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The program enables the Government to support medium to large events in regional Western Australia to boost tourism and local jobs, increase community vibrancy and participation (including outside of the typical tourist season), and further develop regional areas.

It also plays an important role in positioning Western Australia as an exciting destination to visit and a great place to live by showcasing and promoting a region's unique points of difference and diverse attractions, particularly through media coverage of events.

Tourism is a key part of the State Government's plan to diversify the economy, create jobs and develop business opportunities, through helping regional economies and communities to grow and thrive.

Events are a vital part of this plan, with the Government sponsoring a range of sporting, cultural, arts and culinary events across the State, through Tourism Western Australia, to attract visitors and encourage them to stay longer, disperse further and do more while they are here.

We hope everyone enjoys this event and takes the time to explore the dreamlike South West region.



HON RITA SAFFIOTI MLA
Deputy Premier
Minister For Tourism

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rita Saffioti'.



HON DON PUNCH MLA
Minister For Regional
Development

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Punch'.

CHAIR'S MESSAGE



Kaya. On behalf of the CinifestOZ team, I am thrilled to present to you our 16th CinifestOZ Film Festival Program.

Unique Australian stories are at the heart of the CinifestOZ Film Festival, and we hope you will love this year's film selections, which celebrate the diversity of our country and its people.

If you have been a guest of CinifestOZ previously, you'll know that in addition to our cinema screenings there's also a wonderful selection of film events held at art galleries, wineries, breweries, bars, and restaurants, where you'll have the opportunity to meet some of our visiting filmmakers and enjoy sumptuous food and wine from the Margaret River region.

A unique aspect of the festival is the **\$100,000 annual Film Prize** - the richest film prize dedicated to Australian feature films.

Accompanying each Film Prize screening is an **After Party** and **In Conversation Dining** event, as well as the **Jury Lunch**, where the high-profile Jury of industry experts will discuss each of the films ahead of the winner's announcement at our spectacular **Film Award Celebration**.

More films will also be in competition as part of the flourishing **Short Film** section of the festival, and the **Cinesnaps** schools' program.

A returning highlight are our **First Nations** film screenings as part of **IndigifestOZ** along with special workshops and performances as part of the **Community Days** and **Free Community Screenings**.

Our flourishing **Industry Program** continues with international and national guest speakers.



Congratulations to the CinefestOZ team, interns, volunteers and Board - it is a pleasure to work with such passionate and professional people. A sincere thank you also to our many sponsors, donors, friends, festival goers, the local community, and our talented filmmakers. Your support is essential to making this fabulous event happen, year on year.

MARGARET BUSWELL Chair, CinefestOZ Film Festival



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The City of Busselton is a welcoming, relaxed and naturally stunning location and the ideal setting to host CinefestOZ.

We hope you enjoy all that this iconic film festival and all that this region has to offer. You will be spoilt for choice with an impressive line-up of festival events being held in and around our beautiful City.

There are also numerous wineries, restaurants, microbreweries, gourmet food and retail offerings to take in whilst in the region. Our beautiful beaches, landscapes and natural forests are the perfect backdrop for this world renowned event.



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WELCOME BUSSELTON



This is always such an exciting time in the City of Busselton, welcoming the celebration of all things film and culture that is CinefestOZ!

The City is a very proud sponsor of this wonderful home-grown event, which has captured the hearts and minds of locals and visitors alike since its inception in 2008. Now in its 16 th year, the festival has grown in strength and stature, providing a must-do experience for movie lovers, creatives and industry representatives.

CinefestOZ brings great energy and a sense of pride to the City's growing cultural scene. Through its exciting program of unique films, workshops, schools programs and other industry events the festival offers something for everyone, regardless of your age.

Thank you to the CinefestOZ team for your creativity and dedication, sharing your vision and bringing us this wonderful festival every year. We look forward to another amazing CinefestOZ in 2023!

MAYOR GRANT HENLEY



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WELCOME BUNBURY



The City of Bunbury welcomes back CinefestOZ for 2023, and thanks the team for once again bringing an exciting lineup of local events, screenings and films to our region.

The arts and culture scene in our beautiful City is a proud, creative and vibrant one, led by an ambitious, inspired and equally creative community.

I encourage everyone to take part in this year's festival and take full advantage of the unique events being held at incredible venues across our City and the South West.

MAYOR JAYSEN DE SAN MIGUEL

Close to home.
Far from expected.



BUNBURY
Brighter.

WELCOME AUGUSTA-MARGARET RIVER



The Shire of Augusta Margaret River welcomes CinefestOZ back to our region for 2023! The line-up of events at this year's festival brings a wealth of entertainment and creativity to our Shire. We look forward to seeing the screens at Nala Bardip Mia-Margaret River HEART come to life with some of Australia's best new films.

The community screenings being held in Augusta and Margaret River will provide a unique chance for locals to access films they may otherwise not get to experience. Our Shire is a vibrant hub for the arts and it's fabulous to see opportunities for budding filmmakers, through the Cinesnaps Schools Program, as well as the stars on the big screen, and behind the scenes. We're extremely proud to support this festival through our Major Events Grant funding and I encourage visitors and locals to take part in all it has to offer.

SHIRE PRESIDENT PAULA CRISTOFFANINI

Proud to Support a Creative Culture

The Shire of Augusta Margaret River is proud to host CinefestOz and to support this iconic event through Major Events funding. Enjoy the region and our diverse local talent and have a fabulous stay.



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FILM PRIZE FINALIST

WA PREMIERE



SCREENING

Wed 30 Aug | 5.30pm
Orana Cinemas

Unclassified

SHAYDA MIFF@CinefestOZ

An Iranian woman living in Australia, Shayda finds refuge in a women's shelter with her frightened 6-year-old daughter, Mona. Having fled her husband, Hossein, and filed for divorce, Shayda struggles to maintain normalcy for Mona. Buoyed by the approach of Nowruz (Persian New Year), she tries to forge a fresh start with new and unfettered freedoms. But when a judge grants Hossein visitation rights, he re-enters their life, stoking Shayda's fear that he'll attempt to take Mona back to Iran. Drawn from personal experiences, Iranian-Australian filmmaker Noora Niasari's powerful debut feature is a beautifully crafted, poetic *vérité* portrayal of courage and compassion, anchored by a heart-rending performance by Zar Amir Ebrahimi (2022 Cannes' best actress award winner for *Holy Spider*).


OPENING NIGHT FILM PRIZE SCREENING

Wed 30 Aug | 5.30pm | Orana Cinemas

Followed by an after party at Shelter Brewing Co

IN CONVERSATION LUNCH

Thur 31 Aug | 12.00pm | Rustico

 118 mins
Drama

Director

Noora Niasari

Producer

Vincent Sheehan,
Noora Niasari

Screenwriter

Noora Niasari

Cast

Zar Amir Ebrahimi,
Osamah Sami,
Leah Purcell, Jillian
Nguyen, Mojean Aria,
Rina Mousavi, Selina
Zahednia



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WORLD PREMIERE



SCREENING

Thur 31 Aug | 5.30pm

Orana Cinemas

Sat 2 Sep | 6.00pm

Margaret River Heart



BROMLEY: LIGHT AFTER DARK

Light after Dark is a love story and a rousing exploration of life and creativity. David Bromley found that art appeased the voices in his head and helped him find beauty in the world, so he made the life-changing decision to commit his whole being to something meaningful. With intimate access to the world of this prominent Australian artist, we peel away layers of anxiety, phobias and suicide survival; we meet friends, critics and musicians who add perspectives and insight on his creative process, mental health, and the commercialisation of art; and we discover the ever-present humour, energy, and love that is anchored in the powerful partnership between David and his wife Yuge.

FILM PRIZE SCREENING

Thur 31 Aug | 5.30pm | Orana Cinemas

After the screening head to Goose Beach Bar & Kitchen

IN CONVERSATION LUNCH

Fri 1 Sep | 12.00pm | The Studio Bistro

 94 mins

Documentary,
Arts/Bio

Director

Sean McDonald

Producer

Clare Plueckhahn,
Cathy Rodda

Cast

David Bromley,
Yuge Bromley

FILM PRIZE FINALIST

WA PREMIERE



SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 5.30pm
Orana Cinemas

Sun 3 Sep | 2.00pm
Orana Cinemas

Unclassified

THE ROOSTER MIFF@CinefestOZ

When the body of his oldest friend is found buried in a shallow grave, Dan, a small-town cop, seeks answers from a volatile hermit who was the last person to see his friend alive. As Dan gets closer to the truth, he must confront his own personal demons and he discovers that hope can be found in unlikely places.


FILM PRIZE SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 5.30pm | Orana Cinemas

After the screening head to Hally's for drinks and canapes

IN CONVERSATION LUNCH

Sat 2 Sep | 12.00pm | Yarri

 101 mins
Drama

Director

Mark Leonard Winter

Producer

Geraldine Hakewill,
Mahveen Shahraki

Screenwriter

Mark Leonard Winter,

Cast

Hugo Weaving,
Phoenix Raei,
John Waters,
Rhys Mitchell,
Robert Menzies,
Deidre Rubenstein,
Tom Stokes,
Jane Montgomery
Griffiths



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SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 8.30pm
Orana Cinemas

Sun 3 Sep | 6.00pm
Margaret River Heart



MONOLITH


A bold sci-fi thriller featuring one woman, one location and a mystery uncovered through audio - in which a journalist discovers a strange artifact and begins to convince herself it is evidence of an alien conspiracy. Recently disgraced and desperate for a story, THE INTERVIEWER holes herself up in her parents' luxurious home and gets to work on the only job she can get - hosting a clickbait investigative podcast. When she receives an anonymous email leading her to a retired housekeeper who claims her life has been destroyed by a strange black brick, The Interviewer embarks on a mystery that leads her down a rabbit hole of truth and lies at the heart of her own story.

FILM PRIZE SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 8.30pm | Orana Cinemas
After the screening head to Hally's for drinks and canapes

IN CONVERSATION BREAKFAST

Sat 2 Sep | 8.30am | Shelter Brewing Co

 94 mins
Sci-Fi, Thriller

Director
Matt Veseley

Producer
Bettina Hamilton

Screenwriter
Lucy Campbell

Cast
Lily Sullivan



EVENTS IN CONVERSATION

Get up close and personal with our visiting filmmakers and talent at CinefestOZ's unique In Conversation experiences. Held at some of our favourite dining hotspots in the Margaret River region, each Film Prize Finalist is paired with an In Conversation the day following the screening where you will be able to relax and discover behind-the-scenes film stories while enjoying plentiful local food, drink and conversation!

EVENTS FILM PRIZE IN CONVERSATION

FILM PRIZE IN CONVERSATION - SHAYDA MIFF@CINEFESTOZ

THUR 31 AUG | 12:00PM | Rustico at Hayshed Hill



In the heart of the Wilyabrup Valley you'll find Rustico at Hay Shed Hill. On arrival sip a glass of Forester wine, then enjoy a delicious, 3 course tapas-style, long-table lunch featuring gourmet, seasonal produce alongside some fabulous Hay Shed Hill refreshments.

FILM PRIZE IN CONVERSATION - BROMLEY: LIGHT AFTER DARK

FRI 1 SEP | 12:00PM | The Studio Bistro



Home to a contemporary art gallery, the Studio Bistro located in Yallingup is the perfect location for the ***Bromley: Light After Dark*** In Conversation. Enjoy a complimentary welcome drink on arrival and some of the best informal dining in the South West with an exciting 3-course menu prepared by Head Chef Michael Stock.

EVENTS FILM PRIZE IN CONVERSATION

FILM PRIZE IN CONVERSATION - MONOLITH

SAT 2 SEP | 8.30AM | Shelter Brewing Co



It's an early start, but we can guarantee the coffee and conversation will be excellent! Situated on the Busselton Foreshore, Shelter Brewing Co. is a new kind of brewery, relaxed, welcoming and genuine. Watch the bay and enjoy a delicious breakfast and a reviving coffee while you immerse yourself in the filmmaking of *Monolith*.

FILM PRIZE IN CONVERSATION - THE ROOSTER MIFF@CINEFESTOZ

SAT 2 SEP | 12:00PM | Yarri Restaurant + Bar



Enjoy the award-winning flavours of co-owner and chef Aaron Carr. Yarri, located in Dunsborough, honours nature, seasonality and the region. Prepare for a delicious, contemporary, three course lunch and welcome beverage on arrival.

EVENTS

IN-CONVERSATION: JURY LUNCH

SAT 2 SEP | 12:00PM | Aravina Estate



Meet the Film Prize Jury as they adjudicate the CinefestOZ Film Prize. This special festival experience allows access to this high profile group of film professionals as they talk about their filmic lives and experiences over lunch. Combine the South West essentials of fine food and wine, generous hospitality and glorious location, and you have a quintessential CinefestOZ experience.

FILM PRIZE CELEBRATION

SAT 2 SEP | 7.00PM | Sabina River Farm



Experience the glamour, drama and spectacle at CinefestOZ's premium evening event. Combining red carpet action, the cream of Australia's filmmaking talent, the awarding of a high profile Screen Legend and, the awarding of the highly coveted \$100,000 CinefestOZ Film Prize PLUS a spectacular cocktail party featuring plentiful food and wine and fabulous entertainment! This year's Film Prize Celebration is being held at Sabina River Farm - a beautiful new venue just outside of Busselton. Dress to impress and wear your dancing shoes!



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SCREENING

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A SAVAGE CHRISTMAS

After years of estrangement, trans woman Davina Savage returns home for Christmas. But family secrets overshadow her visit, threatening their lives and Christmas lunch!

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

Celebrate Christmas in July with us at the screening of the hilarious A Savage Christmas! Ugliest Christmas jumper wins a prize! There'll also be Christmas crackers for everyone!

 90 mins
Comedy

Director
Madeleine Dyer

Producer
Daniel Mulvihill,
Ben McNeill

Screenwriter
Madeleine Dyer,
Daniel Mulvihill,
Max Jahufer

Cast
Darren Gilshenan,
Helen Thomson,
Ryan Morgan,
David Roberts,
Thea Raveneau,
Max Jahufer,
Rekha Ryan,
Gary Sweet

OFFICIAL SELECTION

WA PREMIERE



SCREENING


Sun 3 Sep | 3.00pm
Hoyts Bunbury

Sun 3 Sep | 4.15pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

AUSTRALIA'S OPEN MIFF@CinefestOZ

Every January, the Australian Open commands global attention, but when off court drama steals the show, Australia itself becomes part of the spectacle. AUSTRALIA'S OPEN charts the tournament's rise as it inadvertently reveals Australia's divisions to the world. Through telling archive, compelling play and heavy-hitting interviews, AUSTRALIA'S OPEN captures the poetry and power of the tournament ... because at the Australian Open, there is always more than a game at stake.

 96 mins
Documentary

Director
Ili Baré

Producer
Charlotte Wheaton,
Nick Batzias

Screenwriter
Ili Baré

Cast
Pat Cash,
Tracey Holmes,
Bruce McAvaney,
Frances Tiafoe,
Shelley Ware,
Craig Tiley,
Josh Frydenberg,
Rennae Stubbs



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SCREENING


Sat 2 Sep | 3.15pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

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BIRDEATER

Recently engaged Irene (Shabana Azeez) has been roped into joining her awkward but loving fiancé Louie's (Mackenzie Fearnley) buck's party weekend out in the sticks. Louie's dropkick groomsmen, however, have more in mind than just a quiet glass of pinot by the fire, and as night falls the celebration nosedives into a feverish, drug-fuelled train wreck. Inspired by the likes of 'Wake in Fright', directing duo Jack Clark and Jim Weir present a challenging, darkly comic portrait of young Aussie men that strikes a little too close to home.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 115 mins
Drama Thriller

Director
Jack Clark, Tim Weir

Producer
Stephanie Troost,
Ulysses Oliver

Screenwriter
Jack Clark

Cast
Mackenzie Fearnley,
Shabana Azeez,
Ben Hunter,
Jack Bannister,
Clementine Anderson,
Alfie Gledhill,
Harley Wilson

OFFICIAL SELECTION

WORLD PREMIERE



SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 6.00pm
Hoyts Bunbury

Sat 2 Sep | 3.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

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BRING HIM TO ME

After a violent robbery, a mild-mannered getaway driver is on his way to pick up his cut of the money. Enroute, he receives a fateful call from his merciless boss, Veronica, telling him that the newest member of their crew has double crossed them. Under threat and with little information, Driver is ordered to pick up the young and unsuspecting crew member, known as Passenger, and drive him on an hour-long journey to an ambush execution. With repercussions of the robbery on their tail, Driver's conscience is about to be tested as loyalties and morals collide.

Special Bunbury Friday Night event with screening and filmmaker Q&A.

 93mins
Thriller

Director
Luke Sparke

Producer
Carly Sparke,
Carmel Imrie,
Luke Sparke

Screenwriter
Tom Evans

Cast
Barry Pepper,
Sam Neill,
Rachel Griffiths,
Jamie Costa,
Liam McIntyre

WORLD PREMIERE



SCREENING

Thu 31 Aug | 2.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton


Sat 2 Sep | 1.00pm
Margaret River Heart

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DISCONNECT ME

Disconnect Me is a feature film examining the ever-pervasive role of technology in our lives. Directed by independent filmmaker Alex Lykos (Alex & Eve, Me & My Left Brain), the film centres around Alex who disconnects from his smartphone, indeed all of his devices, for 30 days. How will he and those around him react? What will be the effects on his life? Will he be happier or unhappier? Disconnect Me is attempting to innovate the cinemagoing experience by crafting a fresh interactive film which encourages audiences to engage with the film in real time using their smartphones.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 87 mins
Documentary

Director
Alex Lykos

Producer
Alex Lykos,
Peter Maple

Screenwriter
Alex Lykos

Cast
Alex Lykos,
Dr Danielle Einstein,
Professor Toby Walsh,
Dr Catriona Wallace,
Angelina Castelli,
Oliver Atkins

OFFICIAL SELECTION

WA PREMIERE



SCREENING

Tue 29 Aug | 6.00pm
Margaret River Heart

Sat 2 Sep | 7.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton



EGO: THE MICHAEL GUDINSKI STORY

A rare insight into how hitmaker and trailblazer Michael Gudinski inspired the soundtrack of a nation and revolutionised the Australian music industry. We follow Gudinski's relentless pursuit of success over five decades as he launches Mushroom Records and the careers of countless artists, promotes legendary international acts, and takes Australian music to the world. Featuring exclusive interviews with some of the world's most influential artists, extraordinary rare footage, and an electrifying soundtrack, this documentary reveals the man behind the music and the unstoppable force that was Michael Gudinski.

Margaret River Opening Night Event with Filmmaker Q&A and special guests.

 111 mins
Music Documentary

Director
Paul Goldman

Producer
Bethany Jones,
Paige McGinley,
Paul Goldman

Screenwriter
Bethany Jones,
Paul Goldman,
Sara Edwards

Cast
Jimmy Barnes, Vika & Linda Bull, Neil Finn, Tim Finn, Garbage, Dave Grohl, Billy Joel, Vance Joy, Paul Kelly, Kylie Minogue, Mark Seymour, Ed Sheeran, Bruce Springsteen, Sting, The Temper Trap and many more.

REGIONAL PREMIERE



IT ONLY TAKES A NIGHT

In one night, four girlfriends will have their hearts broken and mended again. Before the sun rises, they will drink, dance, make love and end up in the hospital...as all life-changing nights tend to go. Ruby can't seem to shake her ex who continues to show up through the night...with a new girl nonetheless. Emma is keeping a secret from them all, Nina has a huge announcement that no one cares about and Sophie, well, Sophie just needs to get laid. Throughout the night they cross paths with three guys: one Australian, one Spanish and a flamboyant Swedish waiter who certainly makes the night more interesting.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

SCREENING

Thu 31 Aug | 7.30pm
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 94mins
Romantic Comedy

Director
Callan Durlik

Producer
Kara Pisconeri,
Josh Horneman,
Callan Durlik

Screenwriter
Callan Durlik

Cast
Eliza Taylor,
George Pullar,
Arielle Carver-O'Neill,
Sana'a Shaik,
'Ana Ika,
Jaime Ureta,
Charles Grounds

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SCREENING

Sat 2 Sep | 12.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton



JOHN FARNHAM: FINDING THE VOICE

A landmark theatrical documentary to celebrate Australia's greatest singer and his journey from the suburbs of Melbourne to 60's pop fame, through life's highs and lows, ultimately to record-breaking success as 'Australia's Voice'.

Join us for a special singalong screening.

 95mins

Music Documentary

Director

Poppy Stockell

Producer

Mikael Borglund,
Martin Fabinyi

Screenwriter

Poppy Stockell,
Paul Clarke

Starring

Gaynor Wheatley,
Glen Wheatley,
Jimmy Barnes,
David Hirschfelder

AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE



JULES

Milton lives in a small town and is getting more forgetful and isolated with age. When an extraterrestrial crash lands in his backyard destroying his beloved birdbath, the two form an unlikely bond. Milton and the space traveler, whom he names JULES, find comfort watching CSI reruns while Jules devours his favourite earthly treat, red apples. Things get complicated when his neighbours Sandy and Joyce make the discovery, as the government quickly closes in. Finding new purpose and courage, Milton leans on his newfound friends to help Jules, and ultimately themselves, find their way home.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

SCREENING

Thu 31 Aug | 8.15pm
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Busselton

Sun 3 Sep | 6.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

 90mins
Comedy Drama

Director
Marc Turtletaub

Producer
Marc Turtletaub,
Alex Turtletaub,
Michael B. Clark,
Debbie Liebling,
Andy Daly

Screenwriter
Gavin Steckler

Starring
Ben Kingsley,
Harriet Harris,
Jane Curtin

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SCREENING

Thu 31 Aug | 6.00pm
Margaret River Heart


Fri 1 Sep | 8.00pm
Orana Cinemas
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Unclassified

KEEPING HOPE

There have been periods where, if the Kimberley in Australia's far northwest was a country, it would have the highest suicide rates in the world. The vast majority are young Indigenous men. Mark Coles Smith, an Indigenous actor who grew up in the Kimberley, returns to try to discover why this is the case. This is a subject that is close to Mark's heart – his best friend committed suicide when he was just 23. On his journey, Mark meets some remarkable people directly affected by suicide and who are now making a real difference in suicide prevention. He also faces up to his own loss and questions how others can learn from it.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 56mins
Documentary

Director
Tyson Mowarin

Producer
Darren Hutchinson,
Mark Coles Smith
presenter

WA PREMIERE



SCREENING

Thu 31 Aug | 3.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton


Sun 3 Sep | 4.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

KINDRED

When Gillian Moody and Adrian Russell Wills met making their first short film together little did they know that twenty five years later they would be best friends relying on each other to navigate the emotional rollercoaster of being Aboriginal, adopted into white families, who in adult years created deep relationships with their bloodline families. This story explores the importance of discovering your place in the world and in realising that home and love truly can be found in the people and places that your heart connects too. KINDRED is a journey into the complexities of family, self love, isolation and belonging.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 93 mins
Documentary

Director
Gillian Moody,
Adrian Russell Wills

Producer
Tom Zubrycki,
Gillian Moody

Screenwriter
Gillian Moody,
Adrian Russell Wills

OFFICIAL SELECTION

REGIONAL PREMIERE



SCREENING

Sat 2 Sep | 7.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

LATE NIGHT WITH THE DEVIL

31 October, 1977. Johnny Carson's rival, Jack Delroy, is the host of 'Night Owls', a once hugely popular syndicated talk show. A year on from the tragic death of Jack's wife, ratings have plummeted and sponsors are getting nervous. Desperate to turn his fortunes around, Jack pulls out all the stops for his annual Halloween special, booking a psychic, a professional sceptic, a parapsychologist and a young girl allegedly possessed by the devil... What could possibly go wrong?

 87mins
Horror

Director

Cameron Cairnes,
Colin Cairnes

Producer

Mat Govoni, Adam
White, John Molloy,
Steven Schneider,
Roy Lee,
Derek Dauch

Screenwriter

Cameron Cairnes,
Colin Cairnes

Starring

David Dastmalchian,
Laura Gordon,
Ian Bliss,
Fayssal Bazzi



SCREENING


Sat 2 Sep | 7.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton



PRISCILLA QUEEN OF THE DESERT

Hugo Weaving, Guy Pearce and Terrance Stamp star in this cult classic Australian film - The Adventures of Priscilla: Queen of the Desert - which became a surprise worldwide hit after its international screening at the 1994 Canne Film Festival and positive portrayal of LGBTQ individuals. Nearly 30 years on it's just as entertaining and relevant. The plot follows two drag queens (Weaving and Pearce) and a transgender woman (Stamp) as they perform their way across the Australian Outback in a tour bus named 'Priscilla' learning about themselves and each other along the way!

Join us for our special drag red carpet with incredible queen host to celebrate this iconic film.

 84 mins
Comedy Drama

Director
Stephan Elliott

Producer
Al Clark

Screenwriter
Stephan Elliott

Cast
Hugo Weaving,
Guy Pearce,
Terrance Stamp

OFFICIAL SELECTION

REGIONAL PREMIERE



SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 7.30pm
Margaret River Heart


Sun 3 Sep | 2.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

RACHEL'S FARM

Film director and actress Rachel Ward is not the first person you'd expect to join a farming revolution. In this triumphant film, Rachel voyages from wilful ignorance about the ecological impacts of conventional agriculture on her own rural property, to embracing a movement to restore the health of Australia's farmland, food and climate.

**Screening and Filmmaker Q&A on
Fri 1 Sep.**



 91 mins
Documentary

Director

Rachel Ward

Producer

Bettina Dalton

Cast

Rachel Ward

WA PREMIERE



ROSE GOLD


Sit courtside as the Boomers win their history-making Olympic medal and affirm Australia as a force to be reckoned with in global basketball.

SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 12.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Sun 3 Sep | 2.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

 88 mins
Documentary

Director
Matthew Adekponya

Producer
Richard Finlayson

OFFICIAL SELECTION

AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE



SCREENING

Sat 2 Sep | 12.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Sat 2 Sep | 3.00pm
Hoyts Bunbury



SONS OF SUMMER

Four surfing sons plan a tribute 'surfari' to a small beach town for one of their fathers murdered three decades earlier. But some road trips are to die for.

Filmmaker Screening and Q&A

 88 mins
Action

Director
Clive Fleury

Producer
Phillip Avalon,
Tim Maddocks

Screenwriter
Phillip Avalon,
Greg Clayton

Cast
Temuera Morrison,
Isabel Lucas,
Joe Davidson,
Pacha Luque-Light,
Alex Fleri

WA PREMIERE



SUNFLOWER


Seventeen-year-old Leo has his life together in the high school hierarchy: drunken parties, decent grades, the popular girlfriend; and comes home to the loving bickering only a family can provide. But Leo experiences an identity crisis as he becomes increasingly attracted to his best friend, Boof. His well-groomed facade begins to crack and with every step Leo takes towards embracing his sexuality, he must also overcome the incessant, socialised homophobia of the boy's locker room. Hopeful and romantic, this is an enticing drama about growing up with your heart stuck in your mouth. Featuring performances from fresh hot talent including Liam Mollica, Luke J. Morgan and a supporting turn from Elias Anton (Of an Age).

SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 4.00pm
Margaret River Heart

Sun 3 Sep | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

 84 mins
Coming of Age,
Queer, Drama

Director
Gabriel Carrubba

Producer
Gabriel Carrubba,
Zane Borg

Screenwriter
Gabriel Carrubba

Cast
Liam Mollica,
Luke Morgan,
Olivia Fildes,
Daniel Halmarick,
Elias Anton

OFFICIAL SELECTION

WA PREMIERE



SCREENING


Sat 2 Sep | 12.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

TENNESSINE

Tenessine is a sensual psychological drama in which an Iranian arrives in Australia to reunite with his lover but is interrupted by another man. Spoken in Persian and English and set against a background of migration and the Australian landscape, Tennessine is a thoughtful drama with the taut energy of a thriller, portraying the effects of displacement and exploring themes of family duty, belonging and love.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 85mins
Drama/Thriller

Director
Amin Palangi

Producer
Ulysses Oliver,
Ben Ferris,
Amin Palangi

Screenwriter
Osamah Sami

Cast
Osamah Sami,
Faezeh Alavi,
Robert Rabiah

REGIONAL PREMIERE



SCREENING


Thu 31 Aug | 5.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Sun 3 Sep | 6.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton



THE ANGELS: KICKIN' DOWN THE DOOR

The Angels exploded onto the local music scene with the searing guitars of the Brewster brothers and the incomparable showmanship of front-man Doc Neeson. Their chemistry saw them become one of the biggest bands in Australia and on the verge of international success. But their lust for fame fractured bonds and dreams, and when the leader of the band was asked to leave by his own brother, the hurt estranged them for years. This intimate and compelling documentary feature explores the tensions that tore a band apart and helped them produce such classic hits as *Take a Long Line*, *Am I Ever Gonna See Your Face Again* and *No Secrets*.

 102mins
Music
Documentary

Director
Madeleine Parry

Producer
Martin Fabinyi,
Peter Hanlon,
Rick Davies

Screenwriter
Rick and John
Brewster

OFFICIAL SELECTION

WA PREMIERE




SCREENING

Sun 3 Sep | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

THE BIG DOG

Richard Morgan, 53 is a stockbroker, suburban family man - and secret findom addict. On the morning of his son's graduation party, he discovers his dominatrix has cleaned out all of his bank accounts including the money for the graduation present – a new car. Now over the course of one Saturday, he must try and recover the \$76,000 without his wife discovering his secret life. Will he transcend and grow or will his insistence to cling to old ways destroy his entire life? Intimacy, power and money collide unhealthily in this acidic dark comedy from award winning filmmaker Dane McCusker.

 81 mins
Comedy, Drama

Director
Dane McCusker

Producer
Jessica Murphy,
Claudia Shepherd

Screenwriter
Dane McCusker

Cast
Julian Garner,
Felicity Price,
Asha Boswarva,
Michael Monk

WA PREMIERE




SCREENING

Sun 3 Sep | 4.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

THE CARNIVAL

The Bells are one of hundreds of show families in Australia, and they've been on the road for six generations. The Bell family haul their convoy of 30 trucks, carnival rides and their workers across Australia, where they face the elements, lockdowns and bushfires - all while battling to keep their family empire on the road. The Bells and their workers have a mission: to keep their carnival alive and thriving, and to keep it in the family. This sixth-generation traveling show family have been touring Australia for a hundred years, and now, facing some of the toughest times they've ever seen are preparing to hand over the reins to the next generation, with the empire expected to be handed down to the next boy in line. Filmed over 7 years, this epic road-trip unveils not only the mystery of the traveling show-people, but also reveals a family grappling with traditional life in a modern world.

 83mins
Documentary

Director
Isabel Darling

Producer
Tom Zubrycki,
Isabel Darling

Screenwriter
Isabel Darling

OFFICIAL SELECTION



SCREENING

Thu 31 Aug | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

THE DARK EMU STORY

A thought provoking and inspiring documentary telling the story of Bruce Pascoe's Dark Emu – the publishing phenomenon that challenged Australia to rethink its history and ignited a raging debate. The 2014 best-selling book makes the explosive claims that First Nations people were not only hunters and gatherers but also farmers and part of a complex economic system. Academics, and conservative commentators poured scorn upon Pascoe's work and questioned the knowledge of the First Australians. The Dark Emu delves into the controversy and provides a platform for First Nations people to share their remarkable stories.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 83mins

Documentary
Indigenous

Director

Allan Clarke

Producer

Darren Dale,
Belinda Mravivic,
Jacob Hickey

Screenwriter

Allan Clarke,
Jacob Hickey

Cast

Bruce Pascoe



SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 7.30pm
Clancy's Fish Pub,
Dunsborough



THE GREATEST SURF MOVIE IN THE UNIVERSE

After a successful vaccination scheme completely wipes out the world's collective knowledge of surfing, the surf god, 'Huey' makes a last-ditch effort to save it.

Enjoy a 'free tinnie' on us while you watch the Greatest Surf Movie in the Universe.

 78 mins

Comedy/
Animation/Sport

Director

Vaughan Blakey,
Nick Pollet

Producer

Bronte Pictures

Screenwriter

Vaughan Blakey

Cast

Mick Fanning,
Craig Anderson,
Mason Ho,
Griffin Colapinto,
Jack Freestone,
Matt Wilkinson
& feat. Kelly Slater
and Narrator
Luke Hemsworth

OFFICIAL SELECTION

REGIONAL PREMIERE



SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 12.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

THE NARROW BRIDGE

Bushra, Rami, Meytal and Bassam all wish they could turn back time to before tragedy struck, but they would never change who they have become. Charting a journey of hope amidst pain, **THE NARROW BRIDGE** lights a way to personal and social change. From conflict to understanding, trauma to hope - a journey into the souls of four people transforming their pain into a bridge for reconciliation.

⌚ 76 mins

Documentary

Director

Esther Takac

Producer

Esther Takac

Screenwriter

Esther Takac

Cast

Bassam Aramin,
Bushra Awad,
Rami Elhanan,
Meytal Ofer




SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 2.45pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton



THE NEW BOY

Set in 1940s Australia, the story of a nine-year-old Aboriginal orphan boy who arrives in the dead of night at a remote monastery, run by a renegade nun where his presence disturbs the delicately balanced world in this story of spiritual struggle and the cost of survival.

 116mins
Drama

Director
Warwick Thornton

Producer
Kath Shelper,
Warwick Thornton

Screenwriter
Warwick Thornton

Starring
Cate Blanchett,
Aswan Reid,
Deborah Mailman,
Wayne Blair

OFFICIAL SELECTION



SCREENING

Wed 30 Aug | 6.00pm
Augusta Community
Resource Centre


Sun 3 Sep | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

THIS IS GOING TO BE BIG MIFF@CinefestOZ

Teenagers Chelsea, Elyse, Halle and Josh share their dreams and confront their challenges on and off stage in the lead up to the performance of the musical staged by their high school for students living with disabilities. The Time Travelling Trio musical is the story of students who visit Australian national treasure John Farnham over four decades from the 60s to the 90s while doing an assignment on the singer. In the countdown to curtain-up, these four students have the love and support of family and teachers as they face crises of confidence, health issues and the momentous and ordinary rituals of teen life.

Screening in Augusta includes a pre event and filmmaker Q&A

 90mins
Documentary

Director
Thomas Charles Hyland

Producer
Catherine Bradbury,
Josie Mason Campbell,
Jim Wright

Screenwriter
Thomas Charles Hyland

Cast
Students-Halle, Josh,
Chelsea, Elyse
Teachers-Lori and Darcy



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WA PREMIERE



SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 3.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton


Sun 3 Sep | 6.30pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

THREE CHORDS AND THE TRUTH

Angie (Jackie Marshall) could have been one of Australia's leading musicians, but she sabotaged her own career. Now in her forties, she's dying and alone – but determined to record one last album. Money is tight and the odd gig at the local pub doesn't exactly fill the coffers. When she meets teenage runaway Ruby (Maisie Owens), the pair form an unlikely bond. Angie teaches her to play the guitar and write songs, but despite their closeness Angie just can't bring herself to tell Ruby the truth about her illness. Marshall's own songs, and resonant voice, alongside the Newcastle setting, bring a tender authenticity to this rebellious music-driven drama.

**Screening on Fri 1 Sep includes
Filmmaker Q&A**

 80 mins
Drama

Director
Claire Pasvolsky

Producer
Steve Pasvolsky,
Ian Sutherland,
Bin Li

Screenwriter
Claire Pasvolskyk

Cast
Jackie Marshall,
Maisie Owens,
Matthew Heys

OFFICIAL SELECTION

REGIONAL PREMIERE




SCREENING

Fri 1 Sep | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

PG

WATANDAR, MY COUNTRYMAN

From acclaimed director Jolyon Hoff (*Searching for Michael Peterson, The Staging Post*) comes a deeply touching journey of discovery, identity and connection, told through the eyes of Afghan-Hazara former-refugee Muzafar Ali. Arriving in Australia, Muzafar discovers that Afghans have been an integral part of Australia for over 160 years. He begins to photograph their descendants in an attempt to understand his new Afghan-Australian identity. Then the Taliban take over Afghanistan and his old country comes calling.

 67mins
Documentary

Director
Jolyon Hoff

Producer
Hamish Ludbrook,
Muzafar Ali,
Jolyon Hoff

Screenwriter
Muzafar Ali,
Jolyon Hoff

Starring
Muzafar Ali,
Nici Cumpston,
Ken Dadleh,
Elaine Mackean,
Aminullah Shamrose,
Janet Shamrose,
Frank Wilson,
Irene Zada,
Larl Zada



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FAMILY FILM

REGIONAL PREMIERE



SCREENING

Sat 2 Sep | 3.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton


Sun 3 Sep | 12.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

SCARYGIRL

As her world is shrouded in darkness, a young girl must overcome her fears and travel to a mysterious city of light, save her father from a dangerous scientist and prevent the destruction of her planet.

**Screening and Filmmaker Q&A
on Sat 2 Sep**

 90 mins
Kids Animation

Director
Ricard Cussó,
Tania Vincent

Producer
Sophie Byrne,
Nadine Bates,
Kristen Souvlis,
Ryan Greaves

Screenwriter
Polly Watkins,
Matt Everitt, Les Turner,
Craig Behenna

Cast
Jillian Nguyen,
Sam Neill, Deborah
Mailman, Mark Coles
Smith, Dylan Alcott,
Rob Collins,
Tim Minchin

AUSSIES ABROAD FILM

AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE



SCREENING


Sat 2 Sep | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Unclassified

ININNAWA: AN ISLAND CALLING

Ininnawa: An Island Calling is a story of obligation and sacrifice. With an out of sight, out of mind approach failing her people, the film explores the difficulties the world's largest archipelago faces in providing its people adequate healthcare, told through the eyes of a family dedicating their lives to this pursuit in the remote islands of Indonesia's Flores Sea.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 73 mins
Documentary

Director
Arfan Sabran

Producer
Nick Calpakdjian,
Mark Olsen

FRENCH FILM

REGIONAL PREMIERE



CHAMPAGNE


It's Springtime in the French vineyards of Champagne, and Patrick has gathered his closest friends of more than 30 years to the gourmet paradise for his bachelor party. But when his future wife arrives unexpectedly, her presence is far from welcome ... and it soon becomes clear that Patrick's affections for his fiancé are not shared by the others.

SCREENING

Sat 2 Sep | 10.00am
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

Sat 2 Sep | 3.30pm
Margaret River Heart

Unclassified

 100mins
Comedy

Director
Nicolas Vanier

Producer
Xavier Nemo,
Renaud Laplanche,
Clément Miserez,
Matthieu Warter

Screenwriter
Nicolas Vanier,
Xavier Nemo

Starring
Eric Elmosnino,
Stéphane De Grootd,
Elsa Zylberstein,
François-Xavier
Demaison



SCREENING

Sun 3 Sep | 12.00pm
Orana Cinemas
Busselton

BLIND DATE WITH A FRENCHIE

Let CinefestOZ surprise you this year with a charming new French film that will be our little secret until the day!

On arrival enjoy a glass of complimentary Forester Wine and mingle with new and old friends before the big reveal in cinema.

So take a little chance with us and you may discover a new (film) love you never expected!

Joie de Vivre!

CINEFESTOZ SHORT FILM PROGRAM - Meet the Fabulous Five!

See some of Australia's best short stories brought to life and fill your entertainment bucket as part of this year's CinefestOZ Short Film Sets. We have five fabulous sets, which will be held in Bunbury, Busselton and Margaret River.



Check out the CinefestOZ website or APP for session times and locations (Bunbury, Busselton and Margaret River) and to purchase tickets cinefestoz.com

SHORT FILM SETS

DEADLY INDIGENOUS SHORTS

See the best films from the world's first storytellers

FANTASTIC FRIDAY SHORTS

Laugh, have fun and be uplifted by stories from across Australia

HOMEGROWN WA

Showcasing brilliant stories stories created right here at home

ROLLERCOASTER

Take your emotions on a ride with these dramatic short stories

SHORT FILM AWARDS

And, if only the best will do, head to the **Short Film Awards** where we'll roll out the red carpet and showcase the four short films vying for the position of **Best Short Film of CinefestOZ 2023**. Enjoy a sparkling event, with canapes and drinks to start, then make your way into the cinema to see which short film will take home the \$5000 Best Short Film prize.

Short Film Awards: Thursday 31 Aug, from 7.00pm, Margaret River Heart, Margaret River.

INDUSTRY PROGRAM



THUR 31 AUG - FRI 1 SEP | Esplanade Hotel Busselton

CinefestOZ with support from the City of Busselton, South West Development Commission, Screenwest & Lotterywest, Screen Australia, Business Events Perth and the United States Consulate Perth is proud to be presenting the 2023 Industry Program.

Providing solutions to challenges in the screen industry now and in the future is the focus of the 2023 Program. The increasingly popular event, which is part of the larger CinefestOZ Film Festival, attracts filmmakers from across Australia and overseas to share their knowledge at a series of seminars and workshops and networking events. Industry sessions will be held at the Esplanade Hotel, situated 50m from the iconic Busselton Jetty and stunning foreshore, making it the perfect central location during the festival. Join us for inspiring talks, exciting discussions, intense debates, fantastic networking opportunities, and much more.

TICKETS

The two day Industry Cinepass provides access to all Industry Program sessions, breakfast each day of the program; access to resources and meeting rooms to facilitate business activities.

To get involved with this year's industry program head to cinefestoz.com (Cinepasses) or email industry@cinefestoz.com

SCHOOLS PROGRAM



CinefestOZ is dedicated to developing our filmmakers of the future through our Cinesnaps Schools Program. Working with primary and secondary students in regional Western Australia we run activities linked to the curriculum throughout the year and during Festival including:

- Film activities and screenings for school aged children as part of the excursion opportunities
- School Incursions featuring special guest speakers visiting schools during CinefestOZ Film Festival Week
- First Nation's films and knowledge sharing sessions as part of IndigifestOZ
- Teacher Personal Professional Development Events
- Cinesnaps Short Film Competition
- CineOnline - Cinesnaps digital content specially curated by CinefestOZ

CINESNAPS SHORT FILM COMPETITION SCREENING AND AWARDS - THUR 31 AUG | Esplanade Hotel Busselton

Finalists in the 11th annual Cinesnaps Short Film Competition will showcase their films at a special youth-friendly red carpet Screening and Awards event held as part of the Festival. Winners will be announced by a Jury Panel led by actor and director Myles Pollard.

TICKETS AT CINEFESTOZ.COM

More information on the Cinesnaps Schools Program and Short Film Competition can be found by visiting cinefestoz.com or emailing community@cinefestoz.com

FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS

Each year CinefestOZ and its partners host a range of free events to celebrate our First Nations people and say thank you to the wonderfully diverse communities of Augusta, Bunbury, Busselton and Margaret River.



COMMUNITY SCREENINGS 2023

This year's free community screenings include a range of films that highlight the importance of family and connecting to our roots. Films include ***In My Blood It Runs***; ***Top End Wedding***; ***June Again***; and **Cinesnaps (short film school's program) 2023 Finalists**.

Screenings will be held at Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre; Vantage at Vasse; Dunsborough Country Club; Margaret River Heart and the August Community and Resource Centre.

To check dates and times and plan your visit go to cinefestoz.com or download the App.



IN MY BLOOD
IT RUNS



JUNE AGAIN



TOP END
WEDDING



CINESNAPS
2023 FINALISTS

COMMUNITY DAYS.

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INDIGENOUS PROGRAM



COMMUNITY DAYS FEATURING INDIGIFESTOZ

Our Community Days in Bunbury and Busselton shine a spotlight on our magnificent First Nations filmmakers, artists, performers and storytellers. Enjoy a range of Indigenous experiences including:

First Nations film screenings

Filmmaking technologies and techniques

Indigenous Markets

Indigenous filmmakers, artists and dancers

BUSSELTON - Origins Market

Thu 31 Aug - Fri 1 Sep 9.30am - 2.30pm FREE

Sat 2 Sep 9.30am - 1pm FREE

BUNBURY - Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre

Tue 29 Aug 12pm - 6.30pm FREE

Tue 29 Aug 7 pm - Deadly Indigenous Short Film Set (ticketed)

Wed 30 Aug 9.30am - 11.30am FREE

Schools and community groups are welcome to participate in these free activities and bookings can be made by contacting community@cinefestoz.com



We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land we live and work on and pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future.

FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS

GALUP VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE

FRI 1 SEP | 12.00pm | Busselton Council Administration Building



In the heart of suburban Australia there's a lake with a buried 200 year history. Aboriginal Elder Doolann-Leisha Eatts spent her life sharing the story of what really happened there. Galup VR Experience invites you to sit with Doolann by her fire and hear the truth for yourself. Highlighting the ongoing impact of colonisation, this intimate 30 minute experience brings people together for connection and healing and will resonate with you long after you leave.

Created by Ian Wilkes and Poppy van Oorde-Grainger with an oral history from Doolann-Leisha Eatts. Produced by Same Drum and guided by a team of supportive Noongar Elders. This presentation has been supported through the Regional Exhibition Touring Boost managed by the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries and supported by Royalties for Regions and ART ON THE MOVE.

Bookings are essential. Head to www.cinefestoz.com or download the App.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander audience members are advised that this production includes names, images and voices of people who have passed away. Names, images and voices are used with permission.

MARTINE PERRET FOR CINEFESTOZ 2023

SAT 26 AUG | 4:30pm - 6.00pm | Margaret River HEART



See Margaret River photographer Martine Perret's new exhibition Wannang Biridge - Light of the peppermint tree at Margaret River HEART as part of the CinefestOZ Film Festival. This exhibition comes from Martine's continuing collaboration and consultation with Indigenous Elders of the Southwest of Western Australia, and investigates the universal idea that everything is connected, and how the memory of the land intrinsically passes through and between us.

Exhibition Dates - 18th August 2023 - 3rd September 2023


**Exhibition opening and book launch - *ABOVE* - Margaret River
Saturday, 26 August 4.30pm – 6pm**

SPECIAL SCREENING - MAKING WAVES

SUN 3 SEP | 1:00PM | Margaret River HEART

Making Waves celebrates the inspiring and diverse women across the world who compete at the top level of the dynamic sport of waveski surfing and strive to achieve their dream of winning the World Title. Shot in Western Australia's Cottesloe, the remote and pristine waters of Exmouth, and in Ventura, California.

Screening and Filmmaker Q&A

 30 mins
Documentary

Director
Christian Horgan

Producer
Tania Chambers OAM
SPA, Clint Logan

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FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Tuesday 29th August

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| 12:30pm | Bunbury Community Day featuring IndigifestOZ | BREC |
| 6:00pm | Margaret River Opening Night Screening Ego: The Michael Gudinski Story | Margaret River HEART |
| 7:00pm | Deadly Indigenous Shorts Bunbury | BREC |

Wednesday 30th August

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| 5:30pm | Shayda MIFF@CinefestOZ Film Prize Opening Night Screening Busselton | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 6:00pm | This Is Going to Be Big MIFF@CinefestOZ Film | Augusta CRC, Augusta |
| 6:00pm | Deadly Indigenous Shorts | Margaret River HEART |
| 7:00pm | Rollercoaster Shorts | Esplanade Hotel, Busselton |
| 8:00pm | Homegrown WA | Margaret River HEART |

Thursday 31 August

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| 9:30am | Industry Day 1 | Esplanade Hotel, Busselton |
| 9:30am | Community Day with IndigifestOZ | Origins Market |
| 10:00am | The Dark Emu Story | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 12:00pm | Shayda MIFF@CinefestOZ In Conversation | Rústico At Hay Shed Hill |
| 12:30pm | Rachel's Farm | Orana Cinemas Busselton |

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| 2:30pm | Disconnect Me | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 3:00pm | Kindred | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 5:00pm | Angels | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 5:15pm | Cinesnaps Grand Finale | Esplanade Hotel, Busselton |
| 5:30pm | Bromley: Light After Dark Film Prize Premiere Screening | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 6:00pm | Keeping Hope | Margaret River HEART |
| 7:00pm | Short Film Awards | Margaret River HEART |
| 7:30pm | It Only Takes A Night | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 7:45pm | Deadly Shorts | Esplanade Hotel, Busselton |
| 7:45pm | A Savage Christmas | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 8:15pm | Jules | Orana Cinemas Busselton |

Friday 1 September

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| 9:30am | Industry Day 2 | Esplanade Hotel, Busselton |
| 9:30am | Community Day with IndigifestOZ | Origins Market |
| 10:00am | Watandar, My Countryman | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 10:00am | Community Screenings | Multiple locations |
| 12:00pm | Bromley: Light After Dark In Conversation | Studio Bistro |
| 12:00pm | Galup VR | Busselton Council Building |
| 12:30pm | Rose Gold | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 12:30pm | The Narrow Bridge | Orana Cinemas Busselton |

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| 2:45pm | The New Boy | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 3:00pm | Three Chords and The Truth | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 4:00pm | Sunflower | Margaret River HEART |
| 5:30pm | The Rooster MIFF@ CinefestOZ Film Prize Premiere Screening | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 6:00pm | Bring Him To Me World Premiere | Hoyts Bunbury |
| 7:30pm | The Greatest Surf Movie In the World | Clancy's Fish Pub Dunsborough |
| 7:30pm | Fantastic Friday Shorts | Esplanade Hotel, Busselton |
| 7:30pm | Rachel's Farm | Margaret River HEART |
| 8:00pm | Keeping Hope | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 8:30pm | Monolith Film Prize Premiere Screening | Orana Cinemas Busselton |

Saturday 2 September

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| 8:30am | Monolith In Conversation | Shelter Busselton |
| 9:30am | Busselton Community Day with IndigifestOZ | Origins Market |
| 9:45am | Short Film Set of winners of Short Film Prize | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 10.00am | IndigifestOZ Retrospective Q&A | Origins Market |

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| 10:00am | Community Screenings | Multiple Locations |
| 10:00am | Ininnawa: An Island Calling | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 10:00am | Champagne! | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 12:00pm | The Rooster MIFF@CinefestOZ In Conversation | Yarri Restaurant + Bar |
| 12:00pm | Jury Lunch In Conversation | Aravina Estate |
| 12:00pm | Sons of Summer | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 12:00pm | Singalong: John Farnham: Finding the Voice | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 12:30pm | Tennessine | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 1:00pm | Disconnect Me | Margaret River HEART |
| 3:00pm | Scarygirl | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 3:00pm | Sons of Summer | Hoyts Bunbury |
| 3:15pm | Birdeater | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 3:30pm | Bring Him To Me | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 3:30pm | Champagne! | Margaret River HEART |
| 6:00pm | Premiere Screening Bromley: Light After Dark | Margaret River HEART |
| 7:00pm | Ego: The Michael Gudinski Story | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 7:00pm | Priscilla Queen of the Desert | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 7:00pm | Late Night With The Devil | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 7:00pm | Film Prize Celebration | Sabina River Farm |

Sunday 3 September

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| 10:00am | This Is Going To Be Big MIFF@CinefestOZ | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 10:00am | Sunflower | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 10:00am | The Big Dog | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 10:00am | Community Screenings | The Esplanade |
| 12:00pm | Scarygirl | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 12:00pm | Blind Date with a Frenchie | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 1:00pm | Making Waves | Margaret River HEART |
| 2:00pm | The Rooster MIFF@CinefestOZ | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 2:00pm | Rose Gold | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 2:00pm | Rachel's Farm | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 3:00pm | Australia's Open MIFF@CinefestOZ | Hoyts Bunbury |
| 4:00pm | Kindred | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 4:00pm | The Carnival | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 4:15pm | Australia's Open MIFF@CinefestOZ | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 6:00pm | Monolith | Margaret River HEART |
| 6:30pm | Jules | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 6:30pm | Angels | Orana Cinemas Busselton |
| 6:30pm | Three Chords and The Truth | Orana Cinemas Busselton |



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SCHEDULE

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