



**Limassol, 2 October 2019**

**9th INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL OF CYPRUS  
12 – 18 October 2019  
Rialto Theatre, Limassol**

**Parallel Programme of Screenings & Events**

**With another exciting edition coming up, the 9th International Short Film Festival of Cyprus is presenting an outstanding cinematic experience through the medium of short film, and hosts a thematic programme of screenings and events, parallel to its main competition. Dedicated to its philosophy and committed to discovering and showcasing the best filmmaking talent, the ISFFC presents seven thematic programmes, that expand beyond the traditional cinema hall.**

- **«Meet the Distributors»**

**Sunday, 13 October | 17:30 - 19:30, Rialto Theatre On Stage**

This year, the ISFFC presents “Meet the Distributors”, a panel discussion where distributors of short films and representatives of highly acclaimed festival strategy agencies will introduce their work to local filmmakers and international guests. The presentation and dialogue aim to give valuable insight on how a short film finds international distribution, the importance of developing a successful festival strategy and how this can influence the future careers of filmmakers. The panelists are: Ben Vandendaele - *Radiator IP Sales*, Carla Vulpiani - *Varicoloured Holistic Film Agency*, και Wouter Jansen - *Some Shorts*. The discussion will take place in English.

- **Auteurs of French Cinema**

**Sunday, 13 October | 23:00, Heroes' Square (open-air)**

A selection of shorts by the boom generation of French Directors in the 90s that are now powerhouses of world cinema. The shorts screened are from the collection of L'Agence du Court Métrage, directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet, Mathieu Kassovitz, François Ozon, Laurent Gorgiard.

- **Focus on Africa**

**Monday, 14 October | 23:00, Heroes' Square (open-air)**

On Monday 14/10, the ISFFC audience will have an insight on different genres of contemporary urban independent African filmmaking, at the open-air screening, *Focus on Africa*.

- **Greek New Wave Cinema**

**Tuesday, 15 October | 23:00, Heroes' Square (open-air)**

The ISFFC is proud to present this special screening of two short masterpieces by Greek Directors: the short film *Nimic* by Palme d'Or winner of Cannes Film Festival and four-time Academy Award nominee, Yorgos Lanthimos, and *Electric Swan* by young, upcoming, multi-award winner and nominee of the European Film Award for Best Short, Konstantina Kotzamani.

- **Words on Film**

**Wednesday 16 October, 17:30-19:30, Old Vinegar House**

Words, image and sound! The ISFFC takes the audience on a literary journey traversing the art of cinema: the parallel programme *Words on Film*, reveals the inherent connection between literature and the moving image. Four talented Cypriot writers - Yiorgos Trillides, Nasia Dionysiou, Maria Petrides, and Anthi Zachariadou, will recite their own literary work, inspired by four exceptional short films. A live recitation session will be accompanying the screening of each short film. The event is supported by *Vivliotropio Book Club*, and will take place in the Greek language.

- **The Female Condition**

**Thursday, 17 October | 23:00, Heroes' Square (open-air)**

A selection of exceptional short films produced in 2018 and 2019 that tell powerful stories about women who are in situations that challenge the boundaries of being female, a mother, a girlfriend, a daughter.

- **Amaze Me, Music Videos**

**Friday, 18 October, Heroes' Square (open-air)**

For the seventh year running, this competition programme of music videos by independent film directors, screening at the closing party of the Festival, right after the awards ceremony, is an audience favourite. The awards in this competition will be decided by a student jury from the Department of Multimedia and Graphic Arts of Cyprus University of Technology.

The detailed programme of screenings and events is available at [www.isffc.com.cy](http://www.isffc.com.cy)

### **Organisers**

The Festival is organised by the Cultural Services of the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Rialto Theatre.

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**Free Entrance** (Free tickets must be obtained from the Rialto Box Office, online and through the Rialto Theatre App)

**Suitable for 18+ years of age.**

**Information:** Rialto Theatre 77 77 77 45

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