



FLICKERFEST SHORT FILM FESTIVAL 2014

OFFICIAL COMPETITIVE PROGRAMME UNVEILED!

After much anticipation Flickerfest 2014 is now thrilled to reveal the full festival programme with this year again promising to be bigger and better than ever! After once again receiving a record number of entries (over 2200!!), the selection committee have worked tirelessly across many months to select the very best 107 films in official competition at Flickerfest 2014. This year, Flickerfest's official Academy® Accredited competition boasts an expanded programme of 59 Australian shorts in competition, 32 International, 10 documentary and 6 Greenflicks with the official competition including 19 world premieres and 65 Australian premieres.

All films officially selected at Flickerfest are competing for a number of prizes across all areas of the film making craft including the Flickerfest Award For Best Film, Yoram Gross award For Best Animation and Flickerfest Award For best Australian film, all Academy ® Accredited.

The hotly contested competition categories also include **Flickerup**, a competition open to student filmmakers from primary to high school age. A number of special showcases and forums will also screen out of the competition.

Also back by popular demand in 2014 is **FLICKERLAB** - A one day journey from SHORTS to FEATURES taking place on the 17th of January, presented by SAE Creative Media Institute. FLICKERFEST is suitably excited to announce that our key director this year will be -multi winning director **David Michôd** (Animal Kingdom, The Rover) who will take us on an intimate journey across his film making career in conversation with SMH film writer Garry Maddox. Other film industry leaders who will share their vast film knowledge across the day include Michael Lucas (Writer, Not Suitable for Children, Offspring) and Louise Fox (Writer, Love My Way, Dead Europe).

The 2014 FLICKERFEST jury will once again be comprised of the who's who of Australian film. This year, we're delighted to welcome the incomparable **Rachel Ward** (Director, Beautiful Kate) who will be joined by James Mullighan (Creative Director, Cork Film Festival Ireland), Darren Dale (Director, Blackfella Films) and Maeve Dermody (Actress, Griff, Beautiful Kate) to name a few.

FLICKERFEST is Australia's only Academy®™ accredited and BAFTA recognised short film festival and kicks off the summer cinema season under the stars at Bondi Beach, screening the best short films from Australia and the world in the chilled and iconic location of the Bondi Pavilion from Friday 10th January to Sunday 19th January. In 2014 it celebrates its 23rd birthday.

After wrapping up the ten day Sydney event the very best flicks from the festival will then hit the road to 50 destinations across the country for its annual tour



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between January and May 2014. **FLICKERFEST** is fresh bite-sized global cinema at its very best - the must-attend summer event not to be missed!

Flickerfest Director Bronwyn Kidd, now celebrating her 17th festival with Flickerfest said "Im thrilled to present this years programme once again made up of some of the most breathtakingly innovative and exciting short films and film makers the world has to offer and proud that Flickerfest continues to maintain its vision to present Australian audiences with one of the most highly competitive and respected short film festivals in our region of the world.

To purchase tickets or to view the full FLICKERFEST programmer, head to the brand new FLICKERFEST website – www.flickerfest.com.au

Check out the fabulously funny OFFICIAL FLICKERFEST TRAILER here:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oDZF2VzX12M>

This year, the much anticipated theme revolved around the coveted cult classic, The Blues Brothers and saw them descend upon our iconic Bondi beach in a brilliantly crafted comic parody. The trailer was directed by acclaimed director (and FLICKERFEST award winner), **Alex Weinress for Hixon Films** and starred local favourites **Emma Lung, Guy Edmonds, Matt Zeremes and Charlie Garber**. Alex won the Jury Award for Highly Commended Australian Short Film at Flickerfest 2013.

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