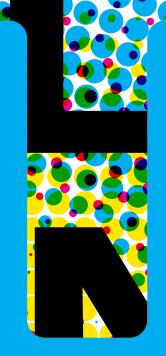


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#### MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER



At times it appears the world is moving faster and faster - maybe that's because it is. News stories are unfolding as they happen, with little care as to what is being said and why. As artists we must remember not to get caught up in that frenzied state of confusion. Ours jobs are to bring clarity. We must distance ourselves from this 'speed' and find prudence, temperance, fortitude, justice, humility, faith, and hope in our work. Speed is not the master of creativity. Our art must march to its own drummer, undisturbed by the chaos around it.

As artists we must think of how our stories elevate the consciousness of man and allow more of the *light* in the world to illuminate. Our stories should challenge us to expect more of ourselves and to live in the quiet contemplation of how we can bring more wisdom into our lives. Each time we create we must ask the question "is it more important to hear the sound of my own voice, even if it says nothing?".

FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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#### ABOUT THE FOUNDER

Tonya Williams is a multiple-award-winning actress, producer and the founder of the ReelWorld Film Festival, which she founded in 1999 to create a platform for racially diverse artists within the Arts Industry.

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Welcome to the 15th ReelWorld Film Festival

I'm excited to share another year of great films and industry panels with you.

Our ReelWorld programmers have brought together an amazing series of films, many of them by Canadian artists and ReelWorld Alumni. And, this year you can expect to experience the magic of film through the events our programmers have built around the screenings.

I want to thank our Founder Tonya Williams for her vision and leadership as well as our sponsors, funders, partners, staff and volunteers for making our 15th year possible. It's a fresh and exciting year for ReelWorld and I look forward to seeing you at the festival.

#### FESTIVAL CHAIR AND TREASURER

Moe Jiwan

CEO - Uptown Health Management Inc. Interim President - Toronto Film Festival Association



Thank you for supporting artists from our community.

With every ticket you buy, every festival pass you purchase and every ReelWorld event you attend, you are supporting the work of racially diverse artists. It's why ReelWorld was formed - to help bring colour to screens and to the industry, and more specifically, to help artists from our communities realize they have the opportunity and the know-how to tell their stories.

We've made significant progress in 15 years. At this festival, we screen five films by participants in our Indie Film Lounge training program: **Dowry** by Jag Parmar, Thyrone Tommy's Avalanche, Grandma Knows Best? by Tamara Dawit, Tamar Bird's **The Night Session** and **The Racist Neighbour** by Richard B. Pierre. Also, Lalita Krishna returns to ReelWorld with her documentary **LISTEN TO ME** as does RT! with his short, The Time Traveler.

This year, while you're making your film selections, I hope that you will make a point to see a few of these films. And again, thank you for choosing to support racially diverse artists.

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His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston

Congratulations to the ReelWorld Film Festival team on their 15th anniversary! I wish all moviegoers a superb experience!



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Her Excellency the Right Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell

Congratulations on 15 years of bringing diversity to our screens by supporting emerging and established filmmakers. Please continue!



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Kathleen Wynne

Welcome film lovers to the 15th Reelworld Film Festival! Celebrate the talent and stories that flourish in our province's multicultural landscape.



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The strength of Canadian culture lies in its diversity. Thanks to Reelworld Film for promoting and showcasing diversity in our industry!



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@ReelworldFilm is one of Ont's most dynamic film festivals, recognizing emerging & diverse talent. This year's film selection is a must see!



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Mayor John Tory

Wishing @ReelWorldFilm Festival a successful 15th year! Thank you for empowering filmmakers & showcasing diversity through film.



Looking forward to the 15th Annual ReelWorld Film Festival. Thanks Tonya Williams for bringing this to Markham.



OMDC is proud to sponsor the 15th ReelWorld Film Festival - changing how we perceive cinema through the unique lens of diversity.



**Heather Conway** 

Karen Thorne-Stone

CBC is honoured to support ReelWorld and celebrate its wonderful diversity of stories and filmmakers in this city and throughout the world.

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Nova Bhattacharva

Welcome to the 15th edition of the Reelworld Film Festival! Toronto Arts Council is proud to support this diverse and innovative festival.

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Carolle Brabant

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6:00pm | Industry Panel - Telefilm Case Study - Undone / Barbara Frum Atrium at CBC **TELEFILM** 

8:00pm | Industry Panel – ReelSpeak Melinda Shankar PRESENTED BY: ACTES / Barbara Frum Atrium at CBC



#### **WEDNESDAY. MARCH 4**

6:00pm | Opening Night Gala Screening – Finding Samuel Lowe: From Harlem to China – 88 min, Documentary /

Scotiabank Theatre 3 | PG. 16 | PRESENTED BY:

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 5

6:00pm | By Blood - 64 min, Documentary; PG. 18 The Racist Neighbour - 1 min 27 sec, Short / Scotiabank Theatre 5 | PG. 27

6:30pm | ACTRA Toronto YEAA Shorts 2015 / Scotiabank Theatre 14 | PG. 21

8:30pm | Dowry - 97 min PG. 20, Drama; NOBODY -18 min, Short / Scotiabank Theatre 5 | PG. 24

9:00pm | **A Few Cubic Meters of Love** – 90 min, Drama / Scotiabank Theatre 14 *PG.* 17

#### FRIDAY MARCH 6

6:00pm | Home Feeling: Stuggle For A Community - 58 min, Documentary PG. 22; Jennifer Hodge: The Glory And

**The Pain** -30 min, Short / Scotiabank Theatre 5 | PG. 23

6:15pm | **Turbulence** – 90 min, Drama / Scotiabank Theatre 14 | PG. 28

8:30pm | Shorts Program 1 (The Time Traveler PG. 27, Isaiah's Birthday PG. 22, RISE PG. 25, Entrain PG. 20, The Night

Session PG. 27, Sound of Tears PG. 25, Uprooted Generation PG. 29, An Honest Conversation PG. 18, Avalanche PG. 18) – 104 min / Scotiabank Theatre 14

9:00pm | Music Video Night Presented by TD Bank Group / Scotiabank Theatre 5 | PG. 30



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#### SATURDAY, MARCH 7

12:00pm | Québékoisie – 80 min, Documentary PG. 24; Uprooted Generation –10 min, Short / Scotiabank Theatre 5 | PG. 29

1:00pm | LISTEN TO ME - 42 min, Documentary PG. 23; Sound of Tears - 17 min, Short / Scotiabank Theatre 14 | PG. 25

2:00pm | Steps of Faith - 90 min, Drama / Scotiabank Theatre 5 | PG. 25 PRESENTED BY: eSKa \*

4:00pm | **PAN! Our Music Odyssey** – 80 min, Docu-drama / Scotiabank Theatre 14 | PG. 17

4:30pm | Shorts Program 2 (Grandma Knows Best? PG. 21, NOBODY PG. 24, Happy 1 Year PG. 22, Descendants of the Past, Ancestors of the Future PG. 19, Do Somethin', PG. 19 Every Monday PG. 20, The Hearing PG. 26, The Bravest, The Boldest PG. 26, The Racist Neighbour PG. 27) - 108 min / Scotiabank 5

7:30pm | Closing Night Gala - Traces of Sandalwood - 95 min, Drama / Scotiabank Theatre 14 | PG. 16 | PRESENTED BY: Global

## MARKHAM

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

1:00pm | Opening Film - **A Few Cubic Meters of Love** – 90 min, Drama / First Markham Place | PG. 17

1:30pm | **Treacherous Heart** – 90 min, Romantic Drama / First Markham Place | *PG. 28* 

3:30pm | Finding Samuel Lowe: From Harlem to China - 88 min, Documentary / First Markham Place | PG.16, Wherever You Go,

**There You Are** –2 min 56 sec, Short / First Markham Place | PG. 29

4:00pm | **Steps of Faith** – 90 min, Drama / First Markham Place | PG. 25

6:30pm | Closing Film - **Goli Soda** – 111 min, Action, Drama / First Markham Place | PG. 17

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7:00pm | Closing Film - **PAN! Our Music Odyssey** – 80 min, Docu-drama / First Markham Place | PG. 17

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- Buy online with a credit card by browsing our films or industry panels and clicking the 'Buy Tix' button. Show your purchase confirmation at our Box Offices to pick up your screening tickets.
- Join us at our Box Offices and pay cash for tickets and passes.

## PASSES AND TICKETS?

- Festival passes grant 1-person access to any ticketed event (excluding parties).
- People need an officially printed ticket in order to access films. Collect tickets at our Box Offices with your festival pass or online purchase confirmation.
- Show up at least 30 minutes prior to any event or screening to pick up your ticket and reserve your seat.
- Want to see a film but it's sold out? Our rush lines open on a first-come, first-serve basis approximately 10 minutes prior to the scheduled screening time.
- Films are rated by the Ontario Film Board, and are posted with details about each film on www.reelworld.ca
- · Lost or stolen tickets and passes will not be replaced.
- Passes are not transferable.





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## OPENING NIGHT GALA SCREENING: Wednesday, March 4, 2015 | 6PM

FINDING SAMUEL LOWE: FROM HARLEM TO CHINA

PRESENTED BY: TD

Three Black-Chinese siblings from Harlem embark on a quest to discover their heritage while searching for clues about their long-lost grandfather, Samuel Lowe. Their journey reunites them with the hundreds of Chinese relatives they never imagined existed.



Jeanette Kong is a Jamaican-born, Chinese-Canadian documentary filmmaker based in Toronto. *Finding Samuel Lowe* is her feature directorial debut. Her short documentaries *The Chiney Shop* and *Half: The Story of a Chinese-Jamaican* 

Son's were selected to commemorate the 160th Anniversary of the Arrival of the Chinese to Jamaica at the Institute of Jamaica. Kong has more than 17 years of media experience in Canadian public television and private production.

#### TORONTO PREMIERE

GENRE: Documentary
LANGUAGE: English, Chinese
COUNTRY: Canada, USA

LENGTH: 88 min

DIRECTOR: Jeanette Kong

**PRODUCERS:** Paula Williams Madison Jeanette Kong | Martin Proctor

PRINT SOURCE: ms.chinproductions@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Paula Williams Madison

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE



## CLOSING NIGHT GALA SCREENING: Saturday, March 7, 2015 | 7:30PM

TRACES OF SANDALWOOD

PRESENTED BY: Global

Pain is universal. But so is hope. Traces of Sandalwood is a story of how a successful Indian actress searches across Mumbai and Barcelona to find the sister who she was separated from.



Maria Ripoll studied directing and scriptwriting at UCLA and the American Film Institute in Los Angeles. Her first feature film *Lluvia en los zapatos*, released as *Twice Upon a Yesterdav* in the US, starred

Penélope Cruz and obtained the Grand Audience Award at the Sitges and Seattle Film Festivals, and was nominated for a Goya award for Best New Director.

#### ONTARIO PREMIERE

GENRE: Drama

LANGUAGE: English, Catalan with English Subtitles

COUNTRY: India / Spain / France

LENGTH: 95 min

DIRECTOR: Maria Ripoll

WRITER/PRODUCER: Anna Soler-Pont PRINT SOURCE: miguel.garcia@imagina.tv

PRINCIPAL CAST: Aina Clotet | Nandita Das | Naby Dakhli

Rosa Novell | Subodth Maskara

PROGRAMMED BY: CARTER BRUCE





## CLOSING FILM SCREENING: SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2015 | 6:30PM GOLI SODA



## CLOSING FILM SCREENING: SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2015 | 7PM Pan! Our Music Odyssey

ALSO SCREEING IN TORONTO: SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 4PM

A love story between a young Iranian and a young Afghan unfolds, the conclusion of which noone can foretell.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2015 | 1:00PM

A FEW CUBIC METERS OF LOVE

**OPENING FILM SCREENING:** 

ALSO SCREEING IN TORONTO: THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 9PM



Jamshid Mahmoudi was born in Parvan, Afghanistan. At barely one-year-old his family sought refuge in Pakistan and then in Iran. He developed his passion for cinema from a very

early age. A Few Cubic Meters of Love is his first feature film.

#### CANADIAN PREMIERE

GENRE: Drama

LANGUAGE: Persian with English Subtitles

COUNTRY: Iran / Afghanistan

LENGTH: 90 min

DIRECTOR / WRITER: Jamshid Mahmoudi

PRODUCER: Navid Mahmoudi

PRINT SOURCE: info@dreamlabfilms.com
PRINCIPAL CAST: Saed Soheili | Hassiba brahimi

Nader Fallah

PROGRAMMED BY: CARTER BRUCE

in society, unfolds in a series of surprising events.



S.D.Vijay Milton is an award-winning Indian cinematographer and director working in Tamil films. Over the course of his career he has worked on 22 films. notably *Azhagai* 

Irukkirai Bayamai Irukkirathu (2006) and Balaji Sakthivel's Vazhakku Enn 18/9.

The struggle and fight of four orphans (Pulli, Settu,

Kuttimani and Pandi) for their identity and respect

#### CANADIAN PREMIERE

GENRE: Drama

LANGUAGE: Tamil with English Subtitles

country: India FILM LENGTH: 124 min

 $\textbf{DIRECTOR / WRITER:} \ S.D. Vijay \ Milton$ 

PRODUCER: Mr. Bharath Seeni (Roughnote Productions)

PRINT SOURCE: bharathseeni@rediffmail.com
PRINCIPAL CAST: Dhinakaran Kishore | Sivaraman
Sriram | Adaikalavan Murugesh | Chinnaiya
Pandi | Baskaran Chandhini | Govindaraj Seetha

PROGRAMMED BY: CARTER BRUCE

**PAN!** Our Music Odyssey is an incredible story of the genesis of pan, a worldwide phenomenon that a group of urban street gangs started when they turned oil drums into tonal instruments and orchestras.



Jerome Guiot is the French winner of the 2014 best video at Victoire de la Musique with Formidable from rap artiste Stromae. He has created the

web documentary le Cheap Team as well as several others. His commercial work includes *Autisme*, *Leo les Profs Célèbres* and *The Voice Belgiue*.

NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE
GENRE: Docu-drama

LANGUAGE: English
COUNTRY: Trinidad and Tobago

LENGTH: 80 min

DIRECTOR: Jérôme Guiot WRITER: Kim Johnson

PRODUCERS: Jean Michel Gibert – Maturity
Productions | Barthélémy Fougea - WINDS

PRINT SOURCE: jmg@ritualsmusic.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Renaldo Fredrick | Zion Henry Khafra Rudder | Nickolai Salcedo | Kearn Samuel

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE





FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 8:30 PM AN HONEST CONVERSATION



FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 8:30 PM **AVALANCHE** 

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THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 6 PM BY BLOOD



THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 6:30 PM **CRIMSON DEFENDER VS** THE SLIGHTLY RACIST FAMILY

A superhero faces his toughest foe yet: racial



SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 4:30 PM DESCENDANTS OF THE PAST. ANCESTORS OF THE FUTURE



SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 4:30 PM DO SOMETHIN'



When facing a family crisis, a withdrawn father must come to terms with his estranged daughter.

After years of producing and directing

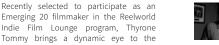
corporate videos for clients such as Royal

Bank, Children's Aid Foundation and John St

Advertising. **An Honest Conversation** is Tony

It all comes crumbling down as a young archer fights to avoid becoming the person he fears most - his abusive militant father.

By Blood chronicles Native Americans of African descent as they battle to regain their tribal citizenship.



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Marcos Barbery is a filmmaker and journalist whose work has been featured by Long Reads, and appeared in Salon, The Huffington Post, and This Land Press.



Sam Russell is a filmmaker and cinematographer who shoots films for PBS and its public-interest program Frontline.

CANADIAN PREMIERE

**GENRE**: Documentary LANGUAGE: English COUNTRY: USA LENGTH: 64 min

DIRECTORS: Marcos C. Barbery | Sam Russell

PRODUCER: Marcos C. Barbery

**PRINT SOURCE**: samuel.z.russell@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Theola Cudjo-Jones | Sylvia Davis, Marilyn Vann | David Cornsilk | Jon Velie

PROGRAMMED BY: WILLIAM YIH



Simu Liu is an actor living in Toronto. He has appeared in TV programs such as Nikita, Warehouse 13, Beauty and the Beast and Mayday. He will next be seen as a regular on

the OMNI miniseries Blood and Water.

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Comedy LANGUAGE: English country: Canada LENGTH: 10 min

DIRECTOR / WRITER: Simuliu PRODUCERS: Simu Liu | Loretta Yu PRINT SOURCE: sliu253@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Simu Liu | Robert Meynell Cat Hostick | Richard Young | Farid Yazdani

Owen Kwong

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS

Expecting a baby girl, Chinese-Canadian Director Albert M. Chan realizes he is desperate to understand how his immigrant mother (played by Golden Globe nominee Tina Chen) and grandfather spent most of their lives apart.



Albert M. Chan is a Chinese-Canadian actor and filmmaker whose films have been recognized by the National Film Board of

festivals on four continents.

GENRE: Drama country: Canada / USA LENGTH: 16 min. 18 sec. DIRECTOR/WRITER: Albert M. Chan

PRODUCERS: Aaron Howland | Seth Howland PRINT SOURCE: albert@chanalproductions.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Tina Chen (Golden Globe nominee)

Albert M. Chan

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

Doing the right thing means you've first got to step up and Do Somethin'.



Alexander Henry is currently pursuing a career as a director and working on his Bachelor of Applied Arts in Film and

CANADIAN PREMIERE GENRE: Drama country of origin: Canada

FILM: 3 min, 52 sec

DIRECTOR/WRITER/PRODUCER: Alexander Henry PRINT SOURCE: alex.henry274@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Sam Asante | Steve Kasan

Jean Barrett

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

Del Rio's first short film.

LENGTH: 8 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER/PRODUCER: Tony Del Rio PRINT SOURCE: tonydelrio@gmail.com

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Drama

country: Canada

PRINCIPAL CAST: Tanya Mok | Isai Rivera Blas

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

Canadian film scene.

Recently selected to participate as an Emerging 20 filmmaker in the Reelworld Indie Film Lounge program, Thyrone Tommy brings a dynamic eye to the

TORONTO PREMIERE GENRE: Drama country: Canada

LENGTH: 15 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER/PRODUCER: Thyrone Tommy **PRINT SOURCE**: thyronetommy@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Darius Fisher | JoJo Karume Nadeen Lightbody | Hunter Gibosk

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH



THURSDAY, MARCH 5 18:30 PM **DOWRY** 



FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 8:30 PM **ENTRAIN** 

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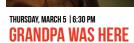














Two sisters from an underprivileged family, feud over one dowry while the family struggles to meet the demands of a wedding, bound by rigid traditions and challenged by western culture.



Parmar holds a masters degree in psychology. She is a screenwriter, director and founder of Inseyet Films. Parmar's short film Her Decision is currently used as an

educational tool by the United Nation's Mission in Sudan. She also produced Life Outside My Window. Both films have been featured on OMNI News.

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Drama country: Canada

LENGTH: 99 min. 28 sec DIRECTOR / WRITER: Jag Parmar

**PRODUCERS:** Inseyet Films in association with Reel

Flare Productions

PRINT SOURCE: insevetfilms@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Ana Sani | Shireen Hampton

Jasmine Sawant | Shruti Shah

PROGRAMMED BY: ROSANNA SHAMSHUDIN

Language barriers are broken when two strangers start drumming on the subway.



laine Poon and Adrien Benson are Torontobased filmmakers. Their work has been showcased in festivals all over the world. **Entrain** marks their first collaboration



GENRE: Drama country: Canada LENGTH: 6 min, 59 sec

**DIRECTORS**: Elaine Poon | Adrien Benson

**WRITER**: Adrien Benson

PRODUCERS: Farah Merani | Elaine Poon Adrien Benson | Sam Plante

**PRINT SOURCE**: entrainthemovie@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Jonathan Dubsky | Lindsay

Owen-Pierre

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

During a routine visit to his estranged grandfather's house, a young boy accidentally destroys a gift with which his mother intended to win grandfather back into her life.



Meelad Moaphi is a 27-year-old filmmaker based in Toronto, and of Iranian descent. Every Monday is his fourth short-film.

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**ONTARIO PREMIERE** 

GENRE: Drama country: Canada LENGTH: 17 min. 32 sec DIRECTOR/WRITER: Meelad Moaphi

PRODUCER: Clint Kendal

PRINT SOURCE: meelad.moaphi@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Adam Kline | Tracey Beltrano

Alberto De Rosa

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

Family Mart is a slow brewing short dramatic film, with light-hearted comedic tones which aim for the heart of everyone who has a mom that needs to loosen up a little.



upinder Wraich is an actress born in Chandigarh, India and raised in Toronto. Canada. She is a graduate of the Canadian Film Centre's Actor's conservatory, holds a BA

in Communications and is also a Sheridan College, Advanced Film & Television program alumni.

WORLD PREMIERE

GENRE: Family Comedy country: Canada LENGTH: 12 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER: Supinder Wraich PRODUCERS: Matt Power | Supinder Wraich

PRINT SOURCE: swraich@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Mishu Vellani | Shaun Benson

Sugith Varughese | Andy McQueen

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS

Two Grandmothers employ religion, begging and tears to encourage their granddaughter to marry.



For 10 years, Tamara Dawit led 411 Initiative For Change, a non-profit arts organization, through which she produced touring theatre presentations, television documentaries

WORLD PREMIERE

**GENRE:** Documentary **COUNTRY:** Canada / Ethiopia LENGTH: 15 min

and video shorts for educational use.

**DIRECTOR:** Tamara Dawit PRODUCER/WRITER: Tamara Dawit PRINT SOURCE: tamara@gobez.ca

PRINCIPAL CAST: Mary Rose | Tshai Tesfamicheal

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

Three generations trying to find common ground between countries, continents, languages, sexual identity and social pressures in an Ivorian-Canadian household.



Kinghorn's directing and cinematography work has premiered at the Cannes Film Festival (2013), National Screen Institute's Film Festival, Regent Park Film

Festival, and many others. Lekeeya is also the co-founder of Lovely Blues an independent film production company. Lekeeya created the company to dedicate a platform for the female voice, women of colour, and the telling of unconventional stories.

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Drama country: Canada

LANGUAGE: English, French LENGTH: 20 min

**DIRECTOR**: Lekeeya Kinghorn

PRODUCER: Malube Uhindu-Gingala

PRINT SOURCE: malube.uhindugingala@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Donovan Brown | John Campbell Djennie Laguerre | Malube | Anthony Palmer Brittany Johnson

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS



SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 4:30 PM HAPPY 1 YEAR



FRIDAY, MARCH 6 16 PM
HOME FEELING: STRUGGLE
FOR A COMMUNITY



FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 18:30 PM
ISAIAH'S BIRTHDAY



JENNIFER HODGE: THE GLORY AND THE PAIN





THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 6:30 PM
L'ARMOIRE / THE DRESSER





SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 1 PM LISTEN TO ME



Teenage girl Charlee plans to honour the one-year anniversary of her abortion. It's soon halted when she discovers a dark family secret and Charlee discovers she can't move on until she discovers her own ability to be fearlessly vulnerable.



Alicia Bunyan-Sampson's works deal largely with her exploration of trauma. They challenge current narratives in film and offer a deliberate experimentation of her own lens

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of art and politics.

GENRE: Drama COUNTRY: Canada LENGTH: 11 min, 20 sec

DIRECTOR: Alicia Bunyan-Sampson

PRODUCERS: Melanie Windle | Courtney Graham
PRINT SOURCE: aliciabunyansampson@gmail.com
PRINCIPAL CAST: Sophia Walker | Daren Herbert
Lanette Ware | Sharon Lewis | Reiya Downs

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

Jennifer Hodge de Silva presents a powerful exploration into the troubled relations between metropolitan police and residents of Toronto's predominantly black immigrant Jane-Finch district



Jennifer Hodge de Silva was a pioneer African-Canadian filmmaker of the 1970s and '80s. She was the first black filmmaker to work consistently with both the National Film Board and the CBC.



Roger McTair was a partner in Prieto-McTair Productions from the 1970s to 2007, and was producer, co-director, production manager

and researcher on a number of documentaries which explore Black History and culture.

GENRE: Documentary
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: Canada
LENGTH: 57 min. 35

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DIRECTORS: Jennifer Hodge de Silva | Roger McTair

WRITER: Jennifer Hodge de Silva PRODUCERS: John Kramer | Judy LeGros

John Spoton

PRINT SOURCE: j.gutteridge@nfb.ca

PRINCIPAL CAST: Charmaine Edmead (narrator)
Rosemary Brown | Rose Allen | Trevor Gordon

Greg Bob | Frederick (Chubby) Ford

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

Isaiah has been counting the sleeps to his ninth birthday party and it is finally here. But, Isaiah is going to get a present he did not ask for: he's going to meet his biological father. Kevin.



Shawn Gerrard is a Toronto filmmaker focussed on making films about characters confronted with challenges and crises of racial, sexual, and personal identity.

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GENRE: Drama
COUNTRY: Canada
LENGTH: 10 min, 40 sec
DIRECTOR: Shawn Gerrard

writers: Shawn Gerrard |Kelly Paoli

PRODUCER: Shannon Fewster

PRINT SOURCE: shawn@shawngerrard.com
PRINCIPAL CAST: Ben Bangoura | Victoria Kucher
Fode Bangoura | Chris Langenzarde

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

A 30-minute documentary commemorating the life and work of Jennifer Hodge, a Canadian filmmaker who died of cancer at the age of 38.



Roger McTair was a partner in Prieto-McTair Productions from the 1970s to 2007, and was producer, co-director, production manager and researcher on a number of

documentaries which explore Black History and culture.

GENRE: Documentary COUNTRY: Canada LENGTH: 30 min DIRECTOR: Roger McTair WRITER: Karen Tyrell

PRODUCER: Claire Prieto | Karen King PRINT SOURCE: cpffilms@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Paul DeSilva | Glenda Simms Rlaph Agard | Lucille Cuevas | Terrence Macartney-Filgate | Anne Packwood

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

disaster, a francophone and an anglophone student rebuild with few words.

In Montreal, two months after the 2013 Lac Mégantic



Samuel Plante, born in Quebec City, knew he wanted to direct films from a very young age. In elementary and high school, he attended all film related classes and camps. Later on,

Samuel moved to Toronto to study filmmaking in Ryerson University's Film Studies program.

WORLD PREMIERE
GENRE: Drama
COUNTRY: Canada

LANGUAGES: English, French with English Subtitles

LENGTH: 9 min

DIRECTOR: Samuel Plante WRITER: Clara Pasieka

PRODUCERS: Sangeeta Wylie | Marie-Claire Marcotte
PRINT SOURCE: clarapasieka@hotmail.com
PRINCIPAL CAST: Andy McQueen | Clara Pasieka

Alexander Wong | Hershel Blatt | Cleo Tellier Annie Chen

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS

LISTEN TO ME is a documentary that follows the story of Farrah Khan, a counselor who runs visual and expressive arts programs where young women talk about issues like body image, forced marriage and family violence.



Lalita Krishna is a multiple award-winning filmmaker whose work has been broadcast on all major networks, and screened at international film festivals. An early adopter of new

platforms for storytelling, Krishna also produces websites and apps to complement the documentary viewing experience. Her projects have been acclaimed for their social impact and user engagement strategies.

WORLD PREMIERE

GENRE: Documentary
COUNTRY: Canada
JENGTH: 42 min

DIRECTOR/PRODUCER/WRITER: Lalita Krishna
PRINT SOURCE: insyncvideo@rogers.com
PRINCIPAL CAST: Farrah Khan | Deepa Mattoo
"Outburst" Program participants
"Honour Your Heartbeat" project participants

PROGRAMMED BY: ROSANNA

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THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 6:30 PM MESSAGE DELETED



THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 8:30 PM / SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 4:30PM



SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 12 PM **QUÉBÉKOISIE** 

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FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 8:30 PM RISE



FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 8:30 PM / SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 1PM **SOUND OF TEARS** 





STEPS OF FAITH





When Faith Houston receives a message from God to leave her home, job and family and travel to a new place, she does. The results are not at all what she expected.



self-taught director who has produced

by learning everything about the craft at the public worldwide.

GENRE: Comedy, Christian

LENGTH: 95 min, 30 sec LANGUAGE: English

PRODUCERS: Sharice Henry Chasi | Eric King

William Brown | Kelly Gray | M. Legend Brown

David Dginger | Amy Weber

PRINT SOURCE: biggmike\_mike@yahoo.com **WRITERS**: Michael D. Brown | TK Henderson PRINCIPAL CAST: Charles "Malik" Whitfield Chrystee Pharris | Ted Lange | Irma P. Hall

young, black and single in a supposedly 'post racial' world

A young black woman faces what it means to be



oumbie is an emerging actor and filmmaker rom Nova Scotia. She is excited to fight for iclusion in all screen based media.

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**WORLD PREMIERE** GENRE: Drama country: Canada LENGTH: 6 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER: Koumbie

**PRODUCER**: Lonely Land Productions PRINT SOURCE: koumbie@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Koumbie | Rachael Whitzman

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS

The award-winning film, **NOBODY**, tells the story of a North American-Muslim woman (Mahima) who is awakened by an unlikely urban sage.



Jonathan Dubsky is an award-winning director, actor, writer and cinematographer from Montreal, who believes in and wants to contribute to our growing Canadian industry.

GENRE: Drama COUNTRY: Canada LENGTH: 18 min. 51 sec. **DIRECTOR**: Jonathan Dubsky WRITER: Fenulla Jiwani

PRODUCERS: Fenulla Jiwani | Rahim Hirii **PRINT SOURCE**: fenulla\_jiwani@yahoo.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Fenulla Jiwani | Jani Lauzon Saad Siddigui | Sugith Varughese Mishu Vellani | Meher Pavri

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

A decision to cycle the North Shore of the Quebec forces both Mélanie and Olivier to better understand the complex relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people, and their own limits.



Born in Quebec City, biologists Olivier Higgins and Mélanie Carrier started making films as a way of chronicling their adventures around the world. Their first film. Asiemut, tells the story of their 8,000 km bike ride from Mongolia to India.

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GENRE: Documentary LANGUAGE: French with English Subtitles

country: Canada FILM LENGTH: 80 min

DIRECTORS / PRODUCERS: Olivier Higgins | Mélanie Carrier PRINT SOURCE: dchouinard@videographe.gc.ca

**WRITER**: Olivier Higgins

PRINCIPAL CAST: Serge Bouchard | Pierrot Ross-Tremblay | Francine Lemay | Isabelle Kanapé | Marco Bacon Fruoma Awashish

PROGRAMMED BY: ROSANNA SHAMSHUDIN

RISE is a short music film by Yassin 'The Narcicvst 'Alsalman, It is a futuristic rendition of art over business, creativity over capitalism.



he Narcicvst is a musician/actor/multimedia artist and professor at Concordia University, Montreal, The Medium - his artist collective - is the umbrella that

CANADIAN PREMIERE

GENRE: Music Film

LANGUAGE: English and Arabic country: Canada / UAE

IENGTH: 15 min

ARTIST NAME: Yassin Alsalman

PRODUCERS: Yassin Alsalman | Paul Baboudijan

PRINT SOURCE: narcelx@gmail.com

**WRITERS**: Yassin Alsalman | Paul Baboudjian PRINCIPAL CAST: Yassin Alsalman | Falah Alsalman

Saoud Al-Kaabi | Dialla Makki

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

A young woman is forced into an arranged marriage to save the family "honour" but her true love won't give up so easily.



Dorothy A. Atabong is an award-winning actress and filmmaker. Her feature length screenplay Daisy's Heart, won 2011 Best Low Budget Script at the Female Eye Film Festival.

TORONTO PREMIERE GENRE: Drama

> country of origin: Canada FILM LENGTH: 15 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER: Dorothy A. Atabong

PRODUCERS: Dorothy A. Atabong | Phyllis Brown PRINT SOURCE: soundoftearsfilm@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Edsson Morales | Dorothy A. Atabong Rhoma Spencer | Albert Williams | Eugene Paul

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH



M. Legend Brown is an award-winning,

two feature films and nine short films. Brown made his start in filmmaking

library. His debut film *Hiding in Plain Sight* is distributed

INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE

COUNTRY: USA

DIRECTOR: M. Legend Brown

Tracey Ross

PROGRAMMED BY: TONYA WILLIAMS



THE BRAVEST, THE BOLDEST



Russell lost his hearing at the age of 13. He copes

Russell Ratt-Brascoupe is from both Kitigan

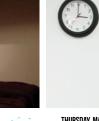
Zibi and Rapid Lake reserves, growing up in a

large value-oriented family of seven siblings

anchored by his father and grandmother.

well, but there is a statement he would like to















THE RACIST NEIGHBOUR





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A young mother living in a New York City housing project realizes the arrival of two uniformed soldiers brings news she can't bring herself to accept.



Moon Molson's short films Pop Foul (2007), Crazy Beats Strong Every Time (2011), and most recently The Bravest, The Boldest (2014) have screened at more than 150

international film festivals, and won more than 70 awards worldwide.

COUNTRY: USA

PRODUCER: Pelin Uzay

PRINCIPAL CAST: Carlo Alban | Sameerah Lugmaan-

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

THE HEARING

hear above all others.

GENRE: Drama

COLINTRY OF ORIGIN: Canada

FILM LENGTH: 4 min. 14 sec.

PRODUCER: Wapikoni mobile

DIRECTOR/WRITER: Russell Ratt-Brascoupe

PRINT SOURCE: festival@wapikoni.ca

PRINCIPAL CAST: Russell Ratt-Brascoupe

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH



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THURSDAY, MARCH 5 | 6:30 PM THE LONG WALK



THE NIGHT SESSION

An overzealous intruder plus a bickering couple equals an eventful night that reveals more truths than any of them can handle.



This is Tamar Bird's first short that she both wrote and directed.

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Comedy country: Canada LENGTH: 9 min. 37 sec. **DIRECTOR/WRITER**: Tamar Bird

PRODUCERS: Melanie Windle | Courtney Graham

PRINT SOURCE: tbird1100@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Vanessa Morgan | Kimberly Huie

Joseph Pierre

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

When a woman is interrogated by her nosey neighbor, she commiserates with a friend about racial undertones. As events unravel, who the racist is becomes far less certain.



Richard B. Pierre's award-winning short films have screened in several international film festivals and aired on TV in international

GENRE: Comedy country of origin: Canada FILM LENGTH: 1 min. 27 sec.

**DIRECTOR/PRODUCER/WRITER:** Richard B. Pierre PRINT SOURCE: readytoroll@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Cherida Walter | Stephanie Herrera Felicia Simone

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

A man with amnesia is forced to remember his past because of an unexpected visit from an old friend.



With more than 150 music videos and 17 international video awards to his name, Director RT! has emerged as one of Canada's most

recognized and prolific storytellers. He currently works out of Toronto as a television series director and continues to follow his passion for storytelling into new genres, formats and mediums.

GENRE: Drama

COLINTRY OF ORIGIN: Canada LENGTH: 14 min. 56 sec.

DIRECTOR: RT!

PRODUCERS: Randall Thorne | Stephanie Hooker Huse Madhavii

PRINT SOURCE: rt@thene.ca

WRITERS: Randall Thorne | Huse Madhavji PRINCIPAL CAST: Huse Madhavji | Emmanual

Kabongo

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

CANADIAN PREMIER

GENRE: Drama



LENGTH: 16 min, 53 sec DIRECTOR: Moon Molson

WRITERS: Eric Fallen | Moon Molson

PRINT SOURCE: moonmole@mac.com

Harris | Hisham TawfiqVenida Evans | Dante E. Clark

offered the job if he's willing to do something in return...

A Filipino accountant applies for a job. He is



Bobby Del Rio recently wrote and directed the feature film The Market (www.themarketmovie. com). His short films have been seen at many festivals around the world

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Comedy country: Canada IFNGTH: 6 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER: Bobby Del Rio

PRODUCERS: Eric Metzloff | Annaliese Heissler

Aldrin Bundoc

PRINT SOURCE: aldrin.bundoc@hotmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Aldrin Bundoc | Karen Knox

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS



SUNDAY, MARCH 8 | 1:30 PM TREACHEROUS HEART









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SUNDAY, MARCH 8 | 3:30 PM WHEREVER YOU GO. THERE YOU ARE



*Treacherous Heart* tells the story of a Canadian woman's struggle to overcome cultural and religious differences in her quest for happiness and also highlights issues of culture clash within immigrant families



Kathryn Fasegha is a filmmaker, freeance writer and blogger. In addition to Treacherous Heart, Kathryn has written and directed four stage plays in Calgary.

She is a member of the Calgary Society of Independent Filmmakers (CSIF) as well as Women in Film and Television Alberta (WIFTA).

ONTARIO PREMIERE GENRE: Drama country: Canada LENGTH: 90 min

DIRECTOR/WRITER/PRODUCER: Kathyrn Fasegha PRINT SOURCE: treacherousheart@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Olawumi Adeniyi | Montel Swaray Kalyn Gilbert | Philip Eki | Ijeoma Chuku

PROGRAMMED BY: WILLIAM YIH

Sherzad (Kamal Yamolky), a former electrical engineer in Kurdistan, is now trying to make a new life for himself in his adopted home, Canada. Jina (Camillia Mahal) numbs her harrowing childhood memories with drugs. But, she has a hard time fitting in.



Soran Mardookhi is a Kurdish filmmaker based in Vancouver, Canada. He earned his BFA in film directing in January 2006 and has since produced numerous short

films and two features. His directorial debut, And Thus I Was Born (2007), was screened at various film festivals around the globe. Turbulence is Mardookhi's second feature-length film, directed and produced in Vancouver, Canada.

TORONTO PREMIERE GENRE: Drama COUNTRY: Canada LENGTH: 90 min

LANGUAGE: English, Kurdish

DIRECTOR/WRITER/PRODUCER: Soran Mardookhi PRINT SOURCE: soran.mardookhi@gmail.com PRINCIPAL CAST: Kamal Yamolky | Camillia Mahal Nasyar Awil | Jenn Haffner | Rezgar Hama Rashed

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE

A young Innu returns to the sight of the Indian Residential School in Sept-Îles to deliver a poetic tribute to its victim, the school ran from 1951 to 1972.

**UPROOTED GENERATION** 



Réal Jr. Leblanc was born in Uashat, which he turned back to after having lived in Quebec for 10 years. He is very proud of his roots and is inspired by his indigenous

culture in writing his poems.

GENRE: Documentary

LANGUAGE: French with English Subtitles

country: Canada LENGTH: 7 min. 16 sec

DIRECTOR / WRITER: Réal Jr. Leblanc PRODUCER: Wapikoni mobile PRINT SOURCE: festival@wapikoni.ca PRINCIPAL CAST: Françoise Césarie Fontaine

PROGRAMMED BY: LEANN SMITH

A Chinese-Canadian father hires an online hit man to kill his daughter's video game character, hoping to steer her away from her dream of becoming a professional gamer.



hil Borg is a Toronto-based actor and vriter/director with seven short films, and one feature film to his credit in his young

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Comedy country: Canada LENGTH: 9 min LANGUAGE: English DIRECTOR: Phil Borg WRITER: Joy Regullano

PRODUCER: Kristina Esposito | Robyn Laliberté

PRINT SOURCE: Insert

PRINCIPAL CAST: Simon Sinn | Amanda Joy | Richard Young | Nora McLellan | Kristina Esposito

PROGRAMMED BY: YEAA SHORTS

Unhappy with her life, a young woman finds a discarded bookmark that gives her the opportunity to escape.



Taleen Der Haroutiounian is passionate about the interaction between people, places, and well-being, and holds a Master of Urban Planning from McGill

University. She enjoys expressing her artistic side through painting, photography, and filmmaking. This is her first short film, which was made while completing the ReelVideo workshop program.

WORLD PREMIERE GENRE: Drama country of origin: Canada FILM LENGTH: 2 min, 56 sec

DIRECTOR/PRODUCER/WRITER: Taleen Der Haroutiounian

PRINT SOURCE: taleen.d@gmail.com

PRINCIPAL CAST: Irene Ho

PROGRAMMED BY: ALINE LE











ON THE LOW

LABEL:

TIME: 4:21

SISTERS

TIME: 3:31

DIRECTOR: Jon Riera

LABEL: Pirates Blend

**ARTIST:** Airplane Bovs

DIRECTOR: Warren Credo

ARTIST: A Tribe Called Red ft Northern Voice





FRESH TALENT PRESENTED BY: 1



### FRIDAY, MARCH 6 | 9:00PM | CINEPLEX AUDITORIUM 5

PROGRAMMED BY: SABRINA SPENCE

#### DARK SIDE OF THE MOON

ARTIST: Matt Brevner ft. Tom MacDonald **DIRECTOR:** David McDonald

LABEL: Independent TIME: 3:14

**FOREVER** 

**DIRECTOR:** J. Lee Williams and

Timur Musabay

## **HOWL LIKE WOLVES**

ARTIST: Grand Analog

LABEL: Independent

**TIME:** 4:13

#### I IVF MY DRFAM

ARTIST: Maiid Jordan ARTIST: JRDN **DIRECTOR:** Common Good DIRECTOR: RTI LABEL: OVO Sound LABEL: Independent

**TIME:** 3:13

### GARDEN'S ROAD

ARTIST: Escuchando Elefantes **DIRECTOR:** Juan Galiñanes and

Olga Osorio LABEL: Independent

**TIME:** 5:01

## MUSKURA

TIME: 3:14

ARTIST: Matt Brevner ft. Tom MacDonald

DIRECTOR: David McDonald **LABEL:** Kuya Productions

TIME: 3:38

## MUSIC VIDEOS

## NETWORKING

### OMDC BRUNCH

#### MONDAY, MARCH 2. 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM BY INVITATION ONLY

## CONNECT. PITCH. PRODUCE. THE OMDC INDUSTRY BRUNCH BRINGS PROJECTS TO SCREENS

Entering its twelfth year, the OMDC Industry Brunch connects filmmakers, producers and talent with members of the Ontario Media Development Corporation (OMDC), distributors, buyers, financers and funders with one express purpose: to help build relationships and foster new production.

At this exclusive, invite only event, filmmakers and talent meet in the relaxed atmosphere of The Office Pub to network, mingle and build relationships with industry insiders...those who can greenlight projects, finance films and help showcase artistic works to audiences.

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## INDUSTRY PANELS

## BARBARA FRUM ATRIUM AT CBC

## **MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015**

## 6:00PM | BEYOND THE BIG SCREEN

Most filmmakers today work on the big screen and on the small screen. The line between the two are becoming blurred, and big name directors also command large successes on small screens. How do they move so seamlessly back and forth and what is the difference between the mediums? Join us as many of Canada's most successful directors share their thoughts about the best ways to work on all screens.

PANELLISTS: Sherri Elwood (Call Me Fitz) | Ken Girotti (Orphan Black) TW Peacocke (Rookie

## 8:00PM | INSIDE THE TV DRAMA WRITING ROOM

We've all heard about it and wanted to be a fly on the wall in 'the writers room' of a tv show. It's the hallowed ground where creativity meets the page. How does it all work? What happens in there? And more importantly how can we get in there? This panel shares the joys and frustrations of working as a showrunner, how you should pitch your story ideas and how writers work on set during production. Hear from real-life showrunners about how they earned their place and stay there.

MODERATOR: Sugith Varughese PANELLISTS: Adam Barken (Remedy, Flashpoint, Rookie Blue), Peter Mohan (The Listener, Blood Ties)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015

## 4:00PM | THE ART OF FIRST IMPRESSIONS: THE POWER OF MOVIE TRAILERS

Movie trailers have advanced beyond their original means, to a new level of art form, with HD picture and sound and hundreds of companies that are being crowned kings of this field. There are audiences that remember movie trailers better than they remember the film! How do you pull the best moments from your film and condense it into a power house one-minute marketing tool that will have the masses running to see your creation? Some of the best trailer creators in the industry come together to share their secrets in what you can do to make those Canada audiences remember to be first in line to see your film.

MODERATOR: Micol Marotti, VP/Sr. Producer, Media Monkey Productions Inc. PANELLISTS: Arthur Yeung (Production Manager, CFC Chad Maker (Founder, Creative Director, Agency 71)

## 6:00PM | TELEFILM CASE STUDY — UNDONE

Taking place over a matter of days, **Undone** looks at the deep-rooted racial tensions within several Nova Scotia communities, undoing the lives of three students at a local high school. When racism begins to tear their school apart from within, the fast-paced narrative follows the trail of devastation left behind.

MODERATOR: Dan Lyon (Regional Feature Film Executive – Ontario & Nunavut Region) PANELLISTS: Amos Adetuyi (Producer) | Floyd Kane (Producer/Writer) | Director X (Director)

## 8:00PM | REELSPEAK WITH MELINDA SHANKAR

Some people recognize her as Alli Bhandari in the eighth season of *Degrassi*. Others for her award-winning lead role as *Indie Mehta* on YTV's *How to be Indie*. And, who can forget her appearance as Janie Gibb in Nickelodeon's Harriet the Spy? For those who follow Shankar, She also won a best actress award for her role in *The Festival of* Lights, starring opposite Aidan Quinn.

We see Shankar as a woman who manages to have both a successful acting career while she helps others. (Check out her work with Free the Children and its corresponding documentaries on MTV).

Join us at ReelSpeak with Melinda Shankar, Presented by ACTRA National and **ACTRA Toronto**, to find out how Shankar approaches her craft, feeds her creativity and balances her day-to-day obligations. And...be prepared to be inspired.







\*At time of printing. Please refer to www.reelworld.ca for a full list of the moderators and panellists.

#### VISIONARY

#### SHARING A VISION

The ReelWorld Visionary Award recognizes individuals who continue to make a significant contribution to the Canadian entertainment industry by opening doors for others and changing the Canadian entertainment landscape. Some past recipients of this award include, Cameron Bailey, Claire Prieto, Helen Paul, Fil Fraser, Patricia and Moses Mawa, Alice Shih and Ana Serrano.

## CEO, TELEVISION & DIGITAL, FOR BLUE ANT MEDIA INC. Raja Khanna

Raja Khanna oversees Blue Ant Media Inc.'s nine television networks, its international distribution group and production division along with YouTube MCN and various internet properties. In his role, Khanna leads the development of the company's content, television and digital strategies.

Prior to joining Blue Ant Media Inc., he was CEO of GlassBOX Television where he oversaw growth from one to three specialty channels, managed and financed the acquisition of Travel and Escape from CTV, and helped orchestrate the merger of GlassBOX and Blue Ant. Khanna is the Co-Founder of QuickPlay Media Inc., a global leader in mobile content delivery platforms where he played a key role in introducing the first mobile video services to the North American market. Previously, Khanna founded and was CEO of Snap Media Corp., a leading interactive digital media producer and global award-winning developer of early social networking technologies, community web platforms and interactive content, sold in 2003.





FILMMAKER Jeff Barnaby



"There will be a time when the choice to cast a white actor doesn't equate making

a neutral choice. I look forward to a time when the choice to cast diversely doesn't

have to have some kind of poetic value, but rather each character is considered for their own individual humanity, and their uniqueness would be something inclusive

ACTOR Lisa Berry

of their skin colour, not defined by it." - Cara Gee



RADIO HOST AND PRODUCER AND AUTHOR

Narine Dat Sookram



ACTOR Cara Gee



Shannon Kook

INTERACTIVE

"It wasn't always an easy realization, but being racially diverse has given me a very different point of reference and perspective that I am very proud of. The Canadian media world is rapidly changing, however when it comes to storytelling and diversity of voices and perspective, it still has a long way to go... which is why I love digital and interactive production. I mean, how exciting is it that most of the top YouTube channels, vloggers, and creators are of diverse backgrounds?" - Abby Ho

PRODUCER, CBC

Abby Ho

#### TRAILBLAZERS

#### **BLAZING TRAILS**

Created in 2002, the Trailblazer Awards recognize the accomplishments of six racially diverse Canadian entertainment industry professionals whose work inspires others by exemplifying what is possible when you blaze a trail of excellence. They are chosen because of their constant efforts to work in and improve our vibrant film and television industry.

We asked our 2015 Trailblazers a few questions about diversity and how they guide their careers. In addition to a few quotes showcased here, find out more about the 2015 Visionary Award Recipient and the 2015 Trailblazers at www reelworld ca



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# AWARDS

#### OUR AWARDS LIGHT UP TROPHY CASES AND OPEN DOORS

Winning a juried award or an audience award can help filmmakers gain acceptance for their films at other festivals and attract the attention of broadcasters and distributors. Our juried awards highlight artistry and craft, and our audience awards recognize films that resonate and connect with cinemagoers. Look for the 2015 ReelWorld Award Winners at www.reelworld.ca.

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Tonya Williams Outstanding Canadian Feature







- Outstanding Documentary Feature
- Outstanding Debut Feature
- Outstanding Short Film





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#### 2015 JURORS

- 1. PRODUCTION AND SALES, TC FILM MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTION **Tony Cianciotta**
- 2. PROGRAMMING MANAGER, CHANNEL ZERO Sonya Davidson
- 3. PROGRAMMER, CHANNEL ZERO Inga Diev
- 4. PRODUCER AND FILM SALES EXECUTIVE Milda Yoo
- 5. PRESIDENT, FREDDIE FILMS INC Floyd Kane
- 6. CO FOUNDER, PLAYING WITH CRAYONS Shaka Licorish

- 7. PRODUCER, NATIONAL FILM BOARD OF CANADA Lea Marin
- 8. MANAGER OF ORIGINAL PROGRAMMING, BELL MEDIA Kathleen Meek
- 9. FILM COMMISSIONER & DIRECTOR OF ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRIES, CITY OF TORONTO Zaib Shaikh
- 10. DEPUTY DIRECTOR, TO INDIE FILM FESTIVAL Steve Veale
- 11. ACQUISITIONS MANAGER, FILMS SÉVILLE INC., UNE FILIALE DE ENTERTAINMENT ONE Anne-Claire Villeneuve
- 12. IFE PROGRAMMING MANAGER, SPAFAX CANADA Andrea Whyte



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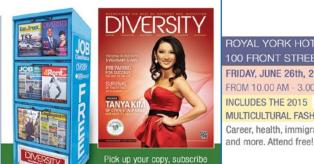




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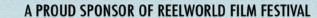
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