

Limassol, 25 September 2023

13th INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL OF CYPRUS RIALTO THEATRE, 8 - 14 October 2023

Parallel Events

Each festival year, cinephiles are eagerly awaiting the Parallel Events Programme of the International Short Film Festival of Cyprus which, together with its Competition Section, make up the all-round ISFFC experience. In this 13th edition, the ISFFC has in store a series of fascinating parallel events as part of its overall short-film celebration.

Details about the parallel events programme:

• Words on Film

Sunday 8/10, 18:00-20:00 @ At the Old Vinegar House

Words, images and sounds! Join us on a stirring journey across the seventh art as we immerse ourselves in the reverberation of words. ISFFC's parallel programme, "Words on Film", brings out the close-knit crafts of literature and the moving image. In the first part of the programme, four talented Cypriot writers (Risos Harisis, Christos Kythreotis, Maria Tziaouri Hilmer, Michalis Mavrotheris) will add words to four exceptional short films without dialogue, and read live through the screening of each short. In the second part of the event, Yorgos Trillides will discuss the relationship between literature and cinema with Greek author Yiorgos Skabardonis.

In Greek
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• Love, Art, and Politics

Sunday 8/10, 23:00, Sousou@Rialto

Love, art and politics take the lead in this special programme curated by the ISFFC's artistic directors, dedicated in loving memory of Eleni Nikodimou, the artist, the woman, the writer.

Victimhood

Monday 9/10, 23:00, Sousou@Rialto

A selection of short films that explore victimhood through the complexity of human relations. How to deal with the challenges arising from the consequences of one's actions? How to walk the fine line between playing it safe and taking risks in the pursuit of love?

Curated by Spiros Charalambous



• Solar, Lunar and Afire Journeys

Tuesday 10/10, 23:00, Sousou@Rialto

A voyage through space. 15.000 sunspots drawings. A stunned crowd faces a fire. A transtemporal filmic journey in the Sinai desert. All blend in this peculiar and luminous programme of terrestrial and extraterrestrial matters.

Curated by Christiana Ioannou

• In Focus: Cyprus Art and Soul

Wednesday 11/10, 23:00, Sousou@Rialto

A parallel programme of short documentaries made by Cypriot filmmakers around the axis of Cypriot art.

• TSFM What's the story?

9-13/10 Rialto Theatre

Intensive workshop on developing and writing a script for a short film, an initiative promoted by Talents and Short Film Market (TSFM). Under the guidance of two experienced tutors, eight selected filmmakers and screenwriters from Cyprus, Egypt, Greece and Israel will take part in an intensive workshop during which they will work together in order to kickstart their respective storylines for an upcoming short film. Two of the participants will be invited to take part in Talents and Short Film Market vol. 8, in November 2023 in Turin, Italy.

Info Sessions for film professionals

This year's parallel programme will also include two info sessions: on **Wednesday 11/10**, at **12.30** at **the Rialto Cafeteria**, Nenad Bogdanovic, Planning and Development Coordinator for European Programmes and Cultural Relations, Head of "Creative Europe" Cyprus, will present the programme "Creative Europe – Media: supporting the film industry in the contemporary digital environment."

A second info session for film professionals will take place on **Thursday**, **12/10**, **at 19:00 backstage at the Rialto**, with the ISFFC hosting the Director of the Greek Film Centre, Athena Kartalou, who will present the GFC short film funding programmes.

* Parallel Events screenings do not require seat reservation in advance.

For more information about the ISFFC, please follow <u>www.isffc.com.cy</u> and the festival's social network pages.

All films are suitable only for 18+.

All films will be screened in their original language with English and Greek subtitles.

Information: Rialto Theatre 77 77 77 45

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