

HIFF HAWAII
INTERNATIONAL
FILM FESTIVAL



Film Starts Here

A celluloid bridge across the pan-Pacific region, HIFF is dedicated to Asian and Pacific Rim films and prides itself on its “East Meets West” philosophy. With its base as one of the premier vacation spots in the world (with screenings on the beach), discovering new filmmakers is as easy as the aloha lifestyle.



HIFF OVERVIEW

Established in 1981, Hawaii International Film Festival is dedicated to advancing the understanding and cultural exchange among the peoples of Asia, the Pacific, and North America through the medium of film.

- One of 20 film festivals accredited by Hollywood Foreign Press Association
- The only American film festival certified by Network For The Promotion of Asian Cinema (NETPAC)
- Over 100,000 admissions every year, with a statistically proven more affluent and educated audience group.
- Unique screening venues include: the historic Hawaii Theatre, Sunset on the Beach at Waikiki, Regal Dole Cannery Stadium 18 cinemas, and Honolulu Academy of Arts

THE ONLY STATE-WIDE CULTURAL EVENT WITH YEAR-ROUND EVENTS:

- Oscar Night America® Party - February
- Spring Showcase - April
- Summer Fest - August
- LOUIS VUITTON Hawaii International Film Festival - October

SIGNATURE EVENTS:

- Opening Night Gala
- Governor’s Reception at Washington Place (Residence of the Governor)
- Awards Ceremony & Reception
- Meet the Film Makers Reception
- Music Video Mixer at local clubs
- Closing Night Gala

AWARDS INCLUDE:

- Golden Orchid Award for Best Narrative Feature
- Golden Orchid Award for Best Documentary Feature
- Video On Demand Viewers’ Choice Award
- Best Shorts
- Audience Choice
- Vision in Film
- Film in Hawaii
- Achievement in Acting
- NETPAC Award

“Through films, HIFF brings the rich content & film art of different cultures around the world to Hawaii’s local community and tourists. Louis Vuitton is proud to be the title sponsor of HIFF for the seventh year and to support the art & culture activities and enrichment of Hawaii as the premium tourism destination.”
- Dale Ruff, Regional Vice President, Louis Vuitton

EDUCATION/PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Industry and Public Seminars
- Guest Film Maker Classroom Visits
- International Student Showcase
- Statewide Student Seminars
- Statewide Educational Teleconference
- Cultural & Visual Literacy Program

PARTNERSHIPS

- Shanghai International Film Festival
- Academy For Creative Media, University of Hawaii at Manoa
- HIFF Package with Travel Industry Partners
- State of Hawaii Department of Education

NOTABLE PAST FILMS:

BABEL, THE BANQUET, BATTLE ROYALE, BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM, BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN, CROUCHING TIGER HIDDEN DRAGON, THE DIVING BELL AND THE BUTTERFLY, EAT DRINK MAN WOMAN, THE GRUDGE, HULA GIRLS, IN THE MOOD FOR LOVE, THE KITE RUNNER, THE SAVAGES, TWILIGHT SAMURAI, VOLVER, YELLOW EARTH

PAST ATTENDEES INCLUDE:

Maggie Cheung, Toni Colette, Roger Ebert, Hou Hsiao-Hsien, Samuel L. Jackson, Niki Karimi, Ang Lee, Lee Byung Hyun, Jason Scott Lee, Mary McDonnell, Johnathan Rhys Meyers, Alexander Payne, Donald Richie, Bryan Singer, Kevin Smith, Cary-Hiroyuki Tagawa, Quentin Tarantino, Ken Watanabe, David Wenham, Zhang Yimou



“A Premiere showcase for films of the Pacific Rim.”
- Roger Ebert

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