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Cinetopia International Film Festival announces 2014 schedule

Includes 110 screenings of 50 films at 10 venues in Detroit and Ann Arbor, plus special guests

Ann Arbor, Mich. – **Cinetopia International Film Festival**, returning for a third year on June 4-8, announced its full 2014 film schedule today. 50 of the best feature-length comedies, dramas, and documentaries from the world's best film festivals will have 110 screenings during the five-day event. Many of the films will also be making their Michigan premiere. See the end of this press release for the list of films and visit cinetopiafestival.org for full descriptions, trailers, and dates/times/locations.

Screenings will take place at 10 southeast Michigan venues, including the **Detroit Film Theatre/Detroit Institute of Arts, College for Creative Studies, Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Cinema Detroit, Michigan Science Center**, and **Arab American National Museum** in Detroit and the **Michigan Theater, State Theater**, and **University of Michigan Modern Languages Building** in Ann Arbor. See the end of this press release for a complete list of venues.

In addition to a robust program of independent films, Cinetopia is pleased to announce three special events.

The University of Michigan's **John Sayles Symposium** on June 4 will honor maverick director **John Sayles** (*Go for Sisters, Lone Star, Eight Men Out*), who will be in attendance with several of his collaborators. Cinetopia will screen Sayles films and host post-film discussions in conjunction with the symposium.

Detroit Voices is a short film competition open to the residents of Macomb, Oakland, Wayne, and Washtenaw counties. Two local filmmakers will win cash prizes and have their films screened at Cinetopia. The winners will be announced on 5/21.

Cinema Circus is a series of FREE outdoor movie screenings in public spaces around Detroit during the weeks leading up to Cinetopia. Each event will feature live entertainment followed by a family-friendly film at dusk (9 PM). Venues include:

- **Eastern Market** on Friday, May 23
- **Ford Resource and Engagement Center** on Saturday, May 24
- **New Center Park** on Wednesday, May 28
- **Balduck Park** on Saturday, May 31

Cinema Circus films will be announced in the coming weeks; visit cinetopiafestival.org for the most current information.

Cinetopia tickets and passes will go on sale on **Friday, May 9**. Individual tickets are \$12 for the general public and \$9 for DIA, DFT, Wright Museum, Arab American Museum, and Michigan Theater members.

The Cinetopia International Film Festival would not be possible without the generous support of our presenting sponsors the Knight Foundation, the MASCO Corporation Foundation, Toyota, AT&T and MGM Grand Detroit, as well as our [charter, supporting, and media sponsors](#).

About Cinetopia International Film Festival: Created for the people of southeastern Michigan, the Cinetopia International Film Festival features the best feature-length dramas, comedies, and documentaries from the world's best film festivals, including Sundance, Cannes, Venice, and Toronto. Visit cinetopiafestival.org for more information.

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Alphabetical List of Cinetopia International Film Festival 2014 Films:

1982 – Stars HILL HARPER, SHARON LEAL, and WAYNE BRADY

ATTILA MARCEL – Directed by French Oscar-nominee SYLVAIN CHOMET (*The Triplets of Belleville, The Illusionist*)

BAD HAIR – A nine-year-old's obsession with straightening his hair elicits a wave of homophobic panic in his hard-working mother

THE BETTER ANGELS – Stars JASON CLARKE, DIANE KRUGER, BRIT MARLING, and WES BENTLEY

BORGMAN – Dutch thriller from Cannes and Toronto

BUZZARD – Shot and set in Michigan, premiered at SXSW 2014

THE CASE AGAINST 8 – Winner of the 2014 SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL DOCUMENTARY DIRECTING AWARD

COHERENCE – Sci-fi thriller full of twists and turns

THE CONGRESS – Stars ROBIN WRIGHT, PAUL GIAMATTI, DANNY HUSTON, HARVEY KEITEL, and JON HAMM

CONSIDERATION – Shot and set in Michigan; would you date a sugar daddy to pay off your student loans?

DEEP CITY: THE BIRTH OF THE MIAMI SOUND – A fascinating look at Miami's soul music history

DETROIT VOICES (TBA) – The two grand prize-winning films plus other selections from the Detroit Voices filmmaking contest

THE DOG – The real story behind *Dog Day Afternoon*

FINDING MR. RIGHT – China's highest-grossing romantic comedy mirrors *Sleepless in Seattle*

GO FOR SISTERS – Directed by JOHN SAYLES, stars EDWARD JAMES OLMOS

GOD HELP THE GIRL – Directed by BELLE AND SEBASTIAN frontman STUART MURDOCH, stars EMILY BROWNING

THE GREAT FLOOD – Director BILL MORRISON and guitarist BILL FRISELL explore the evolution of R&B, rock, blues and jazz

HANNA'S JOURNEY – Unexpected problems arise when a young German student travels to Israel to escape her country's tragic past

HELLION – Sundance and SXSW hit about an agitated 13-year-old delinquent

JINGLE BELL ROCKS! – A trippy, cinematic sleigh ride into the strange and sublime universe of alternative Christmas music

LIFE FEELS GOOD – Entertaining and uplifting film about a man with cerebral palsy struggling to communicate

LILTING – Winner of the 2014 SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL CINEMATOGRAPHY AWARD

LONE STAR – Directed by JOHN SAYLES, stars CHRIS COOPER, ELIZABETH PEÑA, and MATTHEW MCCONAUGHEY

MEMPHIS – A strange singer drifts through the city, blurring the lines between fiction and reality

NO CLUE – Canadian comedy about an ad salesman mistaken for a private eye

NORTHERN LIGHT – Documentary weaves interconnected stories in Sault Ste. Marie

OBVIOUS CHILD – Stars JENNY SLATE, GABY HOFFMANN, DAVID CROSS, and RICHARD KIND

OJ: THE MUSICAL – A misguided artiste mounts a highly inappropriate community theater production

PARIS OR PERISH – A Moroccan-born Parisian fashionista finds herself deported to the country home she left 20 years ago

R100 – Weird and wild Japanese S&M comedy (yes, you read that right)

RICH HILL – Winner of the 2014 SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL DOCUMENTARY GRAND JURY PRIZE

ROCK THE CASBAH – A jarring profile from both sides of the line of the Israeli/Palestine conflict

SILVER CITY – Directed by JOHN SAYLES, stars CHRIS COOPER, RICHARD DREYFUSS, and DARYL HANNAH

A STORY OF CHILDREN AND FILM – A portrait of the adventures of childhood, as seen in 53 films from around the world

THE SUBLIME AND BEAUTIFUL – A grieving father copes with unspeakable tragedy

TO BE TAKEI – Starring GEORGE TAKEI

TO KILL A MAN – WORLD CINEMA GRAND JURY PRIZE winner at Sundance

A TOUCH OF SIN – Winner of the 2014 BEST SCREENPLAY AWARD AT THE CANNES FILM FESTIVAL

UMMAH AMONG FRIENDS – A complex portrayal of corruption and the human kindness that can combat it

WAR STORY – Starring CATHERINE KEENER and BEN KINGSLEY

WATCHERS OF THE SKY – Sundance award winner focuses on Raphael Lemkin, a Polish Jew who invented the term “genocide”

WETLANDS – An unruly young woman fascinated by everything disturbing and perverted hides a dark secret

WHITE SHADOW – An albino boy on the run from witch doctors finds that the city is no less predatory than his village

THE YELLOW TICKET – With live musical accompaniment by ALICIA SVEGALS (violin) and MARILYN LERNER (piano)

Program subject to change. Visit cinetopiafestival.org for the most current information.

Alphabetical List of Cinetopia International Film Festival 2014 Venues:

Detroit:

ARAB AMERICAN NATIONAL MUSEUM

13624 Michigan Ave.

Dearborn, MI 48126

www.arabamericanmuseum.org

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM
OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

315 E. Warren Ave.

Detroit, MI 48202

www.thewright.org

CINEMA DETROIT

3420 Cass Ave.

Detroit, MI 48201

www.cinemadetroit.com

COLLEGE FOR CREATIVE STUDIES

201 E. Kirby St.

Detroit, MI 48202

www.collegeforcreativestudies.edu

DETROIT FILM THEATRE /
DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

5200 Woodward Ave.

Detroit, MI 48202

www.dia.org/dft.asp

MICHIGAN SCIENCE CENTER

5020 John R St.

Detroit, MI 48202

www.mi-sci.org

Ann Arbor:

MICHIGAN THEATER

603 E. Liberty St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

www.michtheater.org

STATE THEATER

233 S. State St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

www.michtheater.org/state

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
MODERN LANGUAGES BUILDING

812 E. Washington St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Cinetopia International Film Festival 2014 Tickets and Passes:

PASSES

PRICING	Movie Pass	Festival Pass	Festival PLUS Pass	Personal Sponsorship Pass
Michigan Theater, Detroit Institute of Arts, Charles H. Wright Museum, or Arab American National Museum Member	\$75	\$125	\$175	\$1,000
Non-Member	\$95	\$150	\$200	\$1,000

BENEFITS	Movie Pass	Festival Pass	Festival PLUS Pass	Personal Sponsorship Pass
Admission to all film screenings in Detroit and Ann Arbor	X	X	X	X (for two people)
Admission to ONE opening night party (choose Detroit OR Ann Arbor)		X		X (for two people)
Admission to BOTH opening night parties (Detroit AND Ann Arbor)			X	X (for two people)
Admission to the Hospitality Suites		X	X	X (for two people)
Sponsorship of one Cinetopia film, onscreen and onstage recognition at the film screening of your choice, admission to an exclusive event on Friday night, and a tax-deductible donation				X (for two people)

TICKETS

PRICING	Single Film Ticket	Ticket 4-Pack	Opening Night Party Ticket (includes opening night film)
Michigan Theater, Detroit Institute of Arts, Charles H. Wright Museum, or Arab American National Museum Member	\$9	\$30	\$50
Non-Member	\$12	\$40	\$60