



## San Diego International Film Festival 2018 Fact Sheet

**Dates:** Oct 10-14, 2018

**URL:** [sdfilmfest.com](http://sdfilmfest.com), #sdfilmfest

**Description:** The San Diego International Film Festival (SDiFF) is the region's premier film event and one of the leading stops on the independent festival circuit. SDiFF offers a totally unique film experience; including world premieres, never before seen studio releases, the best in independent filmmaking and a full schedule of glamorous parties and intimate events with filmmakers.

**Locations:** Two festival villages: Downtown San Diego and La Jolla  
**Festival Headquarters:** Pendry San Diego, 550 J Street, SD CA 92101  
**Screenings:**  
ArcLight La Jolla, UTC, 4425 La Jolla Village Dr, San Diego, CA 92122  
Regal Cinema UA Horton Plaza, 475 Horton Plaza, San Diego, CA 92101  
**Special Events:**  
Pendry San Diego, The Balboa Theatre, Horton Plaza Park  
**Lodging:** The Pendry San Diego, The Lodge at Torrey Pines, The Catamaran Hotel, The Bahia  
Learn more: <http://sdfilmfest.com/2018-festival-lodging/>

**Passes & Tickets:** [sdfilmfest.com/passes](http://sdfilmfest.com/passes)

### Festival Event Schedule:

Thurs, Sept 27 - Festival Preview & Media Party - Pendry San Diego  
Wed, Oct 10 – Opening Night Film & After Party - The Balboa Theatre  
Thurs, Oct 11 – VARIETY Night of the Stars Tribute - Pendry San Diego  
Fri, Oct 12 – Friday Night Party - Horton Plaza Park  
Sat, Oct 13 – Filmmaker Awards Show and Party  
Sun, Oct 14 – Culinary Cinema - ArcLight Cinemas La Jolla

### Film Schedule:

Each year the SDiFF receives film submissions from over 65+ countries. The final selection represents the best films available from independent filmmakers and studios. The final selection of films will be announced at the end of August 2018.

### San Diego International Film Festival Award Honorees to be announced August 2018

Gregory Peck Award:

Previous winners: Patrick Stewart, Annette Bening, Alan Arkin  
Cinema Vanguard Award/Cinema Virtuoso:

Previous winners: Heather Graham, Kate Beckinsale, Adrien Brody, Beau Bridges



**Auteur Award:**

Previous winners: Kumail Nanjiani, Judd Apatow

**Humanitarian Award:**

Previous winners: Geena Davis, Mariel Hemingway

**Rising Star Award:**

Previous winners: Blake Jenner, Jason Mitchell

**Unique Film Tracks:**

American Indian  
Environmental  
Equestrian  
Military  
Social Impact  
Women in Film

**Special Screenings:**

TBD

**Filmmakers:**

200+ Filmmakers attend. Check schedule for details.

Attendees have the opportunity to meet and ask questions of filmmakers.

**Panels:**

Actors Panel  
Industry Panel  
Social Impact  
Unstoppable Women

**About the San Diego International Film Festival:**

In it's 17th year The San Diego International Film Festival presented by the San Diego Film Foundation is the region's premier film event and one of the leading stops on the independent festival circuit. SDiFF offers a totally unique experience. Attendees can hear from first time and veteran filmmakers as they debut their latest work to command the attention of new audiences and industry luminaries. Watch major studio premieres on the road to the Hollywood awards season. SDiFF also has a robust calendar of unique events, special screenings and film tracks.

**About The San Diego Film Foundation:**

The San Diego Film Foundation is dedicated to creating empathy through the experience of film. We believe that film can be transformative and we are bound together through human connection. Our mission is to use the experience of film to explore issues of global impact, to create dialog, and ultimately to develop empathy and understanding in an increasingly diverse and complex world. We support our mission through a robust calendar of events and educational programs. Including:

- Produce The San Diego International Film Festival (Oct 10-14, 2018)



- FOCUS on Impact Film Tour & Educational program (Spring & Fall)
- Film Insider Screenings (Feb-July, 2018)
- Oscar Awards Viewing Party Annual Gala (February 24, 2019)

#### **Leadership:**

##### **San Diego Film Foundation Board of Directors:**

Vicky Carlson, Chairman, San Diego Film Foundation  
Tonya Mantooh, Executive & Artistic Director - SDiFF  
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#### **Co-Founders**

Patti Judd, Judd Brand Media  
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