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**MILL VALLEY FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES
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FESTIVAL DATES ~ OCTOBER 6 – 16, 2016**

SAN RAFAEL, CA (October 3, 2016) – The Mill Valley Film Festival (October 6 – 16, 2016), presented by the California Film Institute, announces the Active Cinema Programs selected for the 39th Festival.

Confirmed Active Cinema Films
(as of 08/26/16)

Best and Most Beautiful Things
Company Town - San Francisco Bay Sierra Club, (possibly League of Women Voters)
Death by Design - International Campaign for Responsible Technology, Greenpeace
Do Not Resist
Fire at Sea
The Last Dalai Lama? - Buddhist Film Foundation, Inc.
Visitor's Day - (possibly Boys and Men of Color Initiative of Urban Strategies Council)
Yasuni Man - (possibly Amazon Watch, Pachamama Alliance, Human Rights Watch, or Mongabay)

Invited AC Films

Theater of Life - (possibly SF - Marin Food Bank)

Recommended/ Films of Interest

Birth of a Nation
Fukushima, Mon Amor
I, Daniel Blake
Loving
The New Environmentalists (playing in a 5@5)

Community partners TBA.

About the Mill Valley Film Festival

For nearly four decades, the world-renowned Mill Valley Film Festival (MVFF) has maintained its position as a vital showcase of the global film community, attracting iconic red-carpet talent, burgeoning filmmakers, passionate audiences, and astutely curated premieres. An in-demand destination for film lovers, drawn by unmatched locale and a diverse program of mainstream studio features and new visions from independent voices from around the world, MVFF also hosts an exciting array of filmmaker and industry conversations, panels, parties, and live music performances, featuring the most acclaimed emerging and veteran actors, filmmakers, and musicians of our time. A destination event for cinephiles everywhere, and known for launching new films and creating awards season buzz, MVFF has earned a deserved reputation as a “filmmaker’s festival” by celebrating the best in American, independent, and world cinema alongside high profile and prestigious award contenders. Presented by the California Film

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Institute, this year's Festival runs October 6 – 16, 2016. Opening Night Gala will be held at Marin Country Mart and Closing Night Party will be held at Cavallo Point.

Screening locations include: CinéArts@Sequoia and The Sweetwater Music Hall (Mill Valley), Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center (San Rafael), Cinemark Century Larkspur Landing and Lark Theatre (Larkspur), and Cinemark Century Cinema Corte Madera (Corte Madera).

About the California Film Institute

The non-profit California Film Institute celebrates and promotes film as art and education through year-round programming at the non-profit independent theatre, Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center, presentation of the acclaimed Mill Valley Film Festival and cultivation of the next generation of filmmakers and audiences through CFI Education programs. For more information, visit <http://www.cafilm.org> or call (415) 383-5256.

Supporters

As a nonprofit arts organization, CFI relies on the generosity of its community to sustain not only the Festival, but also the year-round programs of the Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center and CFI Education. The invaluable support of our sponsors, foundations, and individual donors ensures our continued success as we celebrate our 39th year.

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The 39th Mill Valley Film Festival

**One of the Nation's Top 10 Film Festivals, celebrating the Best of Independent and World Cinema
Marin County, California**

Thursday, October 6 through Sunday, October 16, 2016

Tickets & information: mvff.com