



San Diego International Film Festival (Oct 10-14) Presents
Unstoppable Women Panel
Presented by Morgan Stanley

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San Diego, CA - The San Diego International Film Festival, produced by the San Diego Film Foundation each October, announces the **Unstoppable Women Panel** to take place on Friday, October 12th at 1pm at the Oxford Social Club at the Pendry San Diego. Reservations are available to passholders or for individual sale for \$16. <https://secure.sdiff.com/f/passes-2018/unstoppable-women>

Presented by Festival partner, Morgan Stanley, the **Unstoppable Women Panel** will discuss how women are making their unique mark in the business and entertainment industry. The panel will be moderated by CEO and Artistic Director of the San Diego International Film Festival, Tonya Mantooth.

The panel will feature

Naila Chowdhury, Director Social Impact & Innovation at UCSD, Founder of Women4Empowerment
Sandra Richards, Head of Global Sports & Entertainment & Segment Sales at Morgan Stanley
Sara Zandieh, Filmmaker, Writer, Director and Producer - *Simple Wedding*

Panelist, Sandra Richards, Head of Global Sports and Entertainment & Segment Sales at Morgan Stanley shared *"At Morgan Stanley, we look for opportunities to support organizations that are telling the sort of stories and focus on the issues that are important to us. Through their designated film tracks, the San Diego International Film Festival turns a spotlight on diversity, inclusion and social justice - and creates the kind of dialogue in our community that we love to see happening. I am looking forward to sitting in on the Unstoppable Women panel at the festival in October - and engaging with Festival patrons on these vital topics."*

About the San Diego International Film Festival:

The San Diego International Film Festival 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.

Join us Oct 10-14, 2018!

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.:

A 501c.3. the San Diego Film Foundation brings the finest independent cinematic storytelling from around the world to San Diego each year. We present films that make a difference through a robust variety of events and programs *including*:

- The San Diego International Film Festival (Oct. 10-14, 2018)
- FOCUS on Impact Film Tour for highschool students (Spring 2019)
- Film Insider Screenings (Feb-July, 2019)
- Industry Insider Series (Patrons Only)
- And The Award Goes To...Oscar Awards Viewing Party Annual Gala (Feb 24, 2019)

Plus a variety of community and private events throughout the year
