



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

SAN RAFAEL, CA (September 12, 2016) – The Mill Valley Film Festival (October 6 – 16, 2016), presented by the California Film Institute, announces Special Programming for the 39th Festival.

BIG NIGHTS

October 6 - Opening Night — *La La Land* and *Arrival*
October 9 - Tribute — Nicole Kidman
October 9 - Spotlight — Ewan McGregor
October 10 - Spotlight – Gael García Bernal
October 13 - Centerpiece — *20th Century Women*
October 14 - Tribute — Julie Dash
October 15 - Spotlight — Aaron Eckhart
October 16 - Closing Night — *Loving*

SPECIAL PREMIERES

October 8 – *Monday Nights at Seven* (World Premiere)
October 8 – *Katie Says Goodbye* (US Premiere)

BEHIND THE SCREENS: PANELS, MASTER CLASSES, AND CONVERSATIONS

October 8 – Panel - The Women Behind Hidden Figures
October 8 – Panel - Great Sports! Cannabis in Athletics
October 8 – Film Screening + Panel - *Rolling Papers*
October 8 – Master Class - Documentary Storymakers
October 8 – Panel - Storytelling in Virtual Reality
October 9 – Film Screening + Panel - *She Started It*
October 9 - Panel + Reception - MVFF State of the Industry Conversation
October 9 – Film Screening + Panel – *Company Town*
October 15 – Active Cinema Hike
October 15 – Master Class & Sneak Preview Screening – The Filmmaker as Heroine:
Screenwriting with Tom Schlesinger & Valerie Weiss
October 16 – Panel - Disney Animation Technistas

MVFF MUSIC at the SWEETWATER MUSIC HALL

October 7 – Thao Nguyen
October 9 – Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas
October 10 – Erika Wennerstrom & Petter Stakee
October 11 – Bert Berns Celebration
October 12 – Fred Hersch
October 14 – Alejandro Escovedo Trio
October 15 – The Great Mill Valley Gospel Show with Narada Michael Walden & Special Guests

SPECIAL FAMILY SCREENINGS

October 8 – *Star Wars: The Original Trilogy*
October 14 – *Inside Out* Outdoor Screening at Old Mill Park

Complete Press Materials are available at:
[MVFF39 Marketing Materials](#)

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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 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.

CFI is once again proud to acknowledge the leadership support of Christopher B. and Jeannie Meg Smith and Jennifer Coslett MacCready, and the continued major support of Ken and Jackie Broad Family Fund, Drusie and Jim Davis - Drusie Davis Family Fund, The Bernard Osher Foundation, The Gruber Family Foundation, Michael and Susan Schwartz Fund, Marin Community Foundation and The Horace W. Goldsmith Foundation. We are also fortunate to have the contributions of the following Signature and Major Sponsors of the Mill Valley Film Festival: Wells Fargo, Jackson Square Partners, Lucasfilm, Ltd., Maroevich, O’Shea & Coghlan Insurance Services, Zaentz Media Center/A Wareham and Development, Bellam Self Storage and Boxes, Delta Air Lines and San Francisco Chronicle and Government Support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

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For Calendar Editors

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**

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