minds from around the globe gather in Los Angeles for the world's largest high school science fair, tackling environmental crises with ingenuity, inspiration and hope.

SUN, APR 29	9:15 PM	TBLB
MON, APR 30	12:45 PM	TBLB
SAT, MAY 5	8:30 PM	FOX
SUN, MAY 6	12:30 PM	BADER

25TH ANNIVERSARY SCREENING KANEHSATAKE: 270 YEARS OF RESISTANCE

D: Alanis Obomsawin | Canada | 119 min

In this essential masterwork, renowned filmmaker Alanis Obomsawin documents the 1990 Oka crisis from behind the front lines, capturing the armed stand-off between Mohawks, the Quebec police and the Canadian army. Followed by a postscreening conversation with the director.

SAT, MAY 5 3:45 PM TBLB

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE

D: Lisa D'Apolito | USA | 84 min 🖸

The vulnerable and effusive spirit of beloved comedian Gilda Radner is brought to life through newly discovered audio recordings, home movies, interviews with friends and diary entries read by performers she's inspired, including Melissa McCarthy, Amy Poehler and Maya Rudolph.

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THU, MAY 3	4:15 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SAT, MAY 5	9:00 PM	BADER

MATANGI / MAYA / M.I.A.

D: Steve Loveridge | USA | 97 min

Two decades' worth of personal footage capture the complex evolution of M.I.A., the musician and social justice activist whose outspoken rhymes tore up the charts, stoked political fires and captivated fans and critics worldwide.

WED, MAY 2	6:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA*
THU, MAY 3	4:00 PM	SCARB
SAT, MAY 5	9:00 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SUN, MAY 6	9:30 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA

*Big Ideas Series screening, p. 7

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE

D: Ian Bonhôte, Peter Ettedgui (co-director) | USA | 111 min

An intimate account of the life, career and artistry of legendary couturier, fashion maverick and creative genius Alexander McQueen, vividly brought to life via rare archival footage and revealing interviews with his inner circle.

SAT, APR 28	9:15 PM	TBLB
SUN, APR 29	2:30 PM	HART
SUN, MAY 6	9:00 PM	TBLB

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE

ON HER SHOULDERS

and good intentions.

THE OSLO DIARIES

TUE, MAY 1

WED, MAY 2

peace process.

TUE, MAY 1

WED, MAY 2

SAT, MAY 5

D: Alexandria Bombach | USA | 94 min

After surviving enslavement and genocide, a

who've suffered at the hands of ISIS, where

6:15 PM

10:00 AM

D: Mor Loushy, Daniel Sivan | Canada, Israel | 98 min

Once upon a time, Israel and Palestine almost

seen archival footage bring raw emotion and

-and eventual failure-of the Oslo Accords

9:00 PM

12:30 PM

made peace. Personal diaries and never-before-

new insights to the secret, complex negotiations

4:00 PM

resilient young Yazidi woman is thrust onto the

international stage as a spokesperson for those

she must learn to navigate bureaucracy, fame

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE MERCURY 13

D: David Sington, Heather Walsh | Ireland | 80 min

The pioneers enrolled in NASA's first female astronaut training program finally open up about their top-secret testing, which pitted them against the established boys' club of American astronauts of the 1950s.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE MORE HUMAN THAN HUMAN

D: Tommy Pallotta, Femke Wolting | Netherlands, USA, Belgium | 79 min

With artificial intelligence potentially on track to surpass human capabilities within the next two decades, one filmmaker tests his own job security by building a robot to replace himself and discovers the truth of what's really at stake.

WED, MAY 2	6:30 PM	HART
FRI, MAY 4	10:30 AM	BADER
SAT, MAY 5	3:15 PM	HART

ON HER SHOULDERS



INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE MR. SOUL!

D: Sam Pollard, Melissa Haizlip | USA | 102 min

Go backstage with the first all-Black variety show broadcast nationally on PBS, and meet its openly gay host, who was instrumental in ushering radical Black talent into American living rooms in the wake of the civil rights movement.

FRI, APR 27	9:00 PM	TBLB
SAT, APR 28	10:00 AM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SAT, MAY 5	6:00 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE NIGHT OF ALL NIGHTS D: Yasemin Şamdereli | Germany | 96 min

In frank and funny interviews, four couples from

across the world, united index, road occupies from circumstances but each together for more than 50 years, reflect on their relationships and share their secrets for long-lasting love—for better or for worse.

SAT, APR 28	9:30 PM	TBLB	
MON, APR 30	12:45 PM	BADER	
FRI, MAY 4	9:00 PM	FOX	

THE OSLO DIARIES



THE DEVIL WE KNOW

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

OUR NEW PRESIDENT

D: Maxim Pozdorovkin | USA | 77 min

In a horrifying and hilarious collage, the story of Donald Trump's path to the presidency is told entirely through Russian propaganda, laying bare an empire of fake news and the cynical tactics of information warfare.

Screening with

THE WATER SLIDE

D. Nathan muesueli USA 7 min			
TUE, MAY 1	9:00 PM	SCOTIA	
THU, MAY 3	10:00 AM	TBLB	
SAT, MAY 5	12:45 PM	TBLB	

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE PICK OF THE LITTER

D: Dana Nachman, Don Hardy | USA | 79 min CC

A litter of newborn Labrador puppies begins "basic training" to become service dogs for the blind—but who will make the cut? Their successes and failures are shared equally with the devoted caretakers who guide them on this rigorous two-year journey.

WED, MAY 2	9:00 PM	SCOTIA
FRI, MAY 4	1:00 PM	BADER
SUN, MAY 6	3:15 PM	TBLB ds

WORLD PREMIERE

D: Jean-Simon Chartier | Canada, USA | 90 min

A powerhouse Montreal game studio finally greenlights its next potential blockbuster, but egos and artistry collide with the bottom line as everything rides on the epic battle game—featuring samurais, knights and Vikings—hitting the jackpot.

WED, MAY 2	9:15 PM	TBLB
THU, MAY 3	2:45 PM	SCOTIA
FRI, MAY 4	8:15 PM	SCOTIA

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THREE IDENTICAL STRANGERS D: Tim Wardle | USA | 96 min

In 1980 in New York, three teenagers discover

by chance that they're triplets who were separated at birth. Despite disparate upbringings, they enjoy their newfound fraternity and fame until relationships unravel under the dark mystery surrounding their adoptions.

THU, APR 26	6:30 PM	TBLB
FRI, APR 27	1:30 PM	SCOTIA

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE TINY SHOULDERS: RETHINKING BARBIE

D: Andrea Blaugrund Nevins | USA | 90 min

With sales at a historic low and women's rights campaigns at fever pitch, Barbie is getting a radical makeover. Gloria Steinem, Roxane Gay, Mattel designers and others renegotiate the iconic doll's place in a world that both loves and loves to hate her.

THU, MAY 3	6:45 PM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
FRI, MAY 4	10:00 AM	HOT DOCS CINEMA
SUN, MAY 6	10:00 AM	HOT DOCS CINEMA

WORLD PREMIERE THE TROLLEY

D: Stephen Low | Canada | 45 min

This larger-than-life IMAX presentation explores the rise and fall of public transit's most efficient electrified vehicle. Ride through 34 cities worldwide and rediscover the invention that revolutionized city life—and may be the key to a sustainable future.

SAT, MAY 5 3:00 PM OPCIN

*Free anniversary screening, p. 6

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE UNITED SKATES

D: Dyana Winkler, Tina Brown | USA | 86 min 🖸

When America's last roller rinks are threatened with closure, thousands pull together to save and celebrate the vibrant underground subculture that has provided a safe space for the Black community since before the civil rights movement.

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25TH ANNIVERSARY SCREENING THE WAR ROOM

D: Chris Hegedus, D A Pennebaker | USA | 96 min

One of the greatest political documentaries of all time, still relevant as ever, this profile of Bill Clinton's 1992 presidential campaign celebrates its 25th anniversary with Hot Docs. Filmmakers Chris Hegedus and D A Pennebaker will attend this special screening.

SUN, APR 29 3:45 PM BADER

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?

D: Morgan Neville | USA | 93 min

Mr. Rogers created a neighbourhood in which he connected with children through honesty, directness and love, while delicately introducing complex social issues. His work continues to resonate today, but have we failed to become the neighbours he hoped for?

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UNITED SKATE

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?



1999

D: Samara Grace Chadwick | Canada, Switzerland | 90 min

Sixteen years after a wave of teen suicides traumatized a small New Brunswick community, former classmates attempt to piece together their long-silenced memories and shared grief in the hopes of finally healing.

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CIELO

D: Alison McAlpine | Canada, Chile | 78 min

The bewitchingly starry night skies of Northern Chile's Atacama Desert capture the earthbound imaginations of astronomers and residents alike in this poetic reverie, where science and spirituality align under an infinite, unknowable universe.

Screening with

WIND SHOULD BE HEARD NOT SEEN

D: Claire Sanford | Canada | 13 min

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE FIRST STRIPES

D: Jean-François Caissy | Canada | 106 min

Over the course of 12 weeks of intensive training, a group of fresh-faced young recruits gradually transform into Canadian Armed Forces soldiers, laying bare the sacrifice and discipline required to serve their country.

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WORLD PREMIERE THE GUARDIANS

D: Billie Mintz | Canada | 104 min CC

This uncompromising investigation exposes the rampant corruption that has transformed Nevada's guardianship system into a con game: seniors lose their wealth and well-being to greedy courtappointed protectors, while their adult children fight desperate court battles to free them.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE HARVEST MOON

D: Zaheed Mawani | Canada | 70 min

Hidden between mountain ranges and awash with local legend, Kyrgyzstan's vast and ancient walnut forest supports a lush frenzy of biodiversity and a rapidly disappearing way of life for one walnut farmer and his family.

Screening with AT HOME WITH THE HORSES

D: Dima Alansari, Eric Sanderson | Canada | 15 min

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WORLD PREMIERE LETTER FROM MASANJIA

D: Leon Lee | Canada | 76 min

When a desperate SOS letter penned by a political prisoner turns up in Halloween decorations sold in Oregon, it sparks a nail-biting chain of events that exposes appalling human rights violations

and leads to sweeping labour reform in China.

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HARVEST MOON

CANADIAN SPECTRUM



MY MOTHER'S LETTERS

A LITTLE WISDOM

D: Yugi Kang | Canada | 92 min

Explore an isolated Buddhist monastery in Nepal's breathtaking mountains through the eyes of a rambunctious five-year-old novice, whose natural wonder and imagination strain against the austere rhythms and rigours of monastic life.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE LOVE, SCOTT

D: Laura Marie Wayne | Canada | 76 min 🖸

After a young gay musician is viciously attacked in Halifax and left paralyzed, his best friend captures his brave and precarious recovery, offering a touching window into trauma and transformation and an urgent meditation on the queer experience.

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MY MOTHER'S LETTERS

D: Serge Giguère | Canada | 86 min

A veteran filmmaker discovers a trove of his mother's letters written in the 1950s, which opens a window back to his working-class childhood in rural Quebec in this tender and fascinating look at maternal love, family and memory.

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WORLD PREMIERE MY WAR

D: Julien Fréchette | Canada | 98 min

While hundreds of Westerners have made headlines by joining ISIS, hundreds of others have enlisted in the Kurdish army to combat their aggression, though the drastic choice is met as often with suspicion as with praise at home and in the conflict zone.

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WORLD PREMIERE OMNI: AN ACT AGAINST GRAVITY

D: Bogdan Stoica | Canada | 80 min

A young Montreal engineer builds a fully operational hoverboard, seemingly plucked from the pages of science fiction. The path of invention-its grandiose dreams, bursts of glory and banal frustrations—is charted from the beginning in this poetic docufiction.

Screening with

TIBOR D: Petra O'Toole | Canada | 6 min

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SHORTS PROGRAM: **BELOW THE SURFACE**

We've all got stories to tell, and these skilfully directed shorts dig below the surface to share tales of lives lived in their own unique ways-spiritually, mysteriously, open-heartedly or creatively—but always fully.

BERNIE LANGILLE WANTS TO KNOW ... WHO KILLED BERNIE LANGILLE

D: Jackie Torrens | Canada | 17 min

CAROUSEL

D: Christopher Greef | Canada | 21 min

THE HEAD & THE HAND

D: Marc Serpa Francoeur | Canada | 23 min

TURNING TABLES

D: Chrisann Hessing Canada 16 min			
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SNOWBIRDS

D: Joannie Lafrenière | Canada | 47 min

Harsh winters drive thousands of colourful Quebecois retirees to sunny Hallandale, the French district of Florida, where lawn bowling and beach jaunts dictate the day's rhythm in this humorous study of the snowbird lifestyle.

Screening with CAMPERFORCE D: Brett Story | USA | 16 min



EVICTION NOTICE

D: Laura O'Grady | Canada | 22 min

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TAKE LIGHT

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D: Shasha Nakhai | Canada | 78 min

The tangled wires of Nigeria's electricity crisis are traced through the eyes of a charismatic electrician, who strives to keep a fragile grid connected in Africa's most populous country despite disgruntled customers and bumbling bureaucrats.

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WORLD PREMIERE THIS MOUNTAIN LIFE

D: Grant Baldwin | Canada | 77 min 🖸

A 60-year-old mother and daughter's six-month trek through the treacherous Rocky Mountains is interspersed with beautifully crafted portraits of high-altitude human endurancean avalanche survivor, a snowshoe artist. a snowbound convent—that are by turns captivating and inspiring.

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TRANSFORMER

D: Michael Del Monte | Canada | 78 min CC

A father, ex-marine and world-record powerlifter faces a singular feat of strength: transitioning from male to female. Facing professional and personal rejection, she searches for peace in her own skin in this clear-eyed portrait of the transition process.

Screening with

MOMMY GOES RACE D: Charlene McConini | Canada | 6 min

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WORLD PREMIERE UNITED WE FAN D: Michael Sparaga | Canada | 97 min

Whether it's *Star Trek, Designing Women* or *Veronica Mars*, super-fans don't take the cancellation of their favourite TV series lying down. Meet the letter-writing, crowd-funding, rabble-rousing activists who fight to keep shows on the air with passion, determination and humour.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE WHAT WALAA WANTS

D: Christy Garland | Canada, Denmark | 89 min

Young Walaa, her sights set on becoming one of the few women to join the Palestinian Security Forces, fights to survive police training bootcamp with her wildly rebellious spirit intact.

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FOCUS ON JOHN WALKER



MEN OF THE DEEPS

A DRUMMER'S DREAM

D: John Walker | Canada | 2010 | 85 min

Seven world-renowned drummers gather in Ontario's countryside for a once-in-a-lifetime drum camp to swap road stories, share philosophies and make soul, jazz, rock and soca music that will lift your spirit with pure joy.

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THE FAIRY FAITH

D: John Walker | Canada | 2000 | 75 min

Transforming the mundane into the magical, this stunning cinematic journey into Celtic myth—with its age-old beliefs in fairies, sacred places and otherworldly powers—argues for an intermediary space between the physical world and the imagination.

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MEN OF THE DEEPS

D: John Walker | Canada | 2003 | 52 min

As the last coal mine in Cape Breton closes, a world-renowned choir of miners takes us deep underground and into their lives with powerful and uplifting songs that honour their traditions and history.

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PASSAGE

D: John Walker | Canada | 2008 | 113 min

Cannibalism. False heroes. Racism. An epic multiple award winner, *Passage* challenges British imperial history surrounding the Franklin Expedition, unearthing alternative histories from Inuit statesman Tagak Curley, author Ken McGoogan and Charles Dickens's great-grandson.

THU, MAY 3 12:15 PM TBLB

A DRUMMER'S DREAM

STRAND: UNDER THE DARK CLOTH D: John Walker | Canada | 1989 | 81 min

A defining master of American photography, Paul Strand's life and work is lovingly constructed through his photographs, scenes from his early documentaries, and interviews with contemporaries Georgia O'Keeffe, Fred Zinnemann, Leo Hurwitz and others.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE 306 HOLLYWOOD

D: Elan Bogarín, Jonathan Bogarín | USA | 94 min

After their beloved grandmother dies, two siblings dismantle her home to discover who she really was. From a closet of handmade party dresses to a stash of 50-year-old toilet rolls, witness the life that persists in the objects we leave behind.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE 52 SECONDS

D: Javier Andrade | Ecuador | 93 min

Days after a massive earthquake shook Ecuador's coast and caused complete devastation in just 52 seconds, the filmmaker returns to his hometown to survey the emotional aftershocks his family suffers and sift through the ruined city he knows so well.

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WORLD PREMIERE COMMANDER ARIAN—A STORY OF WOMEN, WAR AND FREEDOM D: Alba Sotorra | Germany, Spain, Syria | 77 min

On the frontline of the Syrian war, a 30-year-old commander leads her female battalion to retake an ISIS-controlled city and emerges severely wounded, forcing her to redefine herself in this empowering tale of emancipation and freedom.

Screening with THE GUESTS

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D: Arshia Shakiba | Canada | 6 min

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WORLD PREMIERE HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT DYING

D: Cameron Mullenneaux | USA | 75 min

Born with cystic fibrosis, Ethan Rice has been preparing to die all his life. Interweaving his father's home videos and his own original music and animation, this unflinching record of death's transformative influence and the father-son bond is essential viewing.

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WORLD PREMIERE

D: Maurice Sweeney | Ireland | 82 min CC

By turns ruthless and unrepentant, haunted and fragile, militant IRA activist Dolours Price resists easy stereotyping in an interview granted only on the condition of posthumous release. Long-held secrets are shared in this shocking story of radicalization.

Screening with BONFIRES

D: Martin Bureau	Canada 6 min
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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF DESIRE

D: Hao Wu | USA | 94 min

In China's live streaming showrooms where hundreds of millions gather online, three millennials—a karaoke singer, a migrant worker and a rags-to-riches comedian—seek fame, fortune and human connection, ultimately finding those promises as elusive as in real life.

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COMMANDER ARIAN—A STORY OF WOMEN, WAR AND FREEDOM



HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT DYING

INTERNATIONAL SPECTRUM



INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE PROPOSAL

D: Jill Magid | USA | 83 min

Upon discovering that the work of Mexico's most famous architect is aggressively "protected" by its Swiss copyright holders, an American conceptual artist develops an unorthodox project to explore artistic legacy and the methods by which it is written into history.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE SILVER BRANCH

D: Katrina Costello | Ireland | 75 min 🖸

In this bittersweet evocation of the end of an era, an Irish farmer/poet, deeply entwined with ancestral traditions and the natural world, must stand up for all that is sacred to him when the government threatens his way of life.

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WORLD PREMIERE

D: Bregtje van der Haak | Netherlands, Sweden, Belgium | 82 min

Wi-Fi routers, smartphones and cell towers are ubiquitous, but for some people who suffer from electromagnetic hypersensitivity, the expanding digital network is a tightening noose. Are these "digital refugees" eccentric outliers, or canaries in the coal mine of our modern world?

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WORLD PREMIERE WE COULD BE HEROES

D: Hind Bensari | Denmark, Tunisia, Morocco | 78 min

A gold medal-winning athlete returns home to Morocco after the Paralympics amid wild fanfare and hopes for a better future, but when he's abandoned by his athletic federation, he finds the drive to defend his title by training a successor and protesting for social justice.

Screening with ZION

D: Floyd Russ | USA | 10 min

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WORLD PREMIERE WHISPERING TRUTH TO POWER

D: Shameela Seedat | South Africa | 86 min

In her last year in office, South Africa's courageous yet controversial public protector faces down corruption, state power abuses and the president himself, intent on bringing justice to a country still wrestling with its apartheid past.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE WIND OF SWABIA

D: Corrado Punzi | Italy | 77 min

Life looks almost ordinary in Brindisi, an Italian city sandwiched between two of Europe's largest coal and petrochemical plants. But in this expertly shot, close-up observation, the disastrous effects of industrialization come into menacingly clear focus.

Screening with BLACK LINE

SUN, MAY 6

D: Mark Olexa,	Francesca Scalisi	Switzerland 10 min
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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE 4 YEARS IN 10 MINUTES

D: Mladen Kovacevic | Serbia | 62 min

Vintage footage shot by the first Serbian man to climb Mount Everest is woven with puzzling excerpts from his diary, composing an experimental meditation on hubris, alien landscapes and mystical mental states.

Screening with

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D: Marty O'Brien Canada 25 min			
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WORLD PREMIERE 93QUEEN

D: Paula Eiselt | USA | 85 min

Risking her reputation and her future, a no-nonsense Hasidic lawyer and mother of six attempts to shake up the "boys' club" of her Orthodox Brooklyn community by creating its first all-female ambulance corps.

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BISBEE '17

D: Robert Greene | USA | 118 min

The quirky folks of Bisbee, Arizona, memorialize the notorious arrest and exile of 1,200 striking mine workers in 1917 by recreating their brutal deportation and re-examining their town's darkest and most painful hour.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE BLOWIN' UP

D: Stephanie Wang-Breal | USA | 97 min

This vérité look inside an experimental "special intervention" court, created in NYC to help sex workers escape an unjust cycle of arrests, reveals a deeply compassionate initiative whose efforts are threatened by the new White House administration.

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WORLD PREMIERE THE BROKER

D: Azadi Moghadam | Iran | 61 min

This tragicomic glimpse into an Iranian dating agency, whose clients' feelings and preferences are trampled in the rush to marry them off, offers a shocking reminder that the patriarchy's fiercest agents can also be women.

Screening with

THE LAST REFUGEES

D: Tanaz Eshagh	ian USA	38 min
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CIRCLES

NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE CALL

D: Enrico Maisto | Italy | 57 min

Randomly selected a day prior for a civic duty many never knew existed, 60 confused citizens gather in a Milanese court of appeal in this droll observation of the jury selection process for one of Italy's infamous criminal cases.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE CALL HER GANDA D: PJ Raval | USA | 93 min

In the Philippines, a US Marine brutally murders a transgender woman, igniting a media firestorm, a high-profile court case and street protests, thrusting femicide, transphobia, American imperialism and military impunity into the national spotlight.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE CERES

D: Janet van den Brand | Belgium | 73 min

Gorgeous cinematography and inspired soundscapes infuse this wistful look at children coming of age on remote farms in the Netherlands, learning the beauty and cruelty of nature's cycles while feeling the pull of the outside world.

Screening with

TUNGRUS

D: Rishi Chandna | India | 14 min FRI, APR 27 3:00 PM TBLB SUN, APR 29 8:45 PM INNIS

WORLD PREMIERE CIRCLES

D: Cassidy Friedman | USA | 82 min CC

A dedicated high school counsellor in Oakland swaps zero tolerance for restorative justice-but the time, energy and emotion he pours into supporting his at-risk students creates a deep rift in his relationship with his own teenaged son.

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WORLD PREMIERE CORNERED IN MOLENBEEK

D: Sahim Omar Kalifa | Belgium | 54 min

Is the Brussels district of Molenbeek, notorious for its numerous ties to terror, really the "jihad capital of Europe"? Inside a local Muslim barber shop, life goes on: residents gather, gossip, debate and chatter in this charmingly intimate vérité tableau.

Screening with

THE HAIRCUT

D: Maya Annik Bedward | Canada | 11 min

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D: Mahdi Fleifel | UK, Germany, Switzerland | 10 min

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THE DEMINER

D: Hogir Hirori | Sweden | 83 min

Using nothing but a pair of clippers and a tiny knife, an army colonel and father of eight is on a mission to disarm thousands of mines hidden across Iraq, living on a razor's edge to save innocent lives.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE ENTREPRENEUR

D: Virpi Suutari | Finland | 75 min

In this tale of two enterprises, we follow a rural Finnish family selling meat from a truck and an urban start-up duo pioneering a vegan meat substitute—both navigating the same dreams and disappointments of the self-employed.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE FAITH HOPE LOVE

D: Katja Fedulova | Germany | 97 min

An acclaimed filmmaker returns home with a simple yet beguiling question: Are there still heroines in Putin's Russia? Dramatic, desperate and absurdly funny, her search uncovers three young women, each fighting for her vision of what modern Russia should be.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE FEELING OF BEING WATCHED

D: Assia Boundaoui | USA | 87 min

When a filmmaker investigates rumours of surveillance in her Arab-American neighbourhood in Chicago, she uncovers one of the largest FBI terrorism probes conducted before 9/11 and reveals its enduring impact on the community.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE GOLDEN DAWN GIRLS

D: Håvard Bustnes | Norway, Denmark, Finland | 92 min

When the notorious leader of Greece's right-wing, ultranationalist Golden Dawn Party is thrown behind bars, his daughter, wife and mother—all eloquent, unflappable and ruthless—take the reins and reveal their true colours through a disturbing series of interviews.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE GRANNY PROJECT

D: Bálint Révész | Hungary, UK | 89 min

Three women vividly recount for their grandsons their war-torn youths as a Hungarian Holocaust survivor, a German dancer and an English spy, weaving elaborate stories of pain, humour and intrigue that offer insight into their shared heritage that transcends generations.

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WORLD PREMIERE

GRIT

D: Sasha Friedlander, Cynthia Wade | USA | 80 min

An industrial accident in Indonesia unleashes a toxic mud tsunami, displacing 60,000, including a six-year-old and her mother. Over 10 years, as reparations go unpaid and survivors eke out a living, we watch her grow into an outspoken political activist.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE HAPPY WINTER

D: Giovanni Totaro | Italy | 91 min

Every summer on Palermo's Mondello Beach, hundreds of cabins go up, housing sunworshippers for the season. Quiet cameras capture the customs and conversations of those looking to escape their class, their age and the all-consuming economic crisis.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

D: Wojciech Klimala | Poland | 80 min

His daughter dead, his son-in-law jailed, his mind trapped in the past, a Polish retiree struggles to build a life of opportunity for his seven-year-old grandson in the only home he has: the shabby remains of his once-prosperous amusement park.

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KINSHASA MAKAMBO

D: Dieudo Hamadi | France | 75 min

Following Joseph Kabila's refusal to step down from the presidency of the Democratic Republic of the Congo—a position he's held since 2001 three young activists join the resistance in a country on the brink of a bloody civil war.

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D: Roopa	Goginer	ni USA, Kenya	14 min	
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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE KOLYMA—ROAD OF BONES

D: Stanislaw Mucha | Russia, Germany | 85 min

Black comedy meets dark history along a 2,000km Siberian road literally built on the bones of Stalin's prisoners. Survivors live alongside those who've never heard the word "Gulag" in this sweeping trip into a not-so-distant past.

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MAJ DORIS

D: Jon Blåhed | Sweden, Norway | 73 min

In this visually stunning portrait of the Sámi tradition, meet 75-year-old Maj Doris Rimpi: sought-after artist, painter, actress, mentor and living legend, leading a solitary life in the harsh conditions above Sweden's Arctic Circle.

Screening with

HISTORIES OF WOLVES

D: Agnes Meng	Portugal 24	min
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KINSHASA MAKAMBO







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MINDING THE GAP

D: Bing Liu | USA | 98 min

Escaping their volatile families, three young men in America's Rust Belt form a deep-seated bond over the course of a decade, but it becomes sharply tested by the sudden demands of adulthood and the shared past that still haunts them.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE MY FATHER IS MY MOTHER'S BROTHER

D: Vadym Ilkov | Ukraine | 76 min

In this touching family narrative, a bohemian singer/artist becomes a father to his five-year-old niece when his sister's mental health deteriorates, and finds himself awkwardly balancing fairy tales and playtime with his rowdy nightlife and provocative art.

Screening with

ANDERSON

D: Rodrigo Meireles | Brazil | 20 min WED, MAY 2 7:45 PM INNIS THU, MAY 3 3:15 PM SCOTIA

OF FATHERS AND SONS

D: Talal Derki | Germany, Syria, Qatar, Lebanon | 98 min

An exiled filmmaker returns to his homeland to follow one of the founders of al-Qaeda's Syrian arm and his two adolescent sons in this haunting family portrait of generational warfare and the road to radicalization.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE OVER THE LIMIT

D: Marta Prus | Poland, Germany, Finland | 74 min

A nail-biting, behind-the-scenes look at an elite Russian rhythmic gymnast who, with retirement looming, pushes through grueling physical challenges, mental obstacles and conflicts with her coaches in pursuit of the ultimate goal: winning Olympic gold.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE RETURN

D: Malene Choi Jensen | Denmark | 87 min

Two Danish-Korean adoptees return to their birthplaces, searching for their mothers, their identities and their destinies in a disorienting emotional journey that blurs fact and fiction.

Screening with

YOUR FATHER WAS BORN 100 YEARS OLD, AND SO WAS THE NAKBA

D: Razan AlSa	llah Palestine,	Lebanon, USA	A 7 min
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SHORTS PROGRAM: KINo

Sons, daughters and grandkids look at their loved ones through the lens of home movies. Using VHS tapes, animation, Super 8 and smartphones, they're not only remembering but reinventing

CRISANTO STREET

the family on film.

D: Paloma Martinez | USA | 12 min

GRANDMOTHER AND ME D: Kat Cole | USA | 7 min

HAUNTED

D: Christian Einshøj | Denmark | 30 min

INTO MY LIFE

D: Sarah Keeling, Grace Remington, Ivana Hucíková | USA | 16 min

MAYBE IT'S ME

D: Dimitris Simou | UK | 6 min

MY DEAD DAD'S PORNO TAPES

D: Charlie Tyrell	Canada 14 m	nin
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WORLD PREMIERE STBLINGS

D: Audrey Gordon | France | 63 min

Eleven-year-old Liberty's 13 siblings are scattered across the US in separate foster homes, but for one week, she reunites with a few at summer camp, redefining family for herself in fleeting moments of tenderness and affection.

Screening with

VIKA

D: Christian Bory	ıs, Marta Iwan	ek Canada 26 min
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SAT, MAY 5	12:30 PM	FOX

NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE SILK AND THE FLAME

D: Jordan Schiele | China, USA | 87 min

A closeted middle-aged man travels from bustling Beijing to his rural hometown for Chinese New Year. As breadwinner for the entire family, he must once and for all face his father's dying wish that he marry and continue the bloodline.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE TO KILL ALICE

D: Sangkyu Kim | South Korea | 77 min

A Korean woman living in the US writes a book about her life-changing travels to North Korea, but when a speaking tour takes her to South Korea, her message of unification is confronted with accusations of communist propaganda and disturbing threats of violence.

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SUN, MAY 6	12:45 PM	SCOTIA

NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

D: Maria Augusta Ramos | Brazil, Netherlands, Germany | 139 min

Incredible access and palpable tension create a captivating fly-on-the-wall study of the impeachment of Brazil's first female president, Dilma Rousseff—a cautionary tale of betrayal and corruption that speaks to the faltering of democratic institutions worldwide.

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VICTORY DAY

D: Sergei Loznitsa | Germany | 94 min

Acclaimed director Sergei Loznitsa's acute eye dissects the strange choreography of one of Germany's most culturally fascinating events: the annual commemoration of the Soviet Union's victory over Nazism, celebrated for the last 72 years in Berlin.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

VIVRE RICHE

D: Joël Akafou | France, Burkina Faso, Belgium | 53 min

Left disoriented and disillusioned by years of civil war and financial crisis, a generation of young men in Côte d'Ivoire scramble for a future, with many turning to scamming European women online—what's seen as collecting the "colonial debt."

Screening with BLACK SHEEP

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D: Ed Perkins	UK 26 min	
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A WOMAN CAPTURED

D: Bernadett Tuza-Ritter | Hungary | 89 min

Overworked, starved and mistreated, a middleaged woman has been trapped in domestic slavery for over a decade by an affluent Hungarian family—but as trust grows between her and the filmmaker, she makes a heroic bid for freedom.

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DOCC DocX is an interdisciplinary section of the Festival celebrating documentary work that lives outside of the traditional format.

DocX is supported by the Government of Ontario. Additional thanks to Autodesk @ MaRS and Brookfield Place.

Performance



WORLD PREMIERE POSTINGS FROM HOME

D: Kelly O'Brien | Canada | 70 min

This poignant live performance piece by Toronto filmmaker Kelly O'Brien is an update of her acclaimed slideshow project from 2016, which turned years of daily Facebook posts into a personal essay on family, art and everyday life.

THU, MAY 3 7:00 PM BADER TICKETS: \$22

Video Installation



HAVARIE

D: Philip Scheffner | Germany | 93 min

Havarie traces a complex network of political, geographic and affective relations orbiting around a visible centre: a three-minute YouTube video of a tiny boat jammed full of refugees attempting passage to Europe. Presented by the Goethe-Institut Toronto in partnership with the Hot Docs Festival, Images Festival and Scotiabank CONTACT Photography Festival.

Free at Goethe Media Space 100 University Ave., North Tower, 2nd floor

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DocX at Brookfield Place



ANOTE'S ARK VR & PHOTO EXHIBIT

Join us for a VR experience (p. 25) and special photo exhibit exploring the impact of rising sea levels on Kiribati, the secluded Pacific Island nation profiled in the film Anote's Ark (p. 8).

Free at Brookfield Place, Sam Pollock Square 181 Bay St.

HOURS OF OPERATION: FRI, APRIL 27-SAT, MAY 5 10AM-6PM

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Virtual Reality and Interactive

Free at Autodesk @ MaRS, Autodesk Technology Centre 661 University Avenue, Suite 100

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To participate, you must be at least 13 years of age.



ANOTE'S ARK (VR)

D: Matthieu Rytz | Canada | 9 min

In this companion piece to the film *Anote's Ark* (p. 8), take a deeper look into the sinking Pacific Island nation of Kiribati and the fate of a population whose entire country may disappear in less than a generation due to climate change.

Also be sure to visit the accompanying photo exhibit, only on display at Brookfield Place (p. 24).



GREENLAND MELTING

D: Catherine Upin, Julia Cort, Nonny de la Peña, Raney Aronson-Rath | Greenland, USA | 11 min

Greenland's glaciers are melting at alarming rates. Through breathtaking 360° perspectives, track the relentless progress of climate change and immerse yourself in this beautiful corner of the world before it's too late.



THE GUARDIANS OF THE FOREST

D: Brittany Neff, Ben Ross | Brazil | 9 min

Produced in association with the United Nations VR initiative, this experience follows the extraordinary Indigenous volunteer force that acts as the Amazon's last line of defense against illegal loggers.



HOLY CITY VR D: Nimrod Shanit, Timur Musabay | Canada, Israel | 6 min

Filmed entirely on location, this innovative experience lets you walk within the walls of Jerusalem, providing a singular opportunity to explore the rich cultural and religious history of one of the most sacred places on Earth.



NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE LAST CHAIR

D: Jessie van Vreden, Anke Teunissen | Netherlands | 19 min

Two men, isolated in their twilight years, humbly look back on the lives they led and choices they made in this touching reflection on human mortality and self-acceptance.



LIVING WITH JAGUARS VR

D: Jeff Orlowski, Patrick McGuire | Canada, Brazil | 45 min

Experience the world of Brazil's wild jaguars through their own eyes and those of the people who live and work alongside them in this immersive look at the complex issues facing these amazing animals.

DOCX



WORLD PREMIERE MADE THIS WAY: REDEFINING MASCULINITY

D: Irem Harnak, Elli Raynai | Canada, USA | 10 min

Surround yourself in an artistic rendering of identity and body consciousness as expressed through a deeply honest and personal story of gender transition.



INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE SANCTUARIES OF SILENCE D: Adam Loften, Emmanuel Vaughan-Lee | USA | 7 min

Escape to Washington's sprawling Olympic National Park—one of North America's quietest locales and a rare haven from the pervasive and damaging effects of noise pollution.



SMALL WONDERS: THE VR EXPERIENCE D: Priam Givord | Canada | 5 min

Step inside the stunningly intricate details of a 500-year-old prayer bead, with its incredible hand-carved scenes from heaven and hell that are nearly impossible to see with the naked eye.



THE SUN LADIES D: Christian Stephen, Celine Tricart | USA | 7 min

Rise up with a remarkable female fighting force who escaped the Yazidi genocide and have now banded together to rescue kidnapped relatives and fight for the survival and dignity of their people.



THANK YOU FOR PLAYING

D: Andréa Cohen-Boulakia, Priam Givord | Canada | 20 min

Through unvarnished accounts from gamblers, psychologists and neurologists, this interactive piece shows the underlying mechanisms of addiction and how quickly the human mind can get sucked into games of chance.



TREE

D: Milica Zec, Winslow Turner Porter III | USA | 8 min

Connect with nature like never before in this gorgeously innovative work that transforms every part of your body into the roots, branches and leaves of a tree growing in the Amazon rainforest.



THE THIRD WHEEL D: André Roy | Canada | 7 min

In this compassionate and enlightening VR experience, a high school gym class plays basketball entirely in wheelchairs to allow their classmates with muscular dystrophy to participate.



Plus, don't miss a World Premiere of a special new VR piece by The Guardian.



ARTEMIO

D: Sandra Luz López Barroso | Mexico | 48 min

In this award-winning tale of reverse migration, visa issues force a young American-born boy and his mother to move from California back to a rural Mexican town and face the challenges of distance and displacement together.

Screening with

FAMILIAR TALE

D: Sumie García | Mexico | 20 min

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D: Nelson Aldape	e, Isis Ahumada	a Mexico 9 min
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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE ETERNITY NEVER SURRENDERED

D: Daniela Rea Gómez | Mexico | 73 min

In Mexico, two women mourn their missing loved ones: a husband claimed by organized crime, a mother disappeared by a corrupt government. Facing these overwhelming absences while rebuilding their own lives becomes a battle with memory itself.

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WORLD PREMIERE

I'M LEAVING NOW (YA ME VOY)

D: Lindsey Cordero, Armando Croda | USA, Mexico | 74 min

After scraping by in Brooklyn for 16 years, an undocumented worker plans to return to Mexico, but secret betrayals have warped the family he remembers and an unexpected romance makes him reconsider his path in this deeply intimate story.

Screening with

SYMPHONY OF A SAD SEA

D: Carlos Morales Mexico 12 min			
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D: José Pablo Estrada Torrescano | Mexico, Germany | 75 min

When the extravagant 95-year-old matriarch of an upper-crust Mexican family is promised a documentary by her 14th grandson, he stumbles upon her haunted past, blowing open a dark family history of secrets and lies spanning five generations.

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RUSH HOUR

D: Luciana Kaplan | Mexico | 79 min

Three long-distance commuters in Los Angeles, Istanbul and Mexico City question their quality of life and reflect on the hours they've lost as they traverse congested highways and crowded subways on their way to and from work.

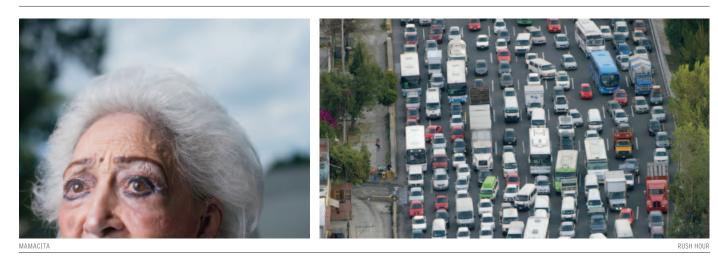
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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE WITKIN & WITKIN

D: Trisha Ziff | Mexico | 93 min

Despite being identical twins, a renowned photographer and his brother, a painter, couldn't be more different. This intensely human story explores their divergent art practices and complex relationship as they reach a crossroads in their lives.

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BRAGUINO

D: Clément Cogitore | France | 49 min

In this eerie, hazy fairy tale, two self-reliant families, isolated in the Siberian boreal forest, are locked in a perpetual feud that distracts them from the real threat looming: rapacious foreigners bent on profiting from the unspoiled landscape.

Screening with

D: Daan Jongbloed Netherlands 40 min			
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THE DISTANT BARKING OF DOGS

D: Simon Lereng Wilmont | Denmark, Finland, Sweden | 86 min

A 10-year-old and his grandmother, living on the frontlines of the ongoing war in East Ukraine, decide to stay in the small village that most have fled—but as the war drags on, bloodshed and terror test their resolve.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE GLOBAL FAMILY

D: Melanie Andernach, Andreas Köhler | Germany | 88 min

Splintered across three continents by civil war, one Somali family rankles indifferent bureaucracies and intolerant communities in each of their new countries when a crisis hits their frail matriarch and they desperately struggle to find her a home.

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WORLD PREMIERE

OF FISH AND FOE

D: Heike Bachelier, Andy Heathcote | UK | 94 min

Drama explodes on the Scottish high seas as the last fishing family using traditional salmon nets battles animal activists Sea Shepherd and Hunt Saboteurs. Intrepid cameras capture the fiery fight as an even greater enemy emerges to confront them both.

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RODEO

D: Raimo Jõerand, Kiur Aarma | Estonia, Finland | 77 min

In 1992, Estonia's first free elections voted in Europe's youngest and most radical leader. Frank interviews and rare archives reveal just how wild the newly "western" eastern-bloc country had to become to oust the Soviets and embrace capitalism.

Screening with

THE FALL OF LENIN

D: Svitlana Shy	mko Ukraine	11 min	
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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE RUSSIAN JOB

D: Petr Horký | Czech Republic | 63 min

When an ambitious Swedish manager is dispatched to revive a failing car manufacturing plant, he steps into an absurdist microcosm of modern Russia. His earnest but strict managerial style soon clashes with sleepy Soviet standards in this witty workplace satire.

Screening with

MEN WITH NO NAME

D: Nuruzzaman	Khan Portug	al, Bangladesh 12 min
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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE STRANGE SOUND OF HAPPINESS

D: Diego Pascal Panarello | Italy, Germany | 89 min

A dumped, jobless musician returns home to Sicily looking for purpose. After a melodic vision of the mouth harp—one of the world's oldest instruments—he scours the Siberian wilderness to study under its master in this funny, fantastical midlife crisis.

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THE CHANGING FACE OF EUROPE

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE TO WANT, TO NEED, TO LOVE

D: Ilir Hasanaj | Kosovo | 90 min

The filmmaker follows three participants in an ambitious performance art project—including his own apathetic brother and a couple on the verge of a breakup—as they travel from Pristina to Belgrade to Zurich, inspired by the question: What do you believe in?

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE WHEN PIGS COME

D: Biljana Tutorov | Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina | 72 min

Vital and engaged, a retired schoolteacher in a small Serbian border town compulsively consumes the news in the lead-up to the presidential election, encouraging others with humour and determination to get out and vote for the leaders they deserve.

Screening with LEOCADIA'S DREAM

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D: Krzysztof No	wicki Poland	18 mir
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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE WHITE WORLD ACCORDING **TO DALIBOREK**

D: Vít Klusák | Czech Republic, Slovakia, UK, Denmark | 107 min

A lonely middle-aged Czech man loves Nazis and YouTube while hating gypsies and his mom's new boyfriend. Plucking at the tensions of Europe's rampant racism, this darkly comic satire uses family drama to push unspeakably shameful hatred into the light.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE ARTIST & THE PERVERT

D: Beatrice Behn, René Gebhardt | Germany | 96 min

Hailed as revolutionaries and derided as perverts, a famous white Austrian composer and a renowned Black sex educator share a shameless BDSM relationship that flouts conventions and flirts with the boundaries of radical self-determination, race, sexuality and politics.

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WORLD PREMIERE

D: John Barnard | Canada | 80 min

With "American Woman" and "You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet," Canadian rock legend Randy Bachman achieved the rare status of reaching #1 in two separate bands. His story is one of chart-topping highs, crushing lows—and a single-minded passion for music.

Screening with RUFF AND TUFF-STRANGER COLE'S TORONTO ROOTS

D: Chris Flanagan | Canada | 10 min

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE BATHTUBS OVER BROADWAY

D: Dava Whisenant | USA | 87 min 🖸

When a *Late Show with David Letterman* writer discovers an old record, it leads to the hysterical revival of "the industrial musical," a ridiculously underappreciated art form that saw the likes of Martin Short, Chita Rivera and more sing the praises of light bulbs and ball bearings.

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SAT, MAY 5	3:45 PM	BADER

NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE BEKSIŃSKIS. A SOUND AND PICTURE ALBUM

D: Marcin Borchardt | Poland | 80 min

For Polish painter Zdzisław Beksiński, renowned for his darkly surreal style, art and family cannot be separated. As his son spirals into suicidal depression, he audio-records and films his family, watching safely behind a lens as they succumb to tragedy.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE DON'T BE NICE

D: Max Powers | USA | 96 min CC

As an upstart slam poetry team from NYC prepares for national championships, their coach challenges them to take risks and write from the soul. Can daring poems about racism, homophobia and cultural appropriation compete with crowd-pleasers for the title?

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

DREAMING MURAKAMI

D: Nitesh Anjaan | Denmark | 58 min

Enchanted by Haruki Murakami's spellbinding novels, a devoted Danish translator has spent decades pursuing the perfect words to transcribe the renowned Japanese writer's enigmatic universe, in this dreamy love letter to the art of translation.

Screening with SMITHY & DICKIE

D: Hannah Quinn | Ireland | 10 min

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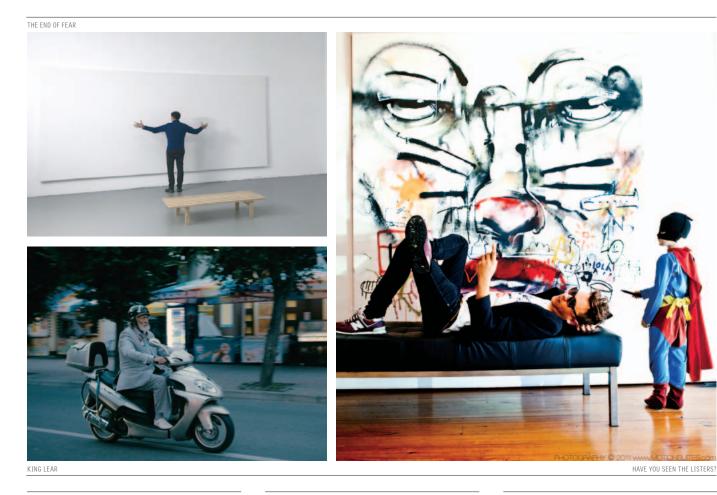
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THE ARTIST & THE PERVERT

ARTSCAPES



NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE END OF FEAR

D: Barbara Visser | Netherlands | 70 min

The slashing of Barnett Newman's infamous abstract painting in 1986 in an Amsterdam gallery set off a series of scandals that rocked the entire art world. Inventive re-enactments resurrect this fascinating moment that questioned the very value of art itself.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

D: Paul Damien Williams | Australia | 96 min

Blind from birth, Indigenous singer/songwriter Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu is regarded as one of the most important voices ever to come out of Australia. This doc celebrates the late artist and the tremendous obstacles he overcame on his path to global acclaim.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE HAVE YOU SEEN THE LISTERS?

D: Eddie Martin | Australia | 86 min 🖸

With ambitions to become the world's greatest street artist, an Australian man sets out to traverse the globe, jeopardizing his relationships with family, friends and loved ones in the singleminded pursuit of his dream.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE KING LEAR

D: Denis Klebleev | Russia | 56 min

Playing the iconic Shakespearean monarch is an enduring obsession for a retired Russian actor but his longing takes on a darkly comic life of its own after his own drama-filled story brings him closer to the character than he ever imagined.

Screening with BACK TO GENOA CITY

D: Benoît Grimalt | France | 29 min THU, APR 26 9:00 PM TBI

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE MR. FISH: CARTOONING FROM THE DEEP END

D: Pablo Bryant | USA | 70 min

In the twilight of the newspaper industry, an editorial cartoonist pushes the boundaries of the First Amendment with his savagely honest cartoons. But in a culture where consumerism is king and opportunities are few, how long can he continue uncompromised?

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THE PRINCE AND THE DYBBUK

D: Elwira Niewiera, Piotr Rosolowski | Poland | 82 min

This award-winning mystery asks the question: who was Moshe Waks? A poor Jewish boy turned wildly successful Hollywood magnate turned exiled aristocrat—or a consummate fraudster who couldn't distinguish between films and reality?

Screening with CARLOTTA'S FACE

D: Valentin Riedl,	Frédéric	Schuld Germany 5 mi	n
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ARTSCAPES

WORLD PREMIERE

THE REAL THING

D: Benoît Felici | France | 54 min

There's a St. Peter's Basilica in Côte d'Ivoire and an Eiffel Tower in China-but do these largescale replicas, erected far from home and lined with tourist dollars, herald a world of closed borders or rosy cultural exchange?

Screening with THE EARTH IS HUMMING

D: Garrett Bradley | USA | 15 min

and

THE TRAFFIC SEPARATING DEVICE

D: Johan Palmg	jren Sweden	15 min
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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE **REZO**

D: Leo Gabriadze | Russia | 63 min

The surreal inner world of Georgian artist and puppeteer Rezo Gabriadze magically comes to life in this delicate and profound animated film, where post-WWII politics and totalitarianism are the backdrop of a humorous, heartfelt autobiographical tale.

Screening with

LOTTE THAT SILHOUETTE GIRL

D: Elizabeth Beecherl, Carla Patullo | USA | 10 min

and PRINCE'S TALE

D: Jamie Miller Canada 16 min			
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SHIRKERS

D: Sandi Tan | USA, Singapore | 96 min CC

A young writer from Singapore shoots the country's first indie road movie with her mysterious American mentor, who then disappears—with all the footage. Decades later, the reels resurface, reopening the mysteries of the film that could have been.

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YELLOW IS FORBIDDEN

D: Pietra Brettkelly | New Zealand | 94 min

This behind-the-runway look at the extravagant creations of Guo Pei captures her incredible journey from a daughter of the Cultural Revolution to China's fashion darling, poised to join the elite-and mostly European male-club of haute couture.

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WORLD PREMIERE

AFGHAN CYCLES

D: Sarah Menzies | USA | 90 min

Young Afghan women challenge gender and cultural barriers as they train with the Women's National Cycling Team. Using the bicycle as a literal and metaphorical vehicle for freedom, they fight for empowerment and social change at the risk of their own lives.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE A THOUSAND GIRLS LIKE ME

D: Sahra Mosawi | France, Afghanistan | 76 min

Iron-willed in the face of cultural and familial pressures, a courageous young Afghan woman forces her father to stand trial for years of sexual abuse—and exposes a sexist justice system and the plight of women at its mercy.

Screening with UNKNOWN ARTIS

D: Fazila Amiri	Afghanistan	7	min
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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE NETIZENS

D: Cynthia Lowen | USA | 97 min 🗰

Systematically silenced and terrorized by anonymous harassers, three women—among the many millions for whom the internet is a battleground—attempt to seek justice and spread awareness, taking back their power and their lives in the process.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE NOTHING WITHOUT US: THE WOMEN WHO WILL END AIDS

D: Harriet Hirshorn | USA | 67 min

From the US to Africa, the 30-year-old HIV/AIDS pandemic still disproportionately plagues women as its surrounding issues and policies keep them perpetually at risk and sick. Follow the brave women in this rousing film who are fighting to end the crisis.

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PRIMAS

D: Laura Bari | Canada, Argentina | 99 min

Two Argentinian cousins, their childhoods marred by heinous acts of sexual violence, heal and come of age together as they uncover their own resilience, power and imagination through performance art.

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FRI, MAY 4	6:00 PM	TBLB

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE ROLL RED ROLL

D: Nancy Schwartzman | USA | 80 min CC

When a girl is raped in a sleepy Ohio town by members of the beloved high school football team, a veil of silence, complicity and denial descends until a whistle-blowing blogger exposes the truth, catapulting rape culture into national headlines.

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A THOUSAND GIRLS LIKE ME

SILENCE BREAKERS



NOTHING WITHOUT US: THE WOMEN WHO WILL END AIDS

SHORTS PROGRAM: SILENCE BREAKERS

As the #MeToo and Time's Up movements mobilize, explore a watershed moment for women who are finally being heard. From microaggressions to ageism, sexist stereotypes to institutionalized inequality, the time for change is now!

DEATH METAL GRANDMA

D: Leah Galant | USA | 13 min

INFINITE GALATEA

D: Julia Maura, Mariangela Pluchino, Ambra Reijnen, Maria Chatzi, Fátima Flores | Spain | 17 min

D: Olivia Kastebring, Julia Gumpert, Ulrika Bandeira | Sweden | 17 min

MEATBALLS COUSCOUS

D: Laure Protat | France | 17 min

PUMPKIN MOVIE

D: Sophy Romvari | Canada | 10 min

UNHEARD

D: Erin Semine Kökdil | USA | 5 min

A WOMAN LIKE ME

D: Isabel Morales Bondy | Denmark, UK | 9 min

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WORLD PREMIERE SLUT OR NUT: THE DIARY OF A RAPE TRIAL

D: Kelly Showker | Canada | 70 min CC

Dismissed by the authorities and left frustrated by the courts, a sexual assault survivor resorts to bold activism to challenge rape culture in Canada in this enraging case study of the realities of reporting assault in a stacked system.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE

D: Norah Shapiro | USA | 88 min

A rising political star seeks election to the Minnesota House of Representatives, but can this Muslim Somali-American and her idealistic campaign staff beat back the 43-year incumbent and prevail against increasing Islamophobia under Trump Nation?

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WOMEN OF THE **VENEZUELAN CHAOS**

D: Margarita Cadenas | France | 83 min

In this blistering portrait of a country in collapse, five Venezuelan women from different backgrounds and generations testify to the myriad crises that plague their nation, from food shortages and scarce medical supplies to soaring crime and government doublespeak.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE YOURS IN SISTERHOOD D: Irene Lusztig | USA | 100 min

Part time capsule, part inclusive call to action, hundreds of strangers across the US read and react to 40-year-old letters to the editor of Ms. Magazine in this fascinating exploration of second-wave feminism in the age of Time's Up.

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WORLD PREMIERE

THE ACCOUNTANT OF AUSCHWITZ

D: Matthew Shoychet | Canada | 80 min

As Germany continues to seek justice for Holocaust crimes, a former SS guard—now a frail 94-year-old—stands trial. Is the "Accountant of Auschwitz" an accomplice to history's worst genocide, or a scapegoat for a country still desperate to atone?

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CRIME + PUNISHMENT

D: Stephen Maing | USA | 111 min

Follow 12 NYPD cops as they risk their reputations, careers and safety to blow the whistle on unchecked corruption in the police force and the illegal summons and arrest quotas that target minorities in low-income neighbourhoods.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE

D: Elizabeth Mirzaei, Gulistan Mirzaei | Canada, Afghanistan | 96 min

As foreign troops withdraw and aid dries up, one fiercely independent Afghan woman desperately confronts the crisis of heroin addiction gripping her country, striving to stem an epidemic that threatens thousands in a society already on the brink of collapse.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE LONELY BATTLE OF THOMAS REID

D: Feargal Ward | Ireland | 77 min

In this classic David-and-Goliath parable for a modern age, an eccentric Irish farmer single-handedly opposes a hulking American multinational backed by the state that seeks to evict him from his ancestral farm.

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE RECOVERY BOYS

D: Elaine McMillion Sheldon | USA | 90 min

Filmed over 18 months at a recovery treatment facility in West Virginia, four men battle their addictions and the demons that fuel them in this intimate account that reveals the human face of America's opioid crisis.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE THE SILENCE OF OTHERS

D: Almudena Carracedo, Robert Bahar | Spain | 96 min

When Spain prohibits the prosecution of any Franco-era crime, surviving torture victims and their families rebel, launching the controversial "Argentine Lawsuit." Stunning testimonies battle historical amnesia in this gripping exposé, executive produced by the Almodóvars.

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WORLD PREMIERE WARRIOR WOMEN

D: Christina D. King, Elizabeth A. Castle | USA | 67 min

From the 1970s American Indian Movement to 2016 protests at Standing Rock, this inspiring film charts the lifelong activism of a Lakota woman through rare archival material and an Indigenous style of circular storytelling.

Screening with

ABNORMAL FREEDOM

D: Kiyari Mcnab, Andrea Cessna | Canada | 7 min

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INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE THE AMERICAN MEME

D: Bert Marcus | USA | 94 min

In the age of social media mega-platforms, anyone can be famous, but take it from Paris Hilton, DJ Khaled, The Fat Jew and other internet celebs: maintaining the followers, attention and sponsorships is a full-time job that exacts a price.

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WORLD PREMIERE BARBARA RUBIN AND THE EXPLODING NY UNDERGROUND

D: Chuck Smith | USA | 78 min

With one radically experimental short film, a teenager upended NYC's underground film scene of the 1960s. She went on to introduce Andy Warhol to Lou Reed, Bob Dylan to Kabbalah, and bewitch Allen Ginsberg-all before her mysterious death at age 35.

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WORLD PREMIERE I USED TO BE NORMAL: A BOYBAND FANGIRL STORY D: Jessica Leski | Australia | 96 min 🖸

From the Beatles to the Backstreet Boys, One Direction to Take That, three generations of zealous boyband fans reflect on the objects of their obsessions and explore how the thrills, fantasies and roller-coaster emotions of fandom

have changed and challenged their lives.

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NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE **OBSCURO BARROCO**

D: Evangelia Kranioti | France, Greece | 60 min

In this impressionist, mesmerizing audiovisual poem, a Brazilian transgender icon guides us to the heart of Rio's festive nights, where the body-both personal and public-can reinvent itself through the ecstatic, metamorphic excesses of carnival.

Screening with PIRATE BOYS

D: Pol Merchan | Germany | 13 min

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D: Claire	Allore	Canada	111	min

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QUEERCORE: HOW TO PUNK A REVOLUTION

D: Yony Leyser | Germany | 80 min CC

In the pre-internet 1980s, Bruce LaBruce and G.B. Jones fabricated Toronto's "gueercore" scene out of thin air with homemade zines and filmsand ignited a radical subculture that spread around the world, challenging both mainstream gay and homophobic punk scenes.

Screening with

SONS OF THE WILD

D: Yannis Van de	en Ecker Belgiu	ım 14 min
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THE AMERICAN MEME

I USED TO BE NORMAL: A BOYBAND FANGIRL STORY



ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD D: Suzanne Crocker | Canada | 2014 | 52 min

A family disconnects from the modern world to reconnect with each other by relocating to an isolated cabin in the remote Canadian North spending nine winter months without electricity, running water or a trace of technology.

Screening with HARDWOOD D: Hubert Davis | Canada | 2004 | 30 min SAT, APR 28 12:30 PM TBLB

THE CORPORATION

D: Mark Achbar, Jennifer Abbott | Canada | 2003 | 145 min

Released years before Occupy Wall Street, this prescient doc examines the phenomenon of the corporation—a relatively new human invention that has become "all-pervasive, like the church, the monarchy and the communist party."

Screening with UNINTERRUPTED D: Nettie Wild | Canada | 2012 | 6 min FRI. MAY 4 10:00 AM TBLB

DEATH BY POPCORN: THE TRAGEDY OF THE WINNIPEG JETS D: Matthew Rankin, Mike Maryniuk, Walter Forsberg

Canada | 2006 | 65 min

You don't need to be a hockey fan to appreciate this found-footage doc on the downfall of the ill-fated Winnipeg Jets. Featuring cameos from all-stars Mark Messier and Wayne Gretzky, it's a post-mortem as heartbreaking as it is hilarious.

Screening with

WORLD FAMOUS GOPHER HOLE MUSEUM D: Chelsea McMullan, Doug Nayler | Canada | 2015 | 15 min FRI, APR 27 12:00 PM TBLB

MANUFACTURED LANDSCAPES D: Jennifer Baichwal | Canada | 2006 | 87 min

In this Genie Award–winner, Jennifer Baichwal explores the provocative and subtly political work of Canadian photographer Ed Burtynsky, whose complex artistic practice throws industrial wastelands and urban decay into beautiful relief.

SUN, MAY 6 3:30 PM TBLB

SHORTS PROGRAM: REDUX

Featuring past and present leading voices from Atlantic Canada, this shorts program showcases the eclectic visions and innovative techniques by which filmmakers have explored the lives and landscapes of Canada's eastern coast.

ACCORDING TO JOHN ACORN D: Jason Arsenault | Canada | 2003 | 22 min

BLACK MOTHER BLACK DAUGHTER D: Sylvia Hamilton, Claire Prieto | Canada | 1989 | 29 min

THE CHILDREN OF FOGO ISLAND

D: Colin Low | Canada | 1967 | 17 min

D: Amanda Dawn Christie | Canada | 2015 | 10 min

VIVE LA ROSE

D: Bruce Alcock | Canada | 2009 | 6 min FRI, APR 27 12:15 PM TBLB



THE CORPORATION



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D: Marie-Hélène Cousineau, Susan Avingaq | Canada | 2014 | 76 min

In this unflinching, award-winning interrogation of how an Igloolik performer and musician came to die in RCMP custody in 2012, one flashpoint death is set against a broader exploration of Nunavut's alarmingly high rates of suicide.

Screening with

INUIT HIGH KICK

D: Alethea Arnaquq-Baril | Canada | 2009 | 3 min SUN, MAY 6 12:15 PM TBLB

SPOON

D: Michka Saäl | Canada | 2015 | 65 min

In her signature lyrical style, the director explores her relationship with an incarcerated American writer serving a life sentence, whose poetry and prose measure the power of language and attempt to redefine time and reality.

Screening with

LOIN D'OÙ? (FAR FROM WHERE?) D: Michka Saäl | Canada | 1989 | 24 min SAT, MAY 5 12:15 PM TBLB

TWO WORLDS COLLIDING

D: Tasha Hubbard | Canada | 2004 | 49 min

In January 2000, two police officers leave an Indigenous man to die, stranded in -20°C temperatures. He survives—but a grisly pattern emerges. This inquiry into the infamous Saskatoon "freezing deaths" exposes systemic injustice in a fractured community.

Screening with

FIRST STORIES—TWO SPIRITED D: Sharon A. Desjarlais | Canada | 2007 | 6 min

and LIKE THE TREES D: Kathleen Shannon | Canada | 1974 | 14 min SUN, APR 29 11:45 AM TBLB



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A CONVERSATION WITH GREGORY PECK

D: Barbara Kopple | USA | 1999 | 97 min

Part of PBS's *American Masters* series, Kopple follows the legendary film star on a public speaking tour through the US as he looks back on his storied career and life and meets the Clintons, Martin Scorsese and more.

TUE, MAY 1 3:30 PM TBLB

DIXIE CHICKS: SHUT UP AND SING

D: Barbara Kopple, Cecilia Peck | USA | 2006 | 93 min

After the Dixie Chicks spoke out against the Iraq War in 2003, they faced terrifying threats, boycotts and blacklists from the right. Kopple tracks the shell-shocked group through the aftermath as they rebuild their lives and write their next album.

TUE, MAY 1 6:45 PM TBLB

HARLAN COUNTY, USA

D: Barbara Kopple | USA | 1976 | 104 min

Kopple was on the ground when miners in Harlan County, Kentucky, walked off the job to demand safer working conditions, and followed them and their families to picket lines, bargaining tables and hospital rooms in this canonical, Oscarwinning doc.

FRI, MAY 4 1:15 PM TBLB

MISS SHARON JONES!

D: Barbara Kopple | USA | 2015 | 94 min

The exclamation point says it all: Kopple's joyfully riotous doc about the late and legendary soul singer is a celebration of her music, talent and life, which was cut short by a three-year battle with pancreatic cancer.

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RUNNING FROM CRAZY

D: Barbara Kopple | USA | 2013 | 105 min

Go beyond the headlines and into the heart of one of America's best-known families: the Hemingways. Kopple probes the family's bleak history of mental illness, suicide and alcoholism through the life of Mariel, the celebrated author's granddaughter.

RUNNING FROM CRAZY

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SPECIAL SCREENING

D: Barbara Kopple

Join Barbara Kopple for a free onstage talk (p. 6) before this special surprise screening of a film selected by the filmmaker herself. One of Kopple's rarely seen, mid-career masterpieces, it crosses generations with music to electrify your soul.

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HARLAN COUNTY, USA

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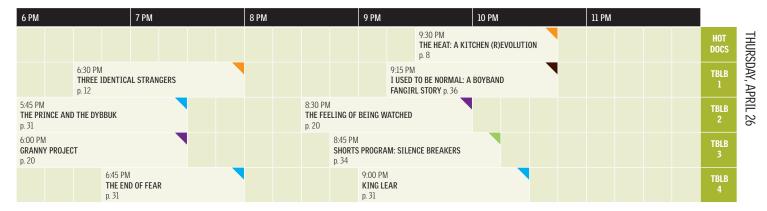
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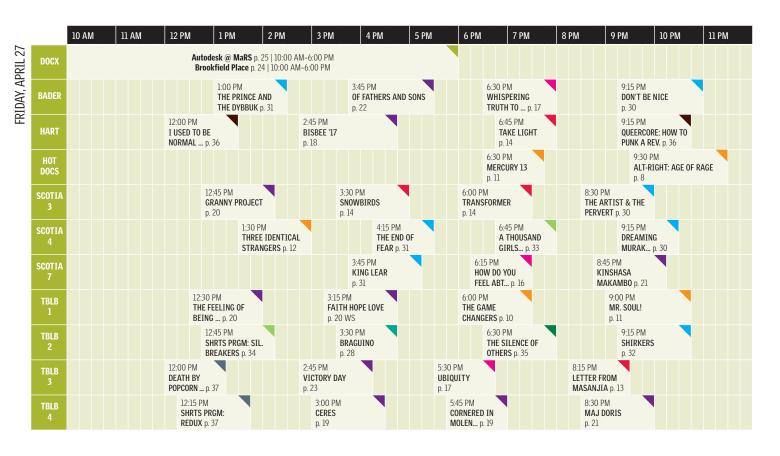


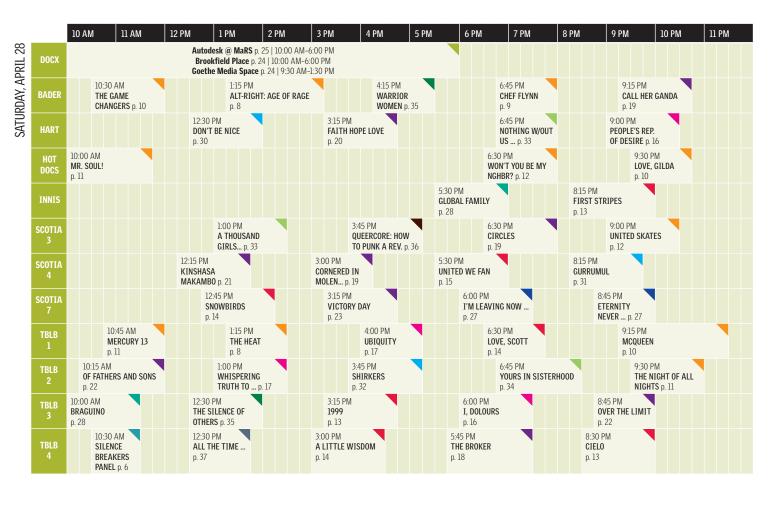
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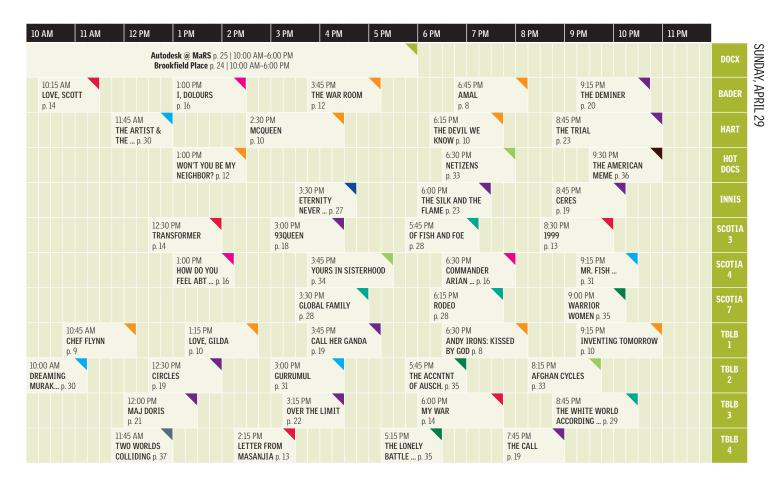
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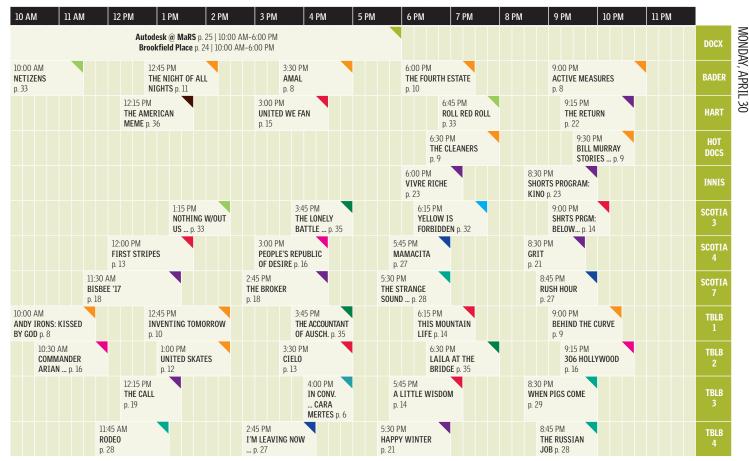


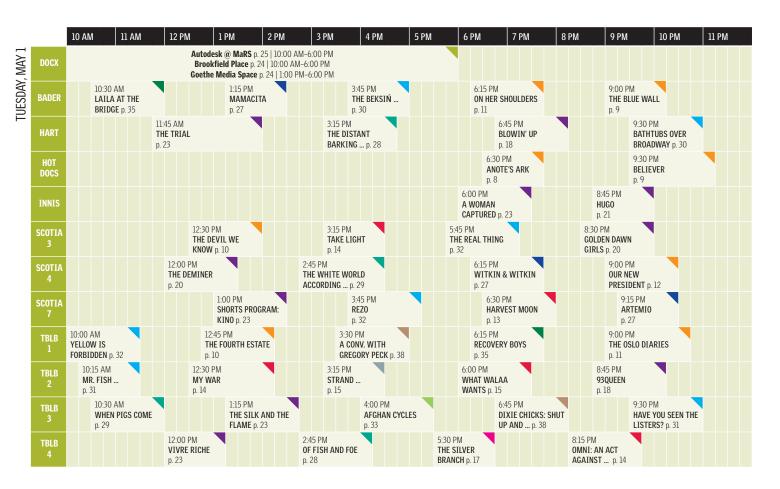
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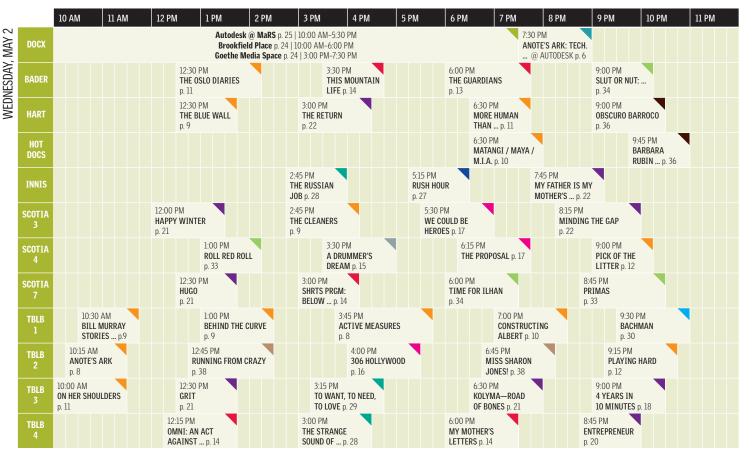


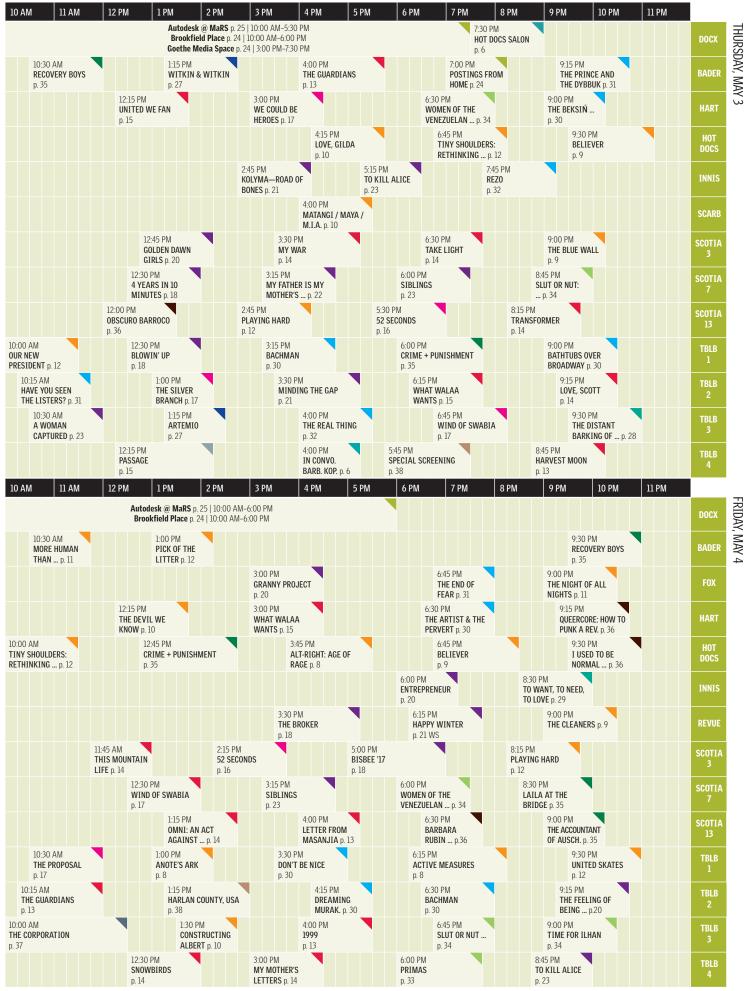




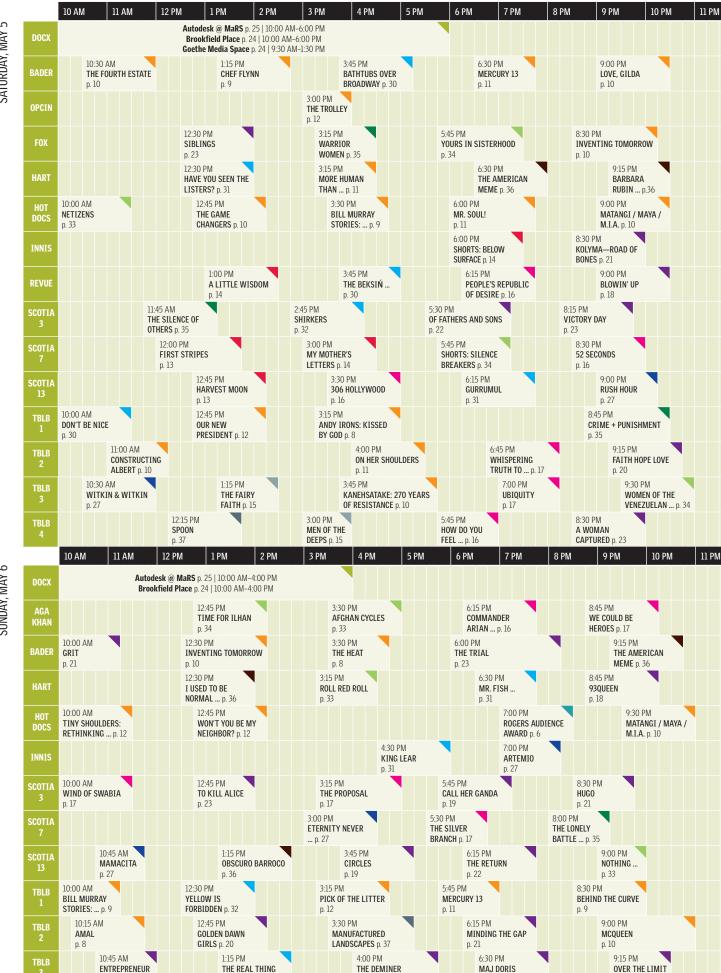








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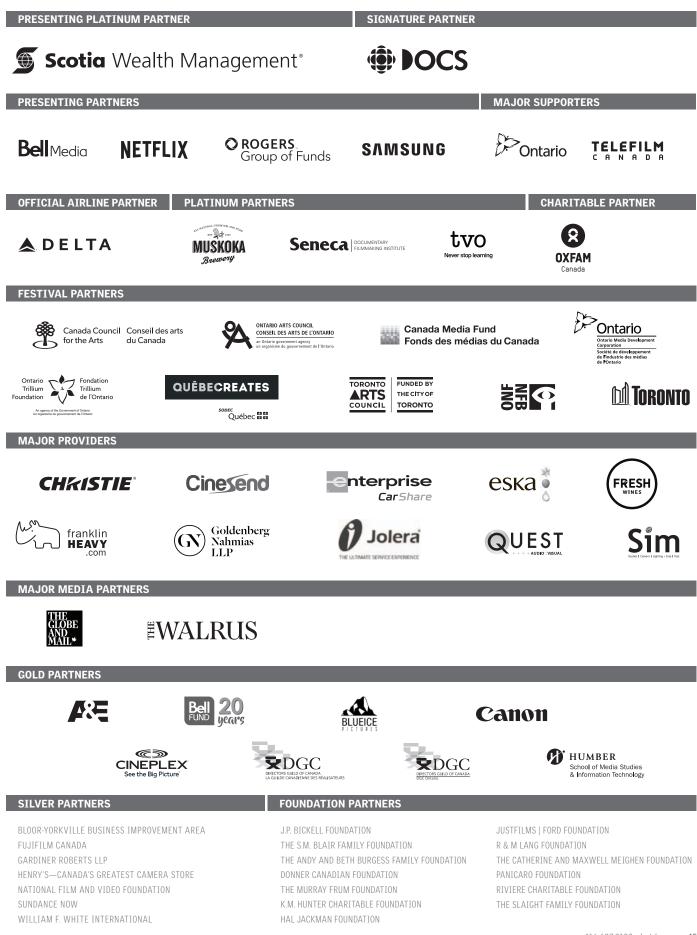
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