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# VENICE TORONTO SAN SEBASTIAN

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# **OFFICIAL SELECTIONS**



# **SIDDHARTH**

**Directed by Richie Mehta** 

Canada, India / 2013 / 96' / Hindi / Drama

Official Selection: Venice Days, Venice; Contemporary World Cinema, Toronto

Cast: Rajesh Tailang, Tannishtha Chatterjee, Anurag Arora, Geeta Agrawal Sharma, Naseeruddin Shah

VENICE DAYS WORLD PREMIERE

TORONTO
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## Synopsis:

Mahendra, a down on his luck chain- wallah (a destitute worker who fixes broken zippers on the street) pulls his twelve year old son Siddharth out of school and sends him to Delhi to illegally work in a factory in order to help support the family. When Siddharth fails to return home some weeks later, his anxious parents fear that he may have been taken by child-traffickers. Increasingly worried and desperate but with little money, few resources, and no connections, Mahendra embarks on a quest across India to find his son. In this heart wrenching tale that shows that a parents' love for their child is beyond the bounds of country, culture, circumstances or economics, we join in the pursuit, hoping beyond hope that whatever has befallen Siddharth, he will return unharmed.

#### **SCREENINGS IN VENICE**

Sep 2, Mon, 9.00 am, Sala Casinò (P&I) Sep 6, Fri, 4.30 pm, Sala Darsena (World Premiere) Sep 7, Sat, 5.00 pm, Sala Volpi (Public)

#### **SCREENINGS IN TORONTO**

Sep 6, Fri, 2.45 pm, Scotiabank Theatre 13 (P&I) Sep 10, Tue, 8.30 am, Scotiabank Theatre 8 (P&I) Sep 10, Tue, 5.00 pm, Elgin/Winter Garden Theatres (N. American Premiere)

Sep 12, Thu, 12.00 pm, TIFF Bell Lightbox Cinema 1 (Public)



# **RIGOR MORTIS [Geung Si]**

**Directed by Juno Mak** 

Hong Kong / 2013 / 101' / Cantonese / Action, Horror, Drama **Official Selection:** Venice Days; Midnight Madness, Toronto

Cast: Chin Siu-Ho, Kara Wai, Nina Paw, Antony "Friend" Chan, Lo Hoi Pang, Richard Ng, Chung Fat

VENICE DAYS WORLD PREMIERE

**TORONTO**N. AMERICAN PREMIERE

# Synopsis:

In this eerie and chilling, contemporary, action/special effects laden homage to the classic Chinese vampire movies of the 1980's, writer-director-producer, Juno Mak makes his feature directorial debut. Co-produced by J-Horror icon Takashi Shimizu, and reuniting some of the original cast members of the classic Mr. Vampire series, RIGOR MORTIS is set in a creepy and moody Hong Kong public housing tower whose occupants we soon discover, run the gamut from the living to the dead, to the undead, along with ghosts, vampires and zombies.

## **SCREENINGS IN VENICE**

Aug 30, Fri, 9.00 am, Sala Casinò (P&I) Sep 4, Wed, 4.30 pm, Sala Darsena (World Premiere)

## **SCREENINGS IN TORONTO**

Sep 6, Fri, 4.30 pm, Scotiabank Theatre 7 **(P&I)**Sep 11, Wed, 6.30 pm, Scotiabank Theatre 6 **(P&I)**Sep 11, Wed, 11.59 pm, Ryerson Theatre (N. American Premiere)
Sep 12, Thu, 12.45 pm, TIFF Bell Lightbox Cinema 2 **(Public)** 

Sep 13, Fri, 6.00 pm, Scotiabank Theatre 9 (Public)



# **BORGMAN**

# **TORONTO**N. AMERICAN PREMIERE

# **Directed by Alex van Warmerdam**

The Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark / 2013 / 113' / Dutch / Drama Official Selection: Vanguard, Toronto; Competition, Cannes 2013 Cast: Jan Bijvoet, Hadewych Minis, Jeroen Perceval, Sara Hjort Ditlevsen

#### Synopsis:

Borgman's arrival in the tree-lined avenues of an exclusive residential area is the beginning of a series of unsettling events around the carefully constructed facade of a wealthy couple, their three children and their nanny.

## **SCREENINGS IN TORONTO**

Sep 5, Thu, 12.30 pm, Scotiabank Theatre 14 **(P&I)** Sep 11, Wed, 9.00 pm, Scotiabank Theatre 1 **(N. American Premiere)** Sep 12, Thu, 3.00 pm, The Bloor Hot Docs Cinema **(Public)** 



# **FINAL RECIPE**

SAN SEBASTIAN WORLD PREMIERE

# **Directed by Gina Kim**

South Korea / 2013 / 98' / English / Drama

Official Selection: opening Culinary Zinema: Film and Gastronomy, San Sebastian

Cast: Michelle Yeoh, Henry Lau, Chin Han

#### Synopsis:

Once a famous chef, Hao's Chinese restaurant is now an unpopular destination. He despises the fact that people nowadays do not respect traditional dishes and he has become a bitter old man. Hao's only hope is that his grandson Mark enters a prestigious university, but Mark's dream is to follow his grandfather's footsteps and become a chef.

Hao's restaurant is on the verge of bankruptcy and he finally collapses. In order to save the restaurant, Mark enters a TV cooking contest in Shanghai, called Final Recipe. He competes against talented young chefs from around the region and freely shows off ravishing cooking skills that he has accumulated from his grandfather over the years. Meanwhile, contest producer Julia (Michelle Yeoh) hopes that her husband and world-renowned chef David (Chin Han) enters the contest and rediscovers his love for cooking. As Mark wins round after round and gains attention, Julia slowly realizes that Mark and her husband David shares a secret that they don't yet know.

**SCREENINGS IN SAN SEBASTIAN to be announced** 

# **UPCOMING FILMS**



# **DRIVING BACK FROM DUBBO**

# **Directed by Sue Brooks**

Australia / English / Coming of Age

Status: Pre-production

Cast: Sam Neill, Miranda Otto, Richard Roxburgh

#### Synopsis:

Cassie, a free spirited fifteen year old, runs away with her best friend. Her parents Denise and Dan enlist the help of an aging private detective to find their daughter. But life is unraveling faster than anyone can put it back together. A wry drama about lies, secrets, grief and love.



# HOW TO TALK TO GIRLS AT PARTIES

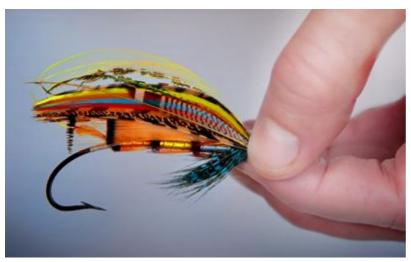
## **Directed by John Cameron Mitchell**

USA / English / Romance, Sci-Fi, Music

Status: Pre-production

#### Synopsis:

Based on a science fiction short story by Neil Gaiman, HOW TO TALK TO GIRLS AT PARTIES is about a couple of British 1970s wannabe punk rocker teenage boys, Enn and Vic, who head to a party to meet girls, only to find that the girls there are much different than they could have ever imagined.



# KISS THE WATER

#### **Directed by Eric Steel**

USA / 2013 / 80' / English / Documentary

Status: Completed

Official Selection: Tribeca, Edinburgh, Woods Hole Cape Cod

### Synopsis:

In northern Scotland, Megan Boyd twirled bits of feather, fur, silver and gold into elaborate fishing flies -- at once miniature works of art and absolutely lethal. With breathtaking cinematography and expressive, hand painted animation, KISS THE WATER adheres to and escapes from traditional documentary form, spinning the facts and fictions of one woman's life into a stunning film about craft, devotion, love, and its illusions.



# **LOVE IS STRANGE**

### **Directed by Ira Sachs**

USA / 2014 / English / Drama

**Status:** In production

Cast: John Lithgow, Alfred Molina, Marisa Tomei

#### Synopsis:

After 28 years together, Ben and Jorge tie the knot in a City Hall wedding in lower Manhattan. On the return from their honeymoon, Ben gets fired from his longtime job. Suddenly, with no real savings to count on, the couple finds that they can't afford the rent on their small Chelsea apartment and married life is absolutely not what they expected it to be.



# **NED RIFLE**

### **Directed by Hal Hartley**

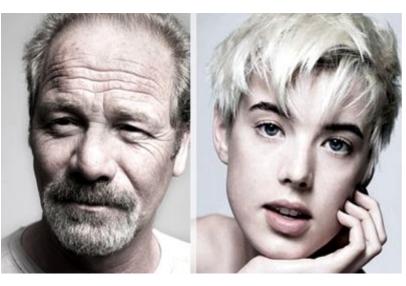
USA / English / Drama **Status:** Pre-production

Cast: Parker Posey, Liam Aiken, Thomas Jay Ryan,

James Urbaniak

#### Synopsis:

Henry and Fay's son, Ned, sets out to find and kill his father for destroying his mother's life. But his aims are frustrated by the troublesome, sexy, and hilarious Susan, whose connection to Henry predates even his arrival in the lives of the Grim family. A funny, sad, and sexy adventure, Ned Rifle is an intellectually stimulating and compassionate satire.



# **SUNSET SONG**

# **Directed by Terence Davies**

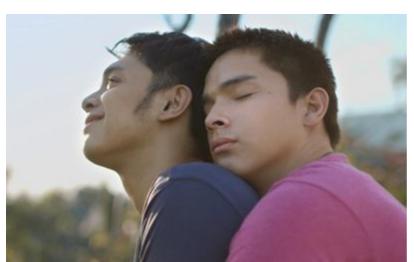
UK / English / Epic Drama **Status:** Pre-production

Based on the original novel by: Lewis Grassic Gibson

Cast: Peter Mullan, Agyness Deyn

#### Synopsis:

Set in the early 20th century, Chris Guthrie suddenly finds herself running the farm and raising her siblings after her mother's death and her father's incapacity. But when love comes to Chris she must send her man off to the Great War and manage the farm in a land about to be changed forever by the onset of technology and war.



# **UNFRIEND**

# **Directed by Joselito Altarejos**

Philippines / 2013 / 93' / Filipino / Queer Drama

Status: Completed

Cast: Sandino Martin, Angelo Ilagan, Boots Anson-Roa

#### Synopsis:

On Christmas Day, DAVID, 15, finds out that his boyfriend, JONATHAN, 17, has taken another lover. The discovery leads him on the brink of depression making him think of ways to get him back at all cost.

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