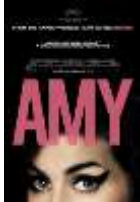


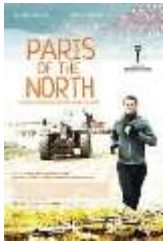
Which films are sizzling hot at the 2015 Annual Gimli Film Festival?

(Winnipeg, Manitoba; July 17, 2015) – With the 15th Annual Gimli Film Festival fast approaching, it's time to take note of which films are attracting 'star attention'—at our own Box Office, as well as venues abroad.



1. Amy This 2015 British documentary, directed by Asif Kapadia, depicts the life and death of singer-songwriter Amy Winehouse. Sad, riveting, and brutally honest, the film examines the complex balance between art and celebrity – which in Winehouse's case, ended in a lethal spiral of addiction. In the UK, Kapadia's study of the late singer has charted the highest ever box office for a homegrown non-fiction film.

2. Don Hertzfeldt Retrospective American animator Don Hertzfeldt has developed a loyal cult following for his hilarious stick figure animations, which often investigate surrealist and existentialist philosophies. This collection of Hertzfeldt shorts includes his brand new film 'World of Tomorrow' which won the Grand Jury Prize for Short Film at Sundance 2015. Hertzfeldt's films have been described as "some of the most vital and expressive animation of the millennium."



3. Paris of the North Part of this year's Icelandic Film Series, *Paris of the North* is director Hafsteinn Gunnar's second feature film. Set in the harshly beautiful landscape of northwest Iceland, this comedy drama reveals a strained relationship which enfolds between father and son in a claustrophobically tiny fishing village. Selected as "Variety's Ten European Directors to Watch" in 2012, Gunnar brilliantly paints a picture of forced shared-isolation.

4. Iris The last film produced by legendary documentarian Albert Maysles, *Iris* examines the life of Iris Apfel, the quick-witted, flamboyantly dressed 93-year-old style maven who has had an outsized presence on the New York fashion scene for decades. Far beyond just a fashion film, this documentary touches on the power of creativity and how, even at Iris' advanced age, her soaring free spirit inspires thousands. Apfel declares: "I don't have any rules because I would only be breaking them...so it's a waste of time."



5. Red Army From Oscar® nominated and Emmy award-winning filmmakers, *Red Army* is a feature documentary about the Soviet Union and the most successful dynasty in sports history: the Red Army hockey team. Told from the perspective of its captain Slava Fetisov, the story portrays one man who stood up to a powerful system, going from national hero to political enemy. Saturday's screening of *Red Army* will be followed by Q&A with former professional hockey players Ted Irvine (New York Rangers), Bobby Leiter (Boston/Atlanta) and Ken Stephanson (Team Canada/ Winnipeg Jets).

GFF FILMS SELLING OUT!

Sales at the GFF Box Office have been brisk with the following shows sold-out of advanced tickets:

She's Beautiful When She's Angry – Sun, July 26, 10 am
Iris – Thurs, July 23, 3 pm
Welcome To Me – Fri, July 24, 12:30 pm
Slow West – Thurs, July 23, 8 pm
Cameleon – Fri, July 24, 8 pm
Iris – Sat, July 25, 3 pm
Life in a Fish Bowl – Thurs, July 23, 12:30 pm
Welcome To Me – Thurs, July 23, 5:30 pm
And We Were Young – Fri, July 24, 10 am
Iris – Sun, July 26, 8 pm
How To Change The World – Sat, July 25, 10 am

Remember, 50% of seats on all shows are available as 'walk up', available on a first come first served basis at the door after ticket holders are seated. The other 50% of tickets to all films are sold as advance ticket sales, up to 5 pm the day before the screening.

The full 2015 Gimli Film Festival Schedule is available online at www.gimlifilm.com or on the GFF APP.

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