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# 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MILL VALLEY FILM FESTIVAL October 6 – October 16, 2016 ADVANCE TICKET PACKAGES ON SALE Friday, February 19, 2016.

**SAN RAFAEL, Calif.** (February 17, 2016) – The  $39^{th}$  Mill Valley Film Festival (MVFF) will be here sooner than you know (October 6 – 16) and is sure to follow in the MVFF tradition of celebrating great film and great talent.

Once again, MVFF offers early access to Festival packages and passes, the best way to ensure access to all the exciting events and screenings, including: Spotlights, Tributes, Galas, Panels and Live Performances, at the best prices.

Advance Ticket Packages and Passes go on sale beginning Friday, February 19, 2016 for a limited time at <u>mvff.com/advtix</u>

With a reputation for launching new films and creating awards season buzz, MVFF has demonstrated an aptitude for showcasing emerging talent as well as drawing legendary artists. Known as the "filmmaker's festival", MVFF welcomed more than 400 filmmakers and guests from around the world in 2015 and in the past few years has hosted numerous luminaries ranging from cinema legends Costa-Gavras, Jan Troell, Marcel Ophuls and Barbet Schroeder, to acclaimed and award-winning directors Steve McQueen, Tom Hooper, Tom McCarthy, JC Chandor, Catherine Hardwicke, Lenny Abrahamson, Cary Joji Fikunaga and Ang Lee to Hollywoood's brightest stars, including Sir Ian McKellen, Geoffrey Rush, Lupita Nyong'o, Ben Stiller, Elle Fanning, Jared Leto Hilary Swank, Sarah Silverman, Brie Larson, Eddie Redmayne, Carey Mulligan and Laura Dern, among many others.

Last year, the festival featured over 270 screenings of 185 films, representing 50 countries, with 41 official premieres and more than 68,000 audience members present.

# About the Mill Valley Film Festival

Presented by the California Film Institute, the 39<sup>th</sup> Festival runs October 6 – 16, 2016. Locations this year include: CinéArts@Sequoia (Mill Valley), Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center (San Rafael), Lark Theatre (Larkspur) and other theatres throughout the Bay Area. With a reputation for launching new films and creating awards season buzz, MVFF is regarded as a "filmmakers' festival", celebrating the best in American independent and world cinema alongside high profile and prestigious award contenders.

# 2016 MILL VALLEY FILM FESTIVAL



### ADVANCE TICKET PACKAGES AND PASSES

### OPENING NIGHT PACKAGE: TWO TICKETS FOR THE OPENING NIGHT FILM & GALA

MVFF kicks off with a buzzy, highly-anticipated Opening Night Film and our Opening Night Gala celebrates the glamor of cinema and our beautiful home in Marin. A glittering night of fantastic film, delicious local cuisine, great music and flowing spirits, shared with attending special guests, filmmakers, film fans – and you! Opening Night is Thursday, October 6, 2016. Secure your tickets to this popular event before they sell out!

#### \$200 Member / \$225 Non-Member

#### CLOSING NIGHT PACKAGE: TWO TICKETS FOR CLOSING NIGHT FILM & PARTY IN SAN RAFAEL

MVFF concludes in grand style, spotlighting an acclaimed Closing Night Film, followed by our legendary Closing Night Party. Enjoy delectable food and beverages from local purveyors and dance the night away to fabulous live music with fellow Festival-goers, filmmakers and special guests in attendance!

#### \$135 Member / \$150 Non-Member

#### MOVIE 12-PACK: A GREAT DEAL FOR THE ULTIMATE FILM LOVER

Cover some serious festival ground at a great price. Enjoy redeeming these twelve movie vouchers\* for yourself or anyone you choose as soon as the on-sale date hits. Members of the California Film Institute redeem their vouchers before tickets go on sale to the general public—a great reason to join!

\*Film vouchers are redeemable for regularly priced screenings only and are not valid for special events.

#### \$135 Member / \$160 Non-Member



#### **MVFF MUSIC PASS**

After a successful launch in 2015, our popular MVFF Music program will return to MVFF39. The MVFF Music Pass provides access to nine evenings of live music exclusively curated for MVFF at the landmark Sweetwater Music Hall in downtown Mill Valley. Past musical guests include The Dean Ween Group, The Mother Truckers, Stroke 9, The Brothers Comatose and more! Kick back and relax with Festival attendees in an intimate club setting, enjoying world-class entertainment. There is a very limited amount of passes available at this advance discount rate – get yours before they sell out!

## \$175 Member / \$195 Non-Member

## DIRECTORS PACKAGE

Enjoy the Festival in comfort and style with early entry to all Festival screenings, early access to redeem your Movie 12-Pack, PLUS Directors Circle membership and year-round benefits at the Smith Rafael Film Center.

- Movie 12-Pack for regularly priced screenings (does not include special events)
- One Annual Directors Circle membership includes:
  - Second entry lines at all Festival screenings
    - Early pre-sale period for access to the hottest MVFF tickets
    - Sneak preview of the MVFF line-up
    - Free member screening during MVFF
    - Invitations to year-round private member screenings
    - Guest vouchers to the Smith Rafael Film Center
    - Discounted tickets at the Rafael Film Center and MVFF

# Only \$455 (\$100 tax deductible)

#### PREMIER PACKAGE

The Premier Package is your access to the renowned MVFF screenings and parties. You'll attain entry status to either the Opening Night Film & Gala or Closing Night Film & Party plus two tickets to a guaranteed-to-sell-out MVFF Tribute & Party. With your Premier Patron membership included, the revels continue all year with great events at the Smith Rafael Film Center.

- Two tickets to the MVFF Tribute screening and party
- One annual Premier Patron membership includes:



- Two tickets to *either* the Opening Night Film & Gala or Closing Night Film & Party
- Second entry lines at all Festival screenings
- First access to the hottest MVFF tickets
- Access for two to the Filmmaker Lounges, including complimentary wine, beer and snacks
- Sneak preview of the MVFF line-up
- Free member screening during MVFF
- Invitations to year-round private member screenings
- Guest vouchers to the Smith Rafael Film Center
- o Discounted tickets at the Rafael Film Center and MVFF

# \$800 (\$280 tax deductible)

#### MVFF FAST PASS: ALL ACCESS AT THE FESTIVAL

Experience all that MVFF has to offer! With the MVFF Fast Pass, you're granted total access to star-studded special events, parties and, of course, films! First access to the theater provides your choice of the best available seats in the house. Add to that priority year-round benefits and you'll never want to experience events another way.

- Exclusive program reveal cocktail reception with Executive Director and Founder
- First entry to theaters at MVFF pick any available seat!
- All access to MVFF tributes, Spotlights, Centerpieces, Opening and Closing Nights
- All access to MVFF films, panels and shorts, parties, brunches and receptions
- Concierge ticketing service
- Access to the Filmmaker Lounges, including complimentary wine, beer and snacks
- Recognition as a supporter in MVFF publications and on-screen yearround
- Year round member benefits include first choice of premiere screenings and special events

RSVP required for all programs and events by designated date to ensure access. Passes are non-transferable.

# \$2,500 single / \$5,000 dual (\$2,100 / \$4,200 tax deductible)



### CFI FAST PASS: THE ULTIMATE RED CARPET EXPERIENCE: ALL-ACCESS AT THE FESTIVAL AND YEAR-ROUND

Experience all that MVFF and the Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center has to offer all year long! This all-access pass is the ultimate year-round VIP experience.

Enjoy <u>all the benefits of the MVFF Fast Pass</u> (see above), plus:

- Reserved seating at MVFF screenings with RSVP
- Complimentary access to films and events at the Rafael <u>365 days of the year!</u>
- First priority to exclusive premiere film screenings and receptions yearround
- First entry and reserved seating at Member Screenings year round
- Acknowledgement of your support of programs including CFI Education
- Tax deductible portion based on average usage is \$4,500 single / \$9,000 dual

RSVP required for all programs and events by designated date to ensure access. Passes are non-transferable.

\$5,000 single / \$10,000 dual (\$4,500 / \$9,000 tax deductible)

**NO REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES**