

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

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (September 12, 2016) – The Mill Valley Film Festival is proud to present a remarkable program for its 39th edition, with the finest in American and international independent films, provocative documentaries and delightful family films. These efforts could not be made possible without the assistance and support of the Festival's generous sponsors and industry friends.

This year we are pleased to acknowledge our Signature Sponsors Christopher B. and Jeannie Meg Smith; we are proud to have Wells Fargo Bank as our Opening Night Sponsor and Jackson Square Partners as our Closing Night Sponsor. The festival is proud to announce the support of Delta Air Lines, our Official MVFF39 Airline and Opening Night Co-Sponsor.

The Festival gratefully acknowledges the generous contributions of Major Foundations and Individuals including Jennifer Coslett MacCready, Jim Boyce Trust and Kris Otis, Gruber Family Foundation, The Bernard Osher Foundation, Marin Community Foundation and Harbor Point Charitable Foundation in honor of Ray Kaliski, Senior, as well as Government support from County of Marin and National Endowment for the Arts.

We thank our Major Sponsors Lucasfilm, Ltd., US Cinema section and Valley of the Docs section sponsor Wareham Development, and Maroevich, O'Shea & Coghlan Insurance Services celebrating 20 years of supporting the festival. We greatly appreciate the continued contribution made by MVF Family Films sponsor Bellam Self-Storage & Boxes, and are very proud to welcome new Major Sponsor Ghilotti Construction Company.

The Festival is pleased to announce the support of THX, Ltd. and Green Initiative Sponsor Pacific Gas & Electric as new Silver Circle Sponsors and the continued support of Nordstrom. With the partnership of Pacific Gas & Electric, the California Film Institute will continue towards its commitment to becoming a model green organization with environmentally sustainable green policies and practices in both CFI's business and educational outreach efforts. The festival is proud to announce the continued support of the San Francisco Chronicle as MVFF39 Premiere Media Sponsor.

The Festival is happy to announce Bank of Marin, Coldwell Banker, Paragon Real Estate Group, Bloom Farms, Flow Kana, and Meritage Medical Network as new Festival Circle Sponsors; we also want to thank *Mind the Gap* program sponsor Glassdoor and MVFF Music sponsor Marin General Hospital. We are also greatly appreciative of the ongoing support of Alain Pinel Realtors, Dolby Laboratories, Lagunitas Brewing Company, LUNAFEST, Marin Convention Visitors Bureau, Sterling Bank & Trust, Strawberry Village Shopping Center, and our French Cinema section sponsor TV5Monde.

This year's festivities are made possible through the extraordinary contributions of Festival Event Sponsors Marin Country Mart, A Party Center, Cavallo Point, Equator Coffees & Teas, FarmShop, Frantoio Ristorante & Olive Oil Co., Green Chile Kitchen, II Davide, II Fornaio, the newly opened restaurant Le Comptoir, Marin Art & Garden Center, Murray Circle, Pizza Antica, Sol Food, Sweetwater Music Hall, and Tiburon Tavern. We are proud to continue our collaboration with the Zener Schon Contemporary Art Gallery and are extremely pleased to welcome the Francis Ford Coppola Winery as our new wine Sponsor.

We are thrilled to introduce our new event design partners Suite Treatments, Elena Calabrese Design & Décor, and 7 On Locust. We also want to thank Samsung for supporting us and bringing a world class Virtual Reality Experience to our Filmmaker Lounges.

The Mill Valley Film Festival is proud to announce the Best Western Plus Novato Oakes Inn as a new hotel sponsor. Additionally, we would like to thank returning hotel sponsors, Marin Hotels' Acqua Hotel, Mill Valley Inn and Waters Edge Hotel; America's Best Value Inn, Best Western Plus Corte Madera Inn, Cavallo Point, Courtyard by Mariott Larkspur Landing, Marin Suites Hotel, Mountain Home Inn, and The Lodge at Tiburon.

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We would also like to thank MVFF39 Official Service Providers Simple DCP, Deluxe Technicolor Cinema, Good Green Moving and REV, Sustainability Circle.

This year's Festival trailer was produced by our creative sponsors BSSP. We would like to thank Turner Duckworth, the agency responsible for MVFF39 creative, and our creative partner Van Metre Productions. Additionally, we are grateful for the continuous support of L.inc Design who produced our Interstitials.

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

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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.

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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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Marin County, California

Thursday, October 6 through Sunday, October 16, 2016

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