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- The second world exporter
- 15 Oscar winners and 3 Palme d’Or in the past 10 years
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TIFF HIGHLIGHTS

French cinema in perpetual motion

After a particularly strong year for French films at the Festival de Cannes, Toronto will once again open its doors to the eclectic creativity of French filmmakers, with a rich slate including 10 films that have already competed during this year’s Cannes Film Festival (including César racers: We Are grateful to the TIFF for showcasing the first time the originality of French TV series in its new PRIMA TV section, with the eagerly awaited second season of “The Returned”, clear evidence of the increasing cross-exposure between cinema and television today.

Wave after wave

This TIFF program stands out as proof that contemporary French cinema is in perpetual motion, reinventing itself, innovating and playing with the rules of genre, navigating between historical drama, comedy, the explicit and the experimental, being at once typically French and yet remote and unfamiliar.

Industriously, France continues to act a powerhouse for international coproductions and an artistic haven for foreign directors. We are proud of the dynamic filmmakers who are behind the recent works of masters such as Alexander Sokurov, Abbas Kiarostami and Patrice Guizard, as well as new names such as the Palestinian territories’ (MyFrenchFilmFestival.com).

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Promoting and subtitling French short films for theatrical release each year worldwide

Organizing “Rendez-vous with French Cinema”:

- Attending the most important international markets in Cannes, Berlin, Toronto, Hong Kong.
- Supporting international distributors for theatrical releases of French films.
- Promoting and subtitling French short films for theatrical release each year worldwide
- Providing more than 80 international film festivals with active support to French films (including Cannes, Berlin, Tokyo, Locarno, San Sebastián or Beijing).
- Organizing master classes with French talent in film schools and international universities worldwide.
- Promoting and qualifying French short films for film festivals, markets and online festivals.

As always we see ourselves stimulated by the unique sensibility that the French bring to their films. Grounded in reality they are not afraid of tackling difficult subjects and do so with a distinct storytelling style. There are some gutsy and controversial films in the selection this year, films that will challenge their audiences.

It’s a testament to the vitality and range of French cinema that we have found strong films to present in our Gala programme, our new juried Platform section, and throughout the Festival. We were also inspired by simply delivering strong films by women.

No genre and no border

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Attendees in Toronto

Alice Winocour(1), Catherine Corsini(2), Claire Denis(3), Claude Lelouch(4), Gary Siny(5), Diane Kruger(6), Elsa Zylberstein(7), Fabienne Berthoud(8), Gaspar Noé(9), Gilles Lellouche(10), Jacques Audiard(11), Jean Dujardin(12), Jean-Paul Rappeneau(13), Joachim Lafosse(14), Julie Delpy(15), Marine Vacth(16), Matthias Schoenaerts (17), Mathieu Amalric(18), Rachida Brakni(19), Thomas Bidegain(20)....

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Dheepan
Director: Jacques Audiard
Cast: Antonythasan Jesuthasan, Kalieaswari Srinivasan, Claudine Vinasithamby
Length: 110 min
International Sales: Celluloid Dreams in association with Wild Bunch
US distributor: IFC Films
Canadian distributor: Mongrel Media
To escape the civil war in Sri Lanka, a former soldier, a young woman and a little girl pose as a family. They end up settling in a housing project outside Paris. They barely know one another, but try to build a life together.

Disorder
Director: Alice Winocour
Cast: Diane Kruger, Matthias Schoenaerts
Length: 100 min
International Sales: Indie Sales
US distributor: IFC Films
Canadian distributor: Soda Pictures
09/13 12:00PM (P&I/V1), 09/17 9:30PM (PS/V8), 09/18 3:00PM (PS/V3)
In the presence of Alice Winocour, Matthias Schoenaerts, Diane Kruger

Les Cowboys
Director: Thomas Bidegain
Cast: François Damiens, Finnegan Oldfield, Agathe Dronne
Length: 114 min
International Sales: Pathé International
US distributor: Cohen Media Group
Country and Western enthusiast Alain is enjoying an outdoor gathering of fellow devotees with his wife and teenage children when his daughter abruptly vanishes. Learning that she’s eloped with her Muslim boyfriend, he embarks on an increasingly obsessive quest to track her down. As the years pass and the trail grows cold, Alain sacrifices everything, while drafting his son into his efforts.

À peine j’ouvre les yeux
Director: Leyla Bouzid
Cast: Baya Medhaffer, Ghalia Benali, Montassar Ayari, Aymen Omrani, Lassaad Jamoussi
Length: 102 min
International Sales: Doc & Film International
Tunis, Summer 2010, a few months before the Revolution: Farah, 18 years-old, has just graduated and her family already sees her as a future doctor. But she doesn’t think the same way. She sings in a political rock band. She has a passion for life, gets drunk, discovers love and her city by night against the will of her mother Hayet, who knows Tunisia and its dangers too well.
French Blood
Un Français

Director: Thierry Frémaux
Cast: Gael Garcia Bernal, Denis Lavant, Daniel Fanego, Ingrid Arias, Sofia Brito, Daniel Fanego, Sofía Brito, with the special appearance of Miguel Angel Solá
Length: 90 min
International Sales: Sales Force
In the presence of Diastème, Alban Lenoir

It's the story of a Frenchman, born in 1965, on the outskirts of Paris. The story of a skinhead, who hates Arabs, Jews, blacks, communists and gays. An anger that will take thirty years to die out. An bastard, who will take thirty years to become someone else. And he will never forgive himself for it.

Evolution
La Véritable Vie de François

Director: Lucie Hadzihalilovic
Cast: Max Brebant, Roxane Duran, Julie-Marie Parmentier
Length: 81 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch

On a remote island inhabited solely by women and young boys, Nicolas (10) and the other boys are subjected to mysterious and sinister medical treatments.

The Fear
La Peur

Director: Damien Odoul
Cast: Nino Rocher, Pierre Martial Gaillard, Théo Chazal, Eliott Margueron
Length: 93 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch

Gabriel, an introverted young man, finds terror and appalling carnage in the hell on earth of the trenches between 1914 and 1918. At the end of his horrifying interior journey through the conflict – full of sound, fury and blood – he will discover his own humanity. One hundred years after the First World War, Damien Odoul plunges the spectator into the very heart of the trenches to deliver a portrait of a soldier as powerful and harrowing as it is universal.

Francofonia

Director: Alexandre Desplat
Cast: Louis de Funès, Xavier Beauvois, Benjamin Leterrier
Length: 90 min
International Sales: Films Boutique
Canadian distributor: Films We Like

Francofonia is the story of two remarkable men, Louvre director Jacques Jaujard and Nazi Occupation officer Count Wolff-Metternich – enemies then collaborators – whose alliance would be driving force behind preservation of museum treasures. "Francofonia" explores the relationship between art and power, the Louvre museum as a living example of civilization, and what art tells us about ourselves even in the midst of one of the bloodiest conflicts the world has ever seen.

Families
Belles Familles

Director: Jean-Paul Rappeneau
Cast: Mathieu Amalric, Marine Vacth, Gilles Lellouche
Length: 113 min
International Sales: TF1 International

Jerome Varenne lives in Shanghai. During a quick trip to Paris, he learns that his childhood home in the village of Ambray is at the center of a local conflict. He heads there to straighten things out. This escapade will change his life forever…

Eva Doesn’t Sleep
Eva Ne Meurt Pas

Director: Christophe Honoré
Cast: Marie Augier, Rosine Delamare, Julie Marie Parmentier
Length: 88 min
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In The Shadow Of Women
L’ombre des femmes
Director: Philippe Garrel
Cast: Clotilde Courau, Stanislas Merhar, Lena Paugam
Length: 75 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch
US distributor: FunFilm Distribution
Canadian distributor: Full Distribution
International Sales: Wild Bunch
Pierre and Manon make low budget documentaries and live off odd jobs. When Pierre meets a young trainee, Elisabeth, she becomes his mistress. But Pierre doesn’t want to leave Manon – he wants to keep both women. Elisabeth discovers that Manon has a lover, and tells Pierre. Pierre returns to Manon, the woman he truly loves. Feeling betrayed, he keeps her, neglecting Elisabeth...

Ixcanul Volcano
Director: Jayro Bustamante
Cast: María Mercedes Coroy, María Telón, Manuel Antonio, Justo Lorenzo, Marvin Coroy
Length: 91 min
International Sales: Film Factory Entertainment
US Distributor: Kino Lorber
Canadian distributor: Kino Lorber
Length: 94 min
International Sales: Films Distribution
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Ephraim is a young Ethiopian boy. His father leaves him and his sheep, from which he is inseparable, to be looked after by distant relatives, far from his drought-ridden homeland. Ephraim isn’t very good at farming, but he has a hidden talent: he is an excellent cook. One day, his uncle tells him that they have to sacrifice his sheep for the next religious feast. The young boy, however, is ready to do anything to save his only friend and return home.

Je suis Charlie
Director: Daniel Leconte, Emmanuel Leconte
Length: 90 min
International Sales: Pyramide International
On the 7th of January 2015, French satirical weekly Charlie Hebdo was the victim of a terrorist attack that killed 12 people, including the greatest French cartoonists Cabu, Wolinski, Charb, Tignous and Honoré. The following day a policewoman was shot dead in the street. The 9th of January, another attack targeted French Jews. Four hostages were murdered. This film pays tribute to all these victims.

Hitchcock/Truffaut
Director: Kent Jones
Cast: Maria Mercedes Coroy, Maria Telón, Manuel Antonio, Justo Lorenzo, Marvin Coroy
Length: 90 min
International Sales: Film Factory Entertainment
US distributor: Kino Lorber
Canadian distributor: Kino Lorber
Maria, a young 17 year old Mayan girl, lives with her parents in a coffee plantation on the slopes of a volcano in Guatemala. Maria wants to escape her destiny: an arranged marriage that awaits her. The “big city” that she dreams of, will save her life, but at what price?

Let Them Come
Maintenant ils peuvent venir
Director: Salem Brahimi
Cast: Amazigh Kateb, Rachida Brakni
Length: 95 min
International Sales: KG Productions
A Mediterranean family chronicle stabbed by History. Yasmina and Nouredine under the pressures of an all mighty mother, of a country adrift, and of islamist barbarity.

Lamb
Director: Yared Zeleke
Cast: Rediat Amare, Kidist Siyum, Welela Assefa, Rahel Teshome
Length: 94 min
International Sales: Films Distribution
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In the presence of Salem Brahimi, Rachida Brakni

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FEATURES

PS Public screening | PS/Focus industry screening
Lolo
Director: Julie Delpy
Cast: Julie Delpy, Dany Boon, Vincent Lacoste, Karin Viard
Length: 97 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch
US Sales: CAA

Love
Director: Gaspar Noé
Cast: Karl Geffken, Aomi Muyock, Kika Markham
Length: 134 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch
US distributor: Alchemy
Canadian distributor: D Films

Mustang
Director: Deniz Gamze Ergüven
Cast: Prosper Groussier, Olivier Vranos, Vincent Loret, Djibril Yébé, Elia Batalia, Brahim Talian, Rasha Dridi
Length: 94 min
International Sales: Catchlight
US distributor: Cohen Media Group
Canadian distributor: Mongrel Media

Nasser: Egypt’s Modern Pharaohs
Director: Jordan El-Tahri
Length: 45 min
International Sales: Jihan El Tahri, Geneviève de Montgolfier
From king Farouk’s exile in 1952 to the flight of Hosni Mubarak in 2011, this two-part documentary revisits 60 years of Egypt’s recent history, through four of its recurring facets: the military, civil society, the Muslim Brotherhood and the country’s interactions with foreign powers. A discerning analysis incorporating never seen before archives, extracts from Egyptian films and footage, and interviews with prominent public figures.

The Other Side
Director: Roberto Minervini
Cast: Mark Kelley, Lisa Allen, James Lee Miller
Length: 92 min
International Sales: Doc & Films International
US/Canadian distributor: Film Movement

Much Loved
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Director: Fabienne Berthaud
Cast: Diane Kruger, Norman Reedus, Gilles Lellouche, Q’orianka Kilcher, Lena Dunham
Length: approx. 100 min
International Sales: The Bureau Sales

In the presence of Fabienne Berthaud, Diane Kruger, Norman Reedus, Gilles Lellouche

Story of Judas
Histoire de Judas
Director: Rabah Ameur-Zaïmeche
Cast: Nabil Djedouani, Mohamed Aroussi, Rabah Ameur-Zaïmeche, Marie Loustalot, Patricia Malvoisin, Eliott Khayat, Régis Laroche, Xavier Mussel, Roland Gervet, Nouari Nezar
Length: 99 min
International Sales: Sarrazink productions

In the presence of Rabah Ameur-Zaïmeche

After a long period of withdrawal, Jesus rejoins the members of his community, accompanied by his disciple and steward, Judas. His teaching astounds the crowds and attracts the attention of resistance groups, high priests and the Roman authorities. When he drives the merchants from the Temple, Judas shows himself to be the guardian of the words of the master…

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Rabin, The Last Day
Director: Amos Gitaï
Cast: Yitzhak Hiskiya, Yogev Yefet, Michael Warshaviak, Yael Abecassis, Tomer Sisley
Length: 153 min
International Sales: Indie Sales

On the evening of Saturday, November 4, 1995, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot down with three bullets by a Jewish law student at the end of a huge political rally in the center of Tel-Aviv. Twenty years have passed, the prospects of peace have vanished, as have vanished the nineties and their dream of normalcy. Through his film, Amos Gitaï will shed light on even leading up to Rabin’s murder.

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In the presence of Amos Gitaï

Parisienne
Peur de rien
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Length: 119 min
International Sales: Films Boutique

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The Pearl Button
Le Bouton de nacre
Director: Patricio Guzmán
Cast: Patricio Guzmán
Length: 82 min
International Sales: Pyramide International
US distributor: Kino Lorber
Canadian distributor: Aria Distribution

The Pearl Button is a story about water, the Cosmos, and us humans. It all starts with the discovery of two mysterious buttons deep in the Pacific Ocean, off the Chilean costs.

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Cast: Patricio Guzmán
Length: 82 min
International Sales: Pyramide International
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In the presence of Patricio Guzmán

Phantom Boy
Director: Jean-Loup Felicioli, Alain Gagnol
Voices: Audrey Tautou, Jean-Pierre Marielle, Edouard Baer, Gaspard Gagnol, Jackie Berroyer, Patrick Rémond
Length: 80 min
International Sales: Doc & Film International

Leo, an 11-year old boy from New York, can become invisible and fly through walls. He befriends Alex, a police officer temporarily stuck in a wheelchair. Alex was hurt by a mysterious gangster breaking the city with a dangerous computer virus. Together they form an extraordinary duo, with Leo in the air and Alex on the ground. They are forced to look after Alex’s, a willful journalist who goes in search of the dangerous criminal and whom Alex secretly has a crush on.

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Sky
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SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
Charming, successful, Antoine could be the hero of one of those films he composes the music for. When he leaves for a job in India, he meets Anna, a woman who isn’t like him at all, but who attracts him more than anything. Together, they are going to live an incredible journey…

Un plus une
Director: Claude Lelouch
Cast: Jean Dujardin, Elsa Zylberstein, Christopher Lambert, Alice Pol
Length: 115 min
International Sales: Mister Smith
09/11 8:00PM (PS/V9), 09/12 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/12 11:30AM (PS/V2), 09/16 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/19 12:30PM (PS/V9)

In the presence of Claude Lelouch, Jean Dujardin, Elsa Zylberstein

In the presence of Corneliu Porumboiu

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Features

Summertime La Belle Saison
Director: Catherine Corsini
Cast: Cáedil de France, Ismaël , Nolwenn Lecaye
Length: 96 min
International Sales: Pyramide International
1971. Delphine, the daughter of farmers, moves to Paris to break free from the shackles of her family and to gain her financial independence. Carole is a Parisian, living with Manuel, actively involved in the stirrings of the feminist movement. Their encounter turns their lives upside down.

17/09 3:30PM (P&I/V1), 18/09 10:00AM (P&I/V1), 18/09 11:45AM (PS/V2), 22/09 6:30PM (P&I/V1)

In the presence of Catherine Corsini

The Treasure Le Trésor
Director: Corneliu Porumboiu
Cast: Cătălin Tona, Adrian Purcarescu, Cornelia Cosmel, Cătălin Tona
Length: 87 min
International Sales: Wild Bunch
Costi leads a peaceful life: all right, he likes to read his 6-year-old son stories, to help him sleep. Their favourite is Robin Hood. Costi sees himself as the hero – righter of wrongs and defender of the oppressed. One evening, his neighbour pays him an unexpected visit and shares a secret: ‘there’s treasure buried in his grandparents’ garden, he’s sure of it. He’s on board. The two accomplices have one weekend to locate the loot. Despite every obstacle in their path, Costi refuses to be discouraged. For his wife and son, he’s a real hero: nothing and no one are going to stop him.

18/09 10:30PM (P&I/V1), 19/09 11:45AM (PS/V2), 19/09 1:40PM (P&I/V1), 19/09 3:30PM (P&I/V1), 20/09 10:30PM (P&I/V1)

In the presence of Cornelia Porumboiu

The White Knights Les Chevaliers blancs
Director: Joachim Lafosse
Cast: Vincent Lindon, Louise Bourgoin, Valérie Donzelli, Rougalta Bintou Saleh, Reda Kateb
Length: 112 min
International Sales: Indie Sales
Jacques Arnault, head of Solid Secours NGO, is planning a high-impact operation: he and his team are going to exfiltrate 300 orphans victims of Chadian civil war and bring them to French adoption applicants. Completely immersed in the brutality of reality of accounting at war, the NGO members start losing their convictions and are faced with the limits of humanitarian intervention.

22/09 3:30PM (P&I/V1), 22/09 10:30PM (P&I/V1), 23/09 4:00PM (PS/V2), 23/09 5:45PM (P&I/V1), 23/09 8:45PM (PS/V2)

In the presence of Joachim Lafosse, Rougalta Bintou Saleh (TBC)

The Returned Les Revenants
Director: Fabrice Gobert
Cast: Anne Consigny, Frédéric Pierrot, Céline Sallette, Clotilde Hesme, Ana Girardot…
Length: A 8 x 52 min episodes
International Sales: Zodiak Rights
US/Canadian distributor: Zodiak Rights
Six months have gone since the Returned gathered one night, before disappearing into the mountains. Since then, nothing has been heard of them.

09/13 3:45PM (5PS/V2), 09/14 6:30PM (PS/V2), 09/15 11:15AM (PS/V2), 09/18 6:30PM (P&I/V1), 09/19 5:45PM (PS/V2)

In the presence of Fabrice Gobert

In the presence of Corneliu Porumboiu

Adieu Philippine
Director: Jacques Rozier
Cast: Jean-Claude Aimini, Yveline Cery, Vittorio Caprioli
Length: 103 min
International Sales: Potemkine Films
1960. Michel is a young technician in the TV industry. He is due for military service in two months, in the midst of the Algerian War. He meets and seduces Juliette and Liliane, two aspiring actresses and inseparable friends. When he goes on a holiday to Corsica, just before being drafted, the girls decide to join him.

22/09 10:30PM (P&I/V1), 23/09 11:15AM (PS/V1), 23/09 1:45PM (P&I/V1), 23/09 3:30PM (P&I/V1), 23/09 5:45PM (PS/V2)

In the presence of Jacques Rozier

In the presence of Cornelia Porumboiu

In the presence of Joachim Lafosse, Rougalta Bintou Saleh (TBC)

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Actua 1
Director: Philippe Garrel
Length: 10 min
May 68 events seen through various 16 & 35mm shots, anonymous images made by young protesters who were filming during the night.
09/14 10:00PM (PS/V6)

A Few Seconds
Quelques secondes
Director: Nora El Hourch
Cast: Marie Tientem, Charlotte Baricco, Camille Lellouch, Marie CléÔ, Charlotte Vincent-Legay
Length: 16 min
International Sales: Agence du Court Métrage
The daily life of 5 girls living in a hosting center in Paris. All haunted by their heavy past (rape, violence, abandonment...), they even try to move forward. They all try to progress, except one: Sam.
09/14 10:00PM (PS/V6), 09/17 11:15AM (PS/V1), 09/20 6:00PM (PS/V1)

Maman(s)
Director: Maïmouna Doucouré
Cast: Sahina Diop, Mdoumna Gueye, Ada Diabaté, Marieme N’Diaye
Length: 21 min
International Sales: Agence du Court Métrage
The family of eight-year-old Aïda is thrown into chaos when her father returns from Senegal with young Rama, whom he introduces as his second wife. Aida may not exactly understand the details, but she understands that her mother is in deep distress, and that there seems to be but one way to make things better again.
09/13 10:00PM (PS/V1), 09/14 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/19 2:45PM (PS/V1)

New Eyes Une Femme
Director: Hiwot Admasu Getaneh
Cast: Selam Fikadu, Berite Eshetu, Surafel Tsegaye, Feven Teshome
Length: 12 min
International Sales: Agence du Court Métrage
In Ethiopia, near Addis Ababa, a girl who is in the transition of puberty encounters something that arouses her sexuality for the first time. She becomes restless as the day goes by in her oblivious semi-urban environment.
09/13 10:00PM (PS/V1), 09/14 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/19 2:45PM (PS/V1)

Occidente Occident
Director: Ana Vaz
Cast: Lis Andrade de Melo, María Cantero, Hugo Costa, Gabriela Abrantes, Alexandre Abrantes
Length: 13 min
A film-poem of an ecology of sings that speaks of a colonial history repeating itself. Subalterns become masters, antiques become reproducible dinner sets, exotic birds become luxury currency, exploration becomes extreme-sport-tourism, monuments become geo-data. A spherical voyage eastwards and westwards marking cycles of expansion in a struggle to find one’s place, one’s sitting around a table.
09/13 7:00PM (PS/V1), 09/14 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/19 12:45PM (PS/V1)

Peripheria
Director: David Coquard-Dassault
Length: 12 min
International Sales: Auteur du récit
A journey into the heart of a large and abandoned council estate. Peripheria portrays an urban environment becoming wild: a modern Pompeii where the wind blows and dogs roam, taking the remains of human life.
09/11 9:45PM (PS/V1), 09/12 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/18 6:00PM (PS/V1)

Wavelengths
09/13 7:30PM (PS/V6)
In the presence of Ana Vaz

In the presence of Maïmouna Doucouré

In the presence of Heul Admassu Selassie

SHORT FILMS
Researches of Betty, a French anthropologist, focus on Dakar-Djibouti Mission memory. In between IFAN Muséum in Dakar and Musée de l’Homme in Paris, the young woman improves some methods to closely achieve her goal: accuracy of scientific discourse. Michel Leiris’ diary, “Ghost Africa”, that he wrote during this mission, becomes the obsession of the researcher. Betty tries to find a way to find issues that could refer to national and international relations between people through objects and archives destiny.

Wavelengths

09/13 9:45PM (PS/V6), 09/16 11:30AM (P&I/V1), 09/16 12:45PM (PS/V6)
In the presence of Mathieu Kleyebe Abonnenc

Tuesday Mardi

Director: Ziya Demirel
Cast: Melis Balaban, Zeki Ocak, Yonca Hiç, Can Karaçaylı, Artun Özsemerciyan, Başar Sayın
Length: 12 min
International Sales: Origine Films
An ordinary school day for a teenage girl in Istanbul and her encounters with three different men as she goes to school, plays basketball and takes a bus on the way home.

09/16 4:54PM (PS/V1), 09/17 8:45AM (P&I/V1), 09/20 3:15PM (PS/V1)
In the presence of Ziya Demirel

Wellington Jr.

Director: Cécile Paysant
Length: 9 min 15
International Sales: La Fémis
For his tenth birthday, a child has to cross the family rite by hunting his first animal. While a friendly competition settles down between several families, the relation with his father hardens...

09/11 9:45PM (PS/V1), 09/12 9:00AM (P&I/V1), 09/18 2:45PM (PS/V1)

In the presence of Cécile Paysant

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In the presence of Thierry Koch
“Actrices” by Kate Barry

After its inaugural presentation at the Rome Film Festival and later in Florence, Italy; Taipei and Kaohsiung in Taiwan; and recently in mainland China and Croatia, the exhibition “Actresses” will be presented at the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) this year.

The exhibition comprises of 25 portraits of French actresses, from the most famous to the up-and-coming. These photographs with their indefinable, silent, and melancholic tones are also a tribute to the photographer, Kate Barry, who prematurely passed away in December 2013.

Kate Barry, daughter of actress and singer Jane Birkin and composer John Barry, started her photography career in 1996 at the age of 28. She has exhibited her work around the world, including Italy in 2006, Tokyo at the Mori Art Museum in 2010, and recently in China and Croatia.

Bell Blue Room, TIFF Bell Lightbox (3rd floor)

Shoot the Book

is an initiative led by SCELF (Société civile des Éditeurs de Langue française) and BIEF (Bureau international de l’Édition française). It is being organized by the Embassy of France to Canada, SCELF, and BIEF, with the support of Institut Français.

The project was first launched at Cannes Film Festival in 2014. This year, the Embassy of France to Canada took the initiative to organize a pitching session which will take place at the TIFF Bell Lightbox on Monday, September 14th, 2015, and 1:00pm. It will be followed by a cocktail reception and a networking session.

Monday September 14, 2015 at 1:00PM /
TIFF Bell Lightbox (level 6 - Malaparte)

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Talent Lab

is an artistic development programme organized by the TIFF, that provides emerging talent with unparalleled education experience and an introduction to the global community of filmmaking. Selected participants have the opportunity to interact with and learn from internationally acclaimed filmmakers. Haïwot Admasu Getaneh director of French film ‘New Eyes’ will be amongst the participants.

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