

Routes to Roots Film Festival #R2RFF

A delightful selection of feature films and shorts will be presented by the Routes to Roots Film Festival (R2RFF) in downtown Simcoe, Norfolk County, Ontario, on October 20 and 21, 2017.

Tickets

A two-day pass costs \$50 per person, including tax. Individual admission for each of the four feature films and the shorts presentation is \$12 per person, including tax. Tickets for R2RFF are available for sale online. For info, visit <u>www.r2rff.com/tickets</u>.

Feature Films

In Her Place

The opening feature film on Friday evening will be *In Her Place* (Canada / South Korea). Directed by Albert Shin, the film features a mysterious city woman who comes to a rural farm where she's taken in by a weathered woman and her odd teenaged daughter.



Diani and Devine Meet the Apocalypse

Late night on Friday, R2RFF will feature *Diani and Devine Meet the Apocalypse* (USA). Directed by Etta Devine and Gabriel Diani, this struggling comedy duo discovers that surviving the apocalypse is almost as difficult as surviving in Hollywood.





I Dream In Another Language

Saturday's matinee feature will be *I Dream In Another Language* (Mexico). Directed by Ernesto Contreras, the film tells the story of an indigenous language in peril; its last two speakers had a quarrel in the past and haven't spoken to each other in over 50 years. Martín, a young linguist, tries



to convince the old friends to once again talk to each other.

Lamb

On Saturday evening, R2RFF will close with the Ethiopian feature film, *Lamb*. Directed by Yared Zeleke, the story follows an Ethiopian boy as he moves in with distant relatives. He brings along his pet sheep but the upcoming holidays spell danger for this beloved friend.



Canadian Short Films

The Kid's Short Film Program is scheduled for Saturday morning. Regular Short Films are scheduled for late Saturday afternoon.

Canadian directors featured include Colin Waugh (*And Him*), Chad Galloway / Heather Benning (*The Dollhouse*), Kawennáhere Devery Jacobs (*Stolen*), Jesse Senko (*The Workshop*), and Nick Genova / Aidan Johnston (*Noggers*).





International Short Films

International short films include *August* (USA), *Burning Sun* (Norway), *The Cow Incident* (UK), *Furrows* (Italy), *Horseface* (Spain), *Lost Village* (Spain), *Ogasawara* (Georgia), and *Rooftop Gardening Tips* (USA).

About R2RFF

The home of R2RFF is Strand Theatre in downtown Simcoe, owned by Kent and Cindy Rapley.

R2RFF exists to engage audiences with award-winning, thought-provoking storytelling that may be unavailable elsewhere; encourage new and emerging filmmakers; and celebrate Norfolk County as a place to visit, live, and work. For more info, visit <u>www.r2rff.com</u>.



All films complement the theme of R2RFF, a showcase of local, national, and international film with an emphasis on themes of returning to roots, rural life, and connectedness. The programme is co-curated by Elana Post and Michael Chwastiak, Norfolk County residents who work in the film and television industries.

You are invited to use the hashtag #R2RFF to engage with the Routes to Routes Film Festival.

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