

Annual Action! The 9TH Annual Oakville film Festival is set to kick off with industry events and over 100 films

The Oakville Festivals of Film and Art presents their largest and most diverse Film Festival, both live and virtual, from June 22nd-28th, 2022

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—OAKVILLE, ON—The 9th Annual Oakville film festival is fast approaching, and OFFA is thrilled to be back in theatres for 2022 with a hybrid event that includes both live and virtual screenings from June 22nd-28th, 2022. Oakville Film Festival of Arts (OFFA) will present 113 films over the course of 7 days, as well as a two-day Industry Summit.

Live and virtual programming, including events will be held at the two primary venues: Film.ca cinemas in Oakville, and The Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts. Patrons can choose either a virtual or live screening if they are available, for the same price. Virtual screenings will be available from the date of screening to the end of the festival on Wednesday June 23rd at midnight.

For the full listing, description and facts about the 113 films being showcased, please visit: https://offa2022.eventive.org/films

Screenings and events to note:

Opening Virtual Night on Tuesday June 22nd, 2022: Ukrainian Filmmakers Showcase. Films <u>Donbass</u> and <u>Ivan the Powerful</u> will be available online to a Canadian audience and all proceeds go to the Ukrainian World Congress in support of their Unite with Ukraine campaign.

Thursday June 23rd, 2002: Regional Festival Premiere, <u>The Phantom of the Open</u> is the opening night red carpet gala, with a special performance by the ArtHouse Urban Dancers specially choreographed to go with the film.

Friday June 24th, 2022: Canadian Theatrical Premiere, <u>Tehranto</u>, featuring a vocal performance by This film will be live and live streamed

Friday June 24th, 2022- Saturday 24th June: OFFA presents its **Industry Summit, two days of industry events** for the Canadian Film Industry and local filmmakers at the Oakville Powerboat Club in Oakville and Oakville Centre for the Performing Events. Will also be live streamed for those who cannot attend in person

Saturday June 25th - Sunday June 26th - 16 features and documentaries, and over 70 short films, will screen at <u>film.ca</u> cinemas from 11 am each morning until 11 pm Sunday evening.

Saturday June 25th, 2022: 3-4 pm OFFA presents, **JURY AWARDS EVENT,** recognizing exceptional film makers with nine unique industry awards, featuring cash prizes and in-kind prizing from William F White International. The Audience Choice award will follow the festival.

Saturday June 25th, 2022 7 pm-10 pm: An Evening to Celebrate Ukrainian Arts and Culture featuring: Chantal Kreviazuk in support of the Ukrainian World Foundation.

In partnership with The Ukrainian World Foundation, in cooperation with the Ukrainian World Congress, Chantal Kreviazuk, The Barvinok Ukrainian Dance School, and ZIRKOVA Vodka, the event includes a performance by **Chantal Kreviazuk** and dance by the **Barvinok Ukrainian Dance School**, as well as a screening of the Ukrainian film The Earth is Blue as an Orange. A live auction will raise additional funds.

For more information about the festival, film screenings, and exclusive Q&A's, please visit: OFFA.ca

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To schedule an interview with Festival Co-Founder, Wendy Donnan, request an interview with one of the film directors, actors, or producers, or to request a media pass, please contact:

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ABOUT OFFA

Established in 2014, OFFA is a cultural not-for-profit that envisions a community of cultural and artistic diversity with the cinematic arts as a focal point. OFFA produces Oakville's only independent film festival which is now in its 9th year, and is now a hybrid festival, featuring live and digital events. For more information on this year's 9th annual hybrid festival which is set to happen June 22-28th the longest festival yet at seven days and over 100 films, please visit OFFA.ca. @oakvillefestivals #OFFAonline #OakvilleFilmFestival