

Toronto Worldwide Short Film Festival

Toronto, June 5-11
106-60 Atlantic Ave., Toronto M6K 1X9
Phone: 416-535-8506 Fax: 416-535-8342
E-mail: twsf@idirect.com
Director: Brenda Sherwood
The Toronto Worldwide Short Film Festival has become recognized as one of the premiere short-film festivals and one of the only short-film festivals in Canada recognized by the Oscars.

Desh Pardesh

Toronto, June 6-11
450-401 Richmond St. W., Toronto M5V 3A8
Phone: 416-340-0485 Fax: 416-340-1418
E-mail: desh@ican.net
Web: www.home.ican.net/~desh
Director: Vashit Persaud

Splice This! Toronto's Super 8mm Film Festival

Toronto, June 23-25
423 Shaw St., Toronto M6J 2X4
Phone: 416-537-2256
E-mail: coldsore@interlog.com
Web: www.interlog.com/~coldsore
Director: Laura Cowell, Kelly O'Brien
This small-gauge freakout weekend features live music, installations, performances, panel discussions, workshops and Super 8 films of every variety from the far reaches of the world.

Salon de Refuses

Toronto, September 5-6
LIFT
301-37 Hanna Ave., Toronto M6K 1W8
Phone: 416-588-6444 Fax: 416-588-7017
E-mail: lift@inforamp.net
Web: www.lift.on.ca
Director: Deborah McInnes
LIFT presents a non-curated selection of Canadian films that were rejected by the Toronto International Film Festival.

Toronto International Film Festival

Toronto, September 7-16
1600-2 Carlton St., Toronto M5B 1J3
Phone: 416-968-FILM Fax: 416-967-9477
Email: tiff@torfilmfest.ca
Web: www.bell.ca/filmfest
Director: Piers Handling
The Toronto International Film Festival is the largest and most popular in North America and second only to Cannes in importance for filmmakers and distributors to launch their films. Included is Perspective Canada, the best selection of Canadian features and shorts in the world.

Cinefest

Sudbury, September 18-24
218-40 Elm St., Sudbury P3C 1S8
Phone: 705-688-1234 Fax: 705-688-1351
E-mail: cinefest@vianet.on.ca
Web: www.cinefest.com
Director: Tammy Fricker
Currently screening both 16mm and 35mm full-length features, shorts, documentaries and animation from around the world. Cinefest attracts over 25,000 film fans for some 100 films over seven days.

Ottawa International Animation Festival

Ottawa, September 19-24 (every two years)
120-2 Daly Ave., Ottawa K1N 6E2
Phone: 613-232-8769 Fax: 613-232-6315
E-mail: safo@ottawa.com
Web: awn.com/safo
Director: Chris Robinson
The largest animation event in North America. There is an official competition for independent work, commissioned work and Internet animation. In addition, there are tributes and special screenings, professional development and training workshops, seminars and an Animate Trade Fair.

Planet in Focus: Toronto Environmental Film Festival

Toronto, September 28-October 1
37 Melbourne Ave., Toronto M6K 1K4
Phone: 416-537-7742 Fax: 416-516-7801
E-mail: piffest@web.net
Web: www.planetinfocus.org
Director: Mark Haslam
Planet in Focus is Canada's first annual environmental film and video festival with a mandate to promote the use of film and video as catalysts for discussion on the social and ecological health of the planet.

Ottawa International Student Animation Festival

Ottawa, October 2001 (every two years)
120-2 Daly Ave., Ottawa K1N 6E2
Phone: 613-232-8769 Fax: 613-232-6315
E-mail: safo@ottawa.com
Web: www.awn.com/safo
Director: Chris Robinson
The first and only festival devoted to student and emerging animators. Competition for high school, Internet, graduate and first professional films.

Barrie Film Festival

Barrie, October 19-22
147 Toronto St., Barrie L4N 1V3
Phone: 705-721-9696 Fax: 705-739-1391
E-mail: maclaren@maclarenart.com
Web: www.maclarenart.com
Director: Julinda Morrow
A celebration of film, including special guests, feature films, short films and gala events. The films represent the best of Canadian and foreign fare.

Moving Pictures Festival of Dance on Film and Video

Toronto, October 17-22
102-253 College St., Toronto M5T 1R5
Phone: 416-961-5424 Fax: 416-961-5624
E-mail: movingpix@total.net
Web: www.total.net/~movingpix.com
Director: Kathleen M. Smith
Moving Pictures is Canada's only festival devoted to the intersections of dance and the media arts. The week-long festival of screenings, panels and performance events is followed by a national tour.

Rendezvous With Madness Film Festival

Toronto, November 15-19
The Workman Theatre Project
1001 Queen St. W., Toronto M6J 1H4
Phone: 416-583-4339 Fax: 416-583-4354
E-mail: rendezvous@sympatico.ca
Web: www.rendezvouswithmadness.com
Director: Lisa Brown
The festival's mandate is to screen short films with features that explore the realities and myths of mental illness, mental-health problems and/or addictions.

Toronto Reel Asian International Film Festival

Toronto, November 23-26
205-80 Spadina Ave., Toronto M5V 2J3
Phone: 416-410-0876 Fax: 416-703-9986
E-mail: info@reelasian.com
Web: www.reelasian.com
Director: Caroline Sin
A four-day festival with an emphasis on Asian independent visions and emerging talent.

Shadows of the Mind Film Festival

Sault Ste. Marie, late February
205 McNabb St., 3rd Fl., Sault Ste. Marie
P6B 1Y3
Phone: 705-256-2226 Fax: 705-256-8233
E-mail: moshea@soonet.ca
Director: Mark Stevenson
Shadows of the Mind Film Festival is a friend of Toronto's Rendezvous With Madness Film Festival, and like Rendezvous, attempts to act as a catalyst for generating thought and discussion about mental health and addiction as portrayed in film.

Cinéfranco Film Festival

Toronto, March 22-25
106-1027 Yonge St., Toronto M4W 2K9
Phone: 416-928-6595
Web: www.cinefranco.com
Director: Marcelle Lean

Northwest Film Festival

Thunder Bay, March 29-April 1
North of Superior Film Association
352-1100 Memorial Ave., Thunder Bay P7B 4A3
Phone: 807-625-5450
E-mail: mascarin@air.on.ca
Director: Marty Mascarin
The Northwest Film Festival is an annual spring film festival held in Thunder Bay which features Canadian and international films, usually over a four-day period.

Sprockets: Toronto International Film Festival For Children

Toronto, held over two weekends in mid-April
1600-2 Carlton St., Toronto M5B 1J3
Phone: 416-968-FILM Fax: 416-967-1595
E-mail: proffice@torfilmfest.ca
Web: www.bell.ca/filmfest/sprockets
Director: Jane Schoettle
From the people who bring you the Toronto International Film Festival, a two-weekend film series of international live-action and animated family films with children's workshops.

Images Festival of Independent Film and Video

Toronto, April 12-21
448-401 Richmond St. W., Toronto M5V 3A8
Phone: 416-971-8405 Fax: 416-971-7412
E-mail: images@interlog.com
Web: www.interlog.com/~images
Director: Kelly Langgard
Images profiles film, video, digital arts and related installation works on the independent leading edge around the world.

Hot Docs: Canadian International Documentary Festival

Toronto, First week in May
490 Adelaide St. W., Toronto M5V 1T2
Phone: 416-203-2155 Fax: 416-203-0446
E-mail: pgrove@hotdocs.ca
Web: www.hotdocs.ca
Directors: Chris McDonald, Karen Tisch
An annual celebration of excellence in documentary film and television: Hot Docs has built a reputation for showcasing the best in documentary cinema.

Toronto Jewish Film Festival

Toronto, May 4-11
33 Prince Arthur Ave., 2nd Fl., Toronto M5R 1B2
Phone: 416-324-9121 Fax: 416-324-8668
E-mail: tiff@interlog.com
Web: www.tiff.com
Director: Shlomo Schwartzberg
The festival showcases feature films, shorts and documentaries on the Jewish experience around the world and is the second-largest Jewish film festival in North America.

Welland Film Festival

Welland, May 5-7
39 Calla Terrace, Welland L3C 5S6
Phone: 905-732-5428 Fax: 905-732-7030
E-mail: philias.giroux@sympatico.ca
Director: Marc-Yvain Giroux

Inside Out: Lesbian and Gay Film and Video Festival of Toronto

Toronto, May 18-28
456-401 Richmond St. W., Toronto M5V 3A8
Phone: 416-977-6847 Fax: 416-977-8025
E-mail: inside@insideout.on.ca
Web: www.insideout.on.ca
Director: Rachel Giese
One of the world's best and largest queer festivals and Toronto's second most popular film festival, in terms of attendees. Last year it screened over 320 works.

Headwaters Spring Film Fest

Orangeville, May 29
Uptown Cinema
219 Broadway, Orangeville L9W 1K4
Phone: 1-800-332-9744
E-mail: info@headwaters tourism.com
Web: www.headwaters tourism.com
Director: Jan Smith
A day-long festival with shorts, features and special guests, hors d'oeuvres, fine Ontario wine and popcorn.