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The Mill Valley Film Festival Returns for its 38th Year Celebrating the Best in Independent and World Cinema October 8 – 18, 2015

Festival press conference will be held Tuesday, September 15, 2015 6:00 PM, Dolby Laboratories in San Francisco

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (August 10, 2015) - Returning for its 38th year, the Mill Valley Film Festival (MVFF), presented annually by the California Film Institute (CFI), will be held Thursday, October 8 – Sunday, October 18, 2015. Internationally recognized for showcasing the best in independent and world cinema, the Festival draws thousands of attendees every fall to Marin County for 11 days of films, panel discussions, and musical performances. The Mill Valley Film Festival provides attendees with a chance to catch an early glimpse of the Academy Award® contenders and discover some of the best films from around the world. Five out of the last seven Academy Award winners for Best Picture (*Slumdog Millionaire*, *The King's Speech*, *The Artist*, *Argo* and 12 *Years a Slave*) made their California premiere at the Festival.

The festival will unveil its complete lineup at a special *Press Conference and Reception* on Tuesday, September 15th at 6PM at Dolby Laboratories in San Francisco. Founder / Director Mark Fishkin will be on hand with Director of Programming Zoe Elton and programmers Janis Plotkin and KD Davis to announce highlights from the official selection and answer questions. Additionally, the following press screenings at Dolby Laboratories have been scheduled:

Thursday, September 17

6:00 PM Screening #1 - Film TBD 8:00 PM Screening #2 - Film TBD

Tuesday, September 22

6:00 PM Screening #1 - **CODE: Debugging the Gender Gap**

8:00 PM Screening #2 - Film TBD

*** Please RSVP to Publicity@Larsenassc.com or 415-835-8775 ***

About the 38th Mill Valley Film Festival

Presented by the California Film Institute, the 38th Mill Valley Film Festival runs October 8-18, 2015 at the CinéArts@Sequoia (25 Throckmorton Ave., Mill Valley), Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center (1118 Fourth Street, San Rafael), and other venues throughout the Bay Area. With a reputation for launching new films and creating awards season buzz, MVFF has earned a reputation as a "filmmakers' festival" by celebrating the best in American independent and world cinema, alongside high profile and prestigious award contenders. MVFF welcomes more than 200 filmmakers representing more than 50 countries.

Tickets are \$15.00 (CFI Members, \$12.50), unless otherwise noted and are available for purchase by the general public on September 20, 2015.

CFI members have an opportunity to purchase tickets prior to the general on-sale date by level beginning on the following dates:

- September 13 Premier Patron Members and above
- September 14 Director's Circle Members and above
- September 15 Gold Star Members and above
- September 17 Film Fan and Associate Members and above

For tickets and additional information, please visit www.mvff.com or call 877.874.MVFF (6833).

About the California Film Institute

The non-profit California Film Institute celebrates and promotes film as art and education through the presentation of the Mill Valley Film Festival and year-round exhibitions at the Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center, film distribution by CFI Releasing, and building the next generation of filmmakers and audiences through the CFI Education program. For more information visit www.cafilm.org or call (415) 383-5256.

For Calendar Editors

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Marin County, California

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On-Sale Date

For CFI Members: Starts Sunday, September 13, 2015 (dates vary by level)

For the General Public: Sunday, September 20, 2015

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