



FLICKERFEST 2022

31st INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

Festival: 21st - 30th January 2022, Bondi Beach, Sydney, Australia
Tour: February - October 2022, 45+ venues Australia-wide

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Now in it's 31st year, FLICKERFEST Short Film Festival returns to Bondi in January 2022 before touring the nation

KEY INFORMATION

21st Jan - 30th Jan, 2022, Bondi Beach
Touring nationally Feb - Oct (45 + dates)
[LINK](#) to generic Flickerfest images

Program highlights to be announced with tickets on sale from mid December 2021

Flickerfest, Australia's most respected short film festival celebrates its 31st birthday in 2022 kicking off the summer cinema season in an enchanting pop-up festival garden under the stars and under the big top, park side at Bondi Beach from the 21st January.

This not to be missed ten day event will showcase some of the worlds best short films from Australia and the world on the big screen. Bringing them to the relaxed and iconic environment of Bondi Beach this summer in partnership with Waverley Council, in a bespoke festival garden complete with outdoor lawn cinema, The Famous Spiegeltent indoor cinema and a panoramic beachside bar.

This year, Flickerfest has handpicked 109 of the most inspiring short films from a massive pool of over 3,200 entries, to move, inspire and entertain this year's audiences with the very best short films Australia & the world has to offer, across 29 dedicated festival programmes featuring 30 world premieres, 65 Australian premieres and 24 NSW premieres & a further 100 shorts films across a range of short film showcases.

Following the festival in Sydney, Flickerfest will share the short film love on tour to over 45 venues across Australia between February and October, 2022.

Flickerfest is Australia's largest short film competition and the only one with Academy® accreditation and BAFTA recognition ensuring all of the selected films are entertaining, inspiring and highly creative cinema gems. The shorts in competition at Flickerfest are vying fiercely for a number of prestigious prizes including the Flickerfest Award for Best International Short Film, the Yoram Gross Award for Best International Animation, the Panasonic Lumix for Best Australian Short Film and the Flickerfest Award for Best Documentary - all of which are Academy® Qualifying.

Alongside the best of short films from Australia and the world in competition, audiences will also be delighted with a celebration of youth filmmaking from across Australia (**SAE FlickerUp**) amazing LBTQI films in competition at home and across the world (**Rainbow Shorts**) and special showcases of kids and family friendly films (**FlickerKids**), films about relationships (**Love Bites**), hilarious comedy films (**Short Laughs**) and a **Best Of European Union** finalists screening.

Join Flickerfest this summer for the most fabulous, not to be missed beachside cinema, hitting Bondi from the 21st – 30th January 2022.

For programme and ticketing information head to www.flickerfest.com.au



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Now in its 31st year, Flickerfest is supported by some of the biggest and most respected names in the Australian film industry, See just a few comments from some of the country's film industry royalty.

"It was more than 30 years ago that a few actor friends and myself began our first Theatre Company in what was then the upstairs theatre at the Bondi Pavilion. From there, supported by people in the industry, we were able to get our start, so it's a great thing that just outside the forecourt, Flickerfest now gives a similar opportunity for short filmmakers to have a stage upon which they can present their short films in our local neighbourhood."

- Baz Luhrmann, Director and Flickerfest Supporter

"The Short Film is a place to experiment and push boundaries. Flickerfest allows emerging voices to be seen and heard, and established voices the chance to revitalise. It's fitting that such a cutting edge, internationally recognised film festival takes place in an unconventional and vibrant setting: under the stars, on the beach, in Australia."

- Cate Blanchett, Oscar winning actress and Flickerfest Supporter

"Being a Bondi local is not the only reason I've eagerly attended Flickerfest for many years. It's the only international short film festival and it's under the stars. Rare and romantic. I hope we can all enjoy this important showcase for years to come."

- Claudia Karvan, Actress and Flickerfest Patron

