



## **RIFF AWARDS 2023**

## **ROME INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL**

16th/24th November 2023

The **22nd edition** of the **RIFF – Rome Independent Film Festival**, will take place in Rome from the 16th to the 24th November 2023 **more than 80 contemporary works in competition among world and European premieres**.

**Italian premieres**: 4 international feature films, 6 italian feature films, 12 documentaries, 50 short films (25 of which are italian and 25 are international), 8 animated videos.

Premiere italian feature films, **debuts and second films**; short films of new production, **experimental**, **avant-gard films** and **animations**.

Fiction films in competition: Andrà tutto bene by Alessio Gonnella, Ciure' by Giampiero Pumo, L'Anima in Pace by Ciro Formisano, L'altra luna by Carlo Chiaramonte (Italya/Bosnia and Herzegovina). Tales Of Babylon by Pelayo de Lario (UK). White Paradise by Guillaume Renusson (France). Kemba by Kelley Kali (USA). Rosie by Gail Maurice (Canada).

Ten documentaries in competition: *Primo - Sempre Grezzo* by Guido Maria Coscino, *Ma·tri·mò·nio* by Gaia Siria Meloni. *Dinos Dark Room* by Corrado Rizza, *L'interruttore* by Antonio Catanese, *Malavita* by Paolo Colangeli, *Tutto è qui* by Silvia Luciani, *Light Falls Vertical* by Efthymia Zymvragaki (Spain, Germany, Italy, Netherlands). *Documerica, Self-Portrait of A Nation on The Brink* by Pierre-Francois Didek (France). *Timekeeper* by Kristina Paustian (Germany, Italy, Russia). *Planet B* by Pieter Van Ecke (Belgium).

**Events of the Festival: The Focus: A Sense of Place** the Antological Documentary produced by **Wim Wenders** (Germany, France, Iran) with the direction of 6 film makers. A programme created by Afsun Moshiry in collaboration with the **Wim Wenders** foundation.

**The jury** of this edition is made up of professionals in the field: the actors **Manuela Mandracchia** and **Antonio Folletto**, the assistant director **Alberto Mangiante**, **Luca Mezzaroma**, the Executive Producer of the Lotus Production, the musician **Massimo di Rocco**, the casting director **Davide Zurolo**, **Viba Diba**, architect and Product Manager, **Pegah Moshir**, Social Media Manager, **Ruben Maria Soriquez** (actor).

**Nuovo Cinema Aquila** is the main location of the Festival, some evening events will be held at the **Troisi Cinema**; the programme will be complemented by some masterclasses, workshops and pitches, which will take place in the theatre, in two libraries: **Biblioteca Goffredo Mameli and Collina della Pace.** 

The RIFF Awards, has been organized thanks to the contribution and the patronage of the General Direction of Cinema - Ministry of Culture, to the 'Councilorship for Culture and Youth Policies of the Lazio Region. The project, promoted by Rome, Capitale-Culture Department, is the winning project of the public announcement "Cultures on the move 2023 – 2024" carried out by the Department of Cultural Activities in Rome and it is created in collaboration with SIAE.

visit the virtual press room in order to access the catalogue, the programme and a high resolution photo gallery of the selected films. You can watch the trailers on our YouTube Channel, Riff

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