



Film Festival Essentials: What's on October 13

Media representatives have numerous opportunities for interviews and photo calls today, with delegations from 10 films available for interview, as well as those with films screening today. Please see the press schedule for details.

Family Day at Marina Mall

Saturday 13 October is our dedicated family day. The exhibition space on the Ground Floor of Marina Mall will host film-related fun for the whole family from 13:00 to 22:00 and the programme at Vox cinemas in Marina Mall includes four titles especially chosen for family viewing, starting with a new, all-Italian animated version of PINOCCHIO at 16:15, attended by Director Enzo D'Alò and Producer Maricia Affatato.

At 16:30 Producer Jub Clerc will attend the Middle East premiere of SATELLITE BOY, a live-action drama about a young Aboriginal boy who sets out across a barren Australian wilderness to save his home from demolition. At 18:30 catch MOON MAN, a delightful adaptation Tomi Ungerer's best-selling book about the day the man in the moon catches a comet to earth to meet children. At 18.45 is a screening of the newly restored print of 20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA (1954), Disney's glorious adaptation of Jules Verne's classic tale.

Workshops and Panels

Two free masterclasses at Emirates Palace are open to the public. At 17:00 author and film industry consultant Angus Finney leads 'Bringing your film to market: From the set to the box office', focusing on the strategies that film-makers need to sell their film. At 20:00 Christine Tröstrum and Matthijs Wouter Knol from the Berlinale, one of the world's



most respected film festivals, will present on the acclaimed Berlinale Talent Campus.

On the screen

The first film of the day, BAB EL-OUED CITY (1994), screens at 15:00 at Marina Mall, the first of two classics of Algerian cinema screening on this date. Star Mohamed Ourdache will attend the screening.

The other Algerian film screening is Z (1969), directed by Costa Gravas and starring Yves Montand as well as Jean-Louis Trintignant. Award-winning editor Françoise Bonnot will attend the film.

Three entrants in the Narrative Feature Competition will screen: The Turkish film ARAF/SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN screens at 16:00, Lu Chuan's THE LAST SUPPER screens at 18:45, and Sally Potter's GINGER AND ROSA screens at 21:30.

Bariş Hacıhan, star of ARAF/SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN, will attend that screening with Producers Catherine Dussart and Serkan Cakerer. Director Lu Chuan and actor Qin Lan will attend the screening of THE LAST SUPPER.

In the New Horizons competition, Emin Alper's BEYOND THE HILL screens at 19:00 at Marina Mall. Alper, who won the Best First Feature Special Mention at Berlinale with this film in February, will attend the film, along with Producer Enis Kostepen and actor Berk Hakman.

EAT, SLEEP, DIE screens at 21:15 as part of New Horizons. Star Nermina Lukac will attend with Producer China Ahlander.



Non-fiction highlights include the World Premiere of IN SEARCH OF OIL AND SAND at 21:00, directed by Wael Omar and Philippe Dib. The film, an entrant in the Documentary competition, received funding from SANAD in 2011. Producer Mahmoud Sabit will attend.

At 17:00 there is a screening of SAVING FACE, the Academy Award-winning documentary about Pakistani women who suffer disfiguring acid attacks by their husbands and families. Three doctors featured in the documentary who try to help the women will be at the screening.

At 21:00 Producers Elizabeth Karlsen and Stephen Woolley will attend the Showcase screening of Mike Newell's adaptation of Dickens' Great Expectations, starring Helena Bonham Carter and Ralph Fiennes.

This is the first year the Abu Dhabi Film Festival has been presented under the management of TwoFour54, as part of the plan to strategically align the festival alongside Abu Dhabi's other media initiatives and related events, reinforcing Abu Dhabi as the creative hub for the region supporting film production.

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