

The 18th Gimli Film Festival runs July 25 - 29, 2018



GIMLI FILM FESTIVAL SEES HIGH ATTENDANCE GOING INTO THE WEEKEND

Gimli – July 27, 2018- Day two of the Gimli Film Festival saw five screenings sell out of pre-reserved tickets and the RBC Sunset Screening of cult classic, *Phantom of the Paradise*, was a hit on the beach. Film fans packed the beach on a beautiful moonlit evening. GFF looks forward to continuing the momentum into day three.

Today, film fans can enjoy the Above the Line workshop with Rebecca Gibson, Doc Day Afternoon presented by DOC Manitoba and a panel discussion presented by Women in View along with film screenings at four indoor venues. But first, the day kicks off with The Future is Female* Mentorship program. Forty-five emerging women filmmakers, producers, writers, and creatives are being transported from Winnipeg to Gimli on a bus to participate in day of mentorship, workshops and empowerment at the Festival. This program is part of GFF's initiative to bolster women-driven cinema.

Participants will start their day at the Festival with Rebecca Gibson's Above the Line workshop, a two-hour intensive session that covers all the key elements to producing a film – from the pitch to distribution. This workshop is open to all film fans for \$10 and is free to Super Pass and Filmmaker Pass holders.

At 5:30 p.m., The Future is Female* participants will attend the Women in View Panel Discussion hosted by Women in View executive director Jill Golick. The panel is free and will discuss the importance of women-centric media and filmmaking. In between both events, participants will attend screenings of their choosing.

From 12:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. DOC Manitoba presents DOC Day Afternoon, an afternoon to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Documentary Organization of Canada with a retrospective of classic Manitoba-made short and feature documentaries. At 3 p.m., this series will showcase two films by Elise Swerhone, this year's Jack Clements "Livin' the Dream" award recipient. This award celebrates Swerhone's outstanding and long-standing contributions to the Manitoba film industry.

Today's screenings start at 10 a.m. with *Custody (Jusqu'a la Garde)*, the tale of a bitter divorce couple and their custody battle over a child. This French film is directed by Xavier Legrand and will screen again on Saturday.

The Canadian premiere of *Before Anything You Say* screens at 10 a.m. with director Shelagh Carter in attendance. This film follows married couple Isobel and Jack as they attempt to keep their lives and love going in Paris when a job offer threatens to take Jack away to Bangkok for five years.

At 3 p.m. the documentary *Roll Red Roll*, screens at the Gimli Lutheran Church theatre. This documentary directed by Nancy Schwartzman follows the rape of a girl in a small town in Ohio. The rape was committed by members of the towns beloved football team and hidden under a veil of silence until a blogger exposes the truth. The documentary examines rape culture and the toxic nature of social media.

Tonight, there is a 10 p.m. screening of the documentary *Tales from the Winnipeg Film Group* with co-director Dave Barber in attendance. This documentary examines the beginnings of what is now one of the most highly respected film centres in Canada. It is packed with archival footage, exclusive interviews and film excerpts!

Tonight kicks-offs the Festival's RBC Beach Boardwalk before the RBC Sunset Screening double feature of *Dazed and Confused* and *The Big Lebowski*. The boardwalk will host games, activities, giveaways and a GFF merchandise table starting at 7:30 p.m. *Dazed and Confused* will start at 10 p.m. followed by *The Big Lebowski* at midnight.

The RBC Beach Boardwalk will be back again tomorrow before the screening of family-classic, *Stand By Me*.

Friday Films

Custody (Jusqu'a la Garde)

July 27, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 11:33 a.m.
Gimli Theatre

From Seed to Seed

July 27, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 11:26 a.m.
Gimli Lutheran Church Theatre

Before Anything You Say

July 27, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 11:01 a.m.
Aspire Theatre (Gimli Unitarian Church)

Aboard the Namao

July 27, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 11:03 a.m.
Lady of The Lake Theatre

Minding the Gap

July 27, 2018 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:10 p.m.
Gimli Lutheran Church Theatre

Ava

July 27, 2018 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:13 p.m.
Aspire Theatre (Gimli Unitarian Church)

Sorry to Bother You

July 27, 2018 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Gimli Theatre

DOC35 | Fat Chance

July 27, 2018 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:42 p.m.
Lady of The Lake Theatre

Roll Red Roll

July 27, 2018 from 3 p.m. to 4:20 p.m.
Gimli Lutheran Church Theatre

What Walaa Wants

July 27, 2018 from 3 p.m. to 4:29 p.m.
Aspire Theatre (Gimli Unitarian Church)

DOC35 | Two Films by Elise Swerhone

July 27, 2018 from 3 p.m. to 4:26 p.m.
Lady of The Lake Theatre

Transformer

July 27, 2018 from 3 p.m. to 4:17 p.m.
Gimli Theatre

The Swan (Svannurin)

July 27, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:01 p.m.
Gimli Lutheran Church Theatre

Shirkers

July 27, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:08 p.m.
Aspire Theatre (Gimli Unitarian Church)

Three Identical Strangers

July 27, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:08 p.m.
Gimli Theatre

DOC35 | The Way Things Were // Classic Short MB Docs

July 27, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:44 p.m.
Lady of The Lake Theatre

Sweet Country

July 27, 2018 from 8 p.m. to 9:53 p.m.
Aspire Theatre (Gimli Unitarian Church)

The Miseducation of Cameron Post

July 27, 2018 from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Gimli Lutheran Church Theatre

Never Steady, Never Still

July 27, 2018 from 8 p.m. to 9:52 p.m.
Lady of The Lake Theatre

The Rider

July 27, 2018 from 8 p.m. to 9:44 p.m.
Gimli Theatre

Tales from the Winnipeg Film Group

July 27, 2018 from 10 p.m. to 11:20 p.m.
Gimli Lutheran Church Theatre

Dazed and Confused

July 27, 2018 from 10 p.m. to 11:45 p.m.
Gimli Beach - RBC Sunset Screenings

Terror Nullius

July 27, 2018 from 10 p.m. to 10:57 p.m.
Aspire Theatre (Gimli Unitarian Church)

Scotty and the Secret History of Hollywood

July 27, 2018 from 10 p.m. to 11:38 p.m.
Lady of The Lake Theatre

The Big Lebowski

July 27, 2018 from 11:45 p.m. to 1:42 a.m.

Gimli Beach - RBC Sunset Screenings

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Access to all films plus special events.

Film Pass - \$80

Access to films only.

Filmmakers Pass - \$90

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Individual Film Tickets - \$10

You can purchase your pass online at gimlifilm.com/passes

GFF Box Office:

The Box Office is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until the end of the Festival.

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