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AMERICAN BLACK FILM FESTIVAL
MIAMI BEACH JUNE 20-23, 2012



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WELCOME

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all to the 16th Annual American Black Film Festival in Miami Beach, Florida.

In the past sixteen years, we have cemented our reputation as a world-class film festival and the leading film festival for filmmakers of African descent. Reflecting back over those years, I am overwhelmed by the generosity of our corporate partners and their continued support, as well as the support from you, the festival attendees. I’m especially thankful to our Founding Sponsor and Premier Sponsor, HBO, for sharing my vision and accompanying us on this journey. To Gold Peak Tea, our other Premier Sponsor; gmc, American Airlines, Cadillac, CNN and Ciroc, our Official Sponsors; Grab Media, NBCUniversal, Nickelodeon, Smart water, BET, Wells Fargo and Nielsen Media Research, our Supporting Sponsors, I thank you for your belief and commitment to this festival and for all of the time and resources you provide to us to make each year happen.

Miami has been our gracious host for nearly eight years now. I’d like to thank this year’s Host Sponsors: The Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Miami Beach Visitor and Convention Authority and the City of Miami’s Community Redevelopment Association for making us feel at home.

At the beginning of each festival it is my hope that this event will open eyes and reveal new possibilities for those who love movies along

with those who are simply curious about movies. One of the things I have learned during this journey is that bringing people together in this experience, we are providing a valuable service to our community. Screening over 700 films, we have exposed the work of talented emerging filmmakers to the film industry and a broad audience of people who are passionate about cinema and interested in viewing diverse images of the Black experience. As a festival, we have crossed boundaries and taken chances. In the end, that’s what it is all about—taking chances.

During this year’s festival, my wish for you is to savor all that it has to offer –from the film screenings to the Talk Series to the Master Classes and, of course, the parties! Witness how far we have come in sixteen years and celebrate with us.

A special thank-you to all of the filmmakers and film lovers who flock to our festival each year. You are the best audience any filmmaker could have. And, as always, a big thank-you to the ABFF staff. You are a stellar group of individuals and this festival would not be possible without your tireless dedication.

Jeff Friday,
ABFF Founder/CEO, Film Life, Inc



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Dear ABFF Participants:

HBO's long-standing partnership with the ABFF began in 1998, and we are proud of the part we continue to play in helping call attention to the universality of black cinema through competition, workshops and panels, networking opportunities, and the sharing of creative resources and visions.

As founding and premier sponsor of Film Life's American Black Film Festival, HBO will again have a major presence at this year's annual industry retreat, evident first and foremost, through our 15th Annual HBO® Short Film Award competition which has helped jump-start the careers of emerging black filmmakers.

This year's HBO® Short Film Award will be held on June, xx at xx, and all are welcome to attend. Created to honor the writing and directing talents of young filmmakers, this year's screening will showcase the five films/filmmakers selected for the 2012 final round of competition. The \$20,000 grand prize will be presented to one winner during the ABFF's Awards presentation on closing night.

We extend our warmest congratulations to the festival and its sponsors on its 16th year of serving, supporting and empowering the black film community, and look forward to all of this year's festivities and events. As always, special thanks to Jeff Friday and his staff for creating an influential forum that gives new talent public and industry recognition.

Sincerely,

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Welcome to the American Black Film Festival,

I am honored to be here at the 16th annual American Black Film Festival, and to share this fabulous experience highlighting the best of independent black films with you all.

Gold Peak is excited to be a premier sponsor and participating for our 3rd straight year to celebrate the mission of the American Black Film Festival. We're here to honor the hard work and dedication, education, enthusiasm and talent that will be showcased over the course of the festival.

I firmly support and encourage the growth of the black film industry, and the ABFF gives an amazing platform, whether you are an aspiring filmmaker or a film enthusiast, to tell and witness unique stories in our own voices. Gold Peak supports this authentic experience, and hopes to provide that same sentiment through our home brewed taste.

We are very excited for the robust schedule at the festival this year, and hope to see you often. Gold Peak will be sampling throughout the weekend during the registrations, screenings, and at the closing ceremony where I'll be awarding the "Best Actor" prize. We're also excited to invite you to our Gold Peak Getaway Party, Friday evening at the Ritz-Carlton DeLido Beach Bar. It will be a great time to relax and connect with Gold Peak cocktails, a live DJ and a chance to win a few great getaway gifts, including an opportunity to "Take the Year Off" and earn \$100,000 from Gold Peak.

Cheers to a wonderful experience at the 16th annual American Black Film Festival, and congratulations to all participants. We're delighted to be here with the other ABFF sponsors and thankful for the ABFF team's hosting of another excellent festival. We hope you get to experience Gold Peak's home brewed taste over the course of the weekend and see why we're so thrilled to be part of this terrific tradition. Have a wonderful festival!

Regards,
Mark Pitts

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

9:00 AM – 6:00 PM Festival Registration Center The Will Call line will be open until 9:30 pm to accommodate the pick up of passes and tickets for pre-registered attendees only | Ritz Carlton/Salon 1

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (Passholders only) Cadillac Lounge & Outdoor Showroom Refreshments, free wifi, enter to win an iPad and tell us about your favorite Black Movie Moment! | Ritz Carlton-Living Room @ Collins Ave Entrance

10:00 AM – 6:00 PM (Passholders only) Gold Peak Tea Bars Complimentary tea courtesy of Gold Peak Tea | Ritz Carlton Gallery

11:00 AM – 12 NOON City of Miami Press Conference | Black Police Precinct, Overtown

12 NOON – 6:00 PM (Passholders only) BlackAtlas.com Travel Lounge The online travel community from American Airlines, invites you to sample on-board snacks created by Chef Marcus Samuelsson and enter to win your own Tumi travel bag! | Ritz Carlton/South Pointe

1:30 – 4:00 PM
Separate ticket required
The \$300,000 Feature: A Master Class in Line Producing Led by Dianne Ashford | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

4:00 – 8:00 PM (Passholders only) Cadillac Shuttle Service Catch a ride in a Cadillac to the opening night festivities at the Colony Theater. By appointment only. Sign up in the Cadillac Lounge. | Pick up at the Ritz Carlton, Lincoln Rd. Entrance

4:30 – 5:15 PM Red Carpet Arrivals | Colony Theater

4:30 – 6:30 PM (Passholders only) Ciroc "Red Carpet" Cocktail Bar Complimentary cocktails courtesy of Ciroc | Segafredo Café

5:30 PM (Passholders only) Beasts of the Southern Wild (Opening Film) Courtesy of Fox Searchlight | Colony Theater

8:30 PM Beasts of the Southern Wild (Encore Screening) | Colony Theater

10:30 PM Opening Night Party Sponsored Uptown Magazine and Stella Artois. Music by DJ Shogun | Arkadia@The Fountainebleu

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

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3:00 – 5:00 PM (Limited to first 25 Passholders) Nickelodeon presents "Pitching a Series" Join writers/creators Sameer Asad Gardezi and Ron Holsey to find out what really goes into pitching a series that will make TV executives want to green light your project? In this interactive workshop, we'll discuss the essential elements of a TV series pitch, including character development, finding your hook, and creating an engaging universe. | Ritz Carlton/Lincoln

4:00 – 5:30 PM Digital Technology Panel: Content Syndication 2012 This panel will discuss the current syndication practices, the technology shifts and explore the marketing opportunities around film and advertising content to reach new audiences. Sponsored by Grab Media and HuffPost Black Voices | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

4:15 – 4:45 PM Red Carpet Arrivals (The Coalition) | Colony Theater

5:00 – 7:00 PM The Coalition (World Premiere) Sponsored screening courtesy of Team Sizzle Films | Colony Theater

6:45 – 7:45 PM CNN presents Who Counts The premiere of an upcoming documentary film about African Americans and the voting

process. Hosted by CNN's Don Lemon panel will feature actor Jesse Williams and CNN's Geraldine Moriba. | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

7:15 – 8:30 PM Cadillac Shuttle Catch a ride in a Cadillac to the opening night festivities at the Colony Theater. By appointment only. Sign up in the Cadillac Lounge. | Pick up at the Ritz Carlton, Lincoln Rd. Entrance

7:45 – 8:30 PM Red Carpet Arrivals | Colony Theater

8:45 PM (Passholders only) The 15th Annual HBO Short Film Competition Five finalists premiere their films in hopes of winning the \$20,000 grand prize. | Colony Theater

10:30 PM Black Hollywood Party Celebrating the \$90 million box office smash film "Think Like A Man" and the launch of Film Life TV's the "Q & A Show" Sponsored by Ciroc Music by DJ Irie | CAMEO

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Festival Registration Center | Ritz Carlton/Salon 1

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

(Passholders only) **Cadillac Lounge & Outdoor Showroom** Refreshments, free wifi, enter to win an iPad and if you think you're a film fan, play the Black Movie Trivia Competition (from 2:30 to 3:30 pm) and enjoy ice cream treats as you test your knowledge! | Ritz Carlton-Living Room @ Collins Ave Entrance

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A Conversation with "Hollywood Power Couple" Salim & Mara Brock-Akil Sponsored by American Airlines | Ritz Carlton/ Salons 2 & 3

3:00 – 4:30 PM

gmc Television Network Screenplay Competition Table Reading | Ritz Carlton/ Salons 2 & 3

4:30 – 7:30 PM

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6:00 – 7:30 PM

2012 ABFF Webisode Challenge A competition to crown the best episodic series produced for the Web. The event will feature a sneak peak of "The Q & A Show" a sketch comedy series coming to filmifetv.com. Hosted by Chris Spencer | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

8:45 – 10:00 PM

(Passholders only) **ABFF Celebrates "Think Like A Man"** An evening with the filmmakers and cast of the hit film followed by a cocktail hour sponsored by Crown Royal Black | Ritz Carlton/ Salons 2 & 3

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

8:00 AM – 9:00 PM

The Miami Cultural Experience Express Trolley: Shop/Dine/ Explore Sponsored by the City of Miami and Miami CRA | Pick up from the Ritz Carlton and Colony Theaters

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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10:30 AM – 12:00 NOON

Beyond the Barriers & Biases – Black Women in Hollywood Panel Sponsored by the Webber Group in association with the Daughters of Eve Media | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

1:00 – 2:30 PM

HBO Presents... | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

4:00 – 5:00 PM

(Passholders only) **Festival Mixer** Beverages courtesy of Gold Peak Tea, smartwater and Stella Artois | Ritz Carlton/ Gallery

5:10 – 6:30 PM

(Passholders only) **"ABFF Winners Circle" Awards Presentation** Join us to recognize and reward the festival's 2012 independent filmmakers as winners in eight categories are announced: Best Short, Documentary, Feature, Screenplay, Actor, Director, Star Project and the gmc Screenplay Competition. | Ritz Carlton/Salons 2 & 3

6:30 AM – 10:30 PM

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7:00 – 9:00 PM

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7:00 – 7:45 PM

Red Carpet Arrivals Colony Theater

8:00 PM

Raising Izzie (World Premiere) Closing Film courtesy of the gmc Television Network | Colony Theater

10:00 PM

Raising Izzie (Encore screening) Closing Film courtesy of the gmc Television Network | Colony Theater

10:30 PM – 2:00 AM

ABFF Closing Night Reception DJ Self Born | Dream Hotel, High Bar/Tudor House

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

2:00 – 8:00 PM

City of Miami Film Community Showcase | Carnival Studio Theatre, Adrienne Arts Center for the Performing Arts



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2012 MASTER CLASSES

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

1:30 PM – 4:00 PM
**The \$300,000 Feature:
A Master Class
in Line Producing**

Led by Dianne Ashford



Learn how to chart the most promising path for your indie film: determine a worthy script, define your target audience, project and manage your budget (production and marketing costs). This class will outline a film producer's core responsibilities (creative, executive, and technical) through the phases of production and distribution. One low-budget feature film will provide a case study from which the class facilitator will dissect a budget in the realm of \$300,000, to reveal essential line producing and production management tools and tips. "The \$300,000 Feature" will be led by Dianne Ashford – whose credits include Homecoming: Stomp the Yard, Pastor Brown, Three Can Play That Game, The Gospel and Trois 2: Pandora's Box. Dianne has also served as Production Supervisor on BET's hit show "The Game."

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
**Camera Basics &
Cinematography
Master Class**

Led by Charles Swanson



Led by Associate Professor of Cinematography Chair of the Production Department, School of Film and Television, Loyola Marymount University, Charles Swanson, this class provides a basic education on entry-level digital cameras as well as more advanced digital capture cameras and formats. A breakdown of common post-production issues will be discussed along with approaches to technological advances in digital mediums and technologies such as the Red Camera, Arri's Alexa Camera, DSLRs and other digital, non-taped- based capture mediums. A look at what it means to approach shooting from "Distribution First" will also be examined and participants will leave equipped to take a story from script to screen and beyond.



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THURSDAY, JUNE 21

9:00 AM | Wells Fargo Presents "Anatomy Of A Deal" – A Conversation With Will Packer

This invitation only event is designed for producers and directors who have at least one production completed. Will Packer will share powerful insights on how he has leveraged his relationship with Wells Fargo as he has established himself as one of Hollywood's most successful businessmen.

Moderator: JB Abdullah **Guest Speakers:** Will Packer, Producer and Greg Crane, Will's Wells Fargo Relationship Manager

1:00 PM | The Future of Black Entertainment: Using Digital Space to Create Buzz and Distribute Content

Sponsored by Nielsen & Black
Enterprise magazine

This panel will dive into the opportunities for content producers in the digital space. Senior media executives will discuss various ways to use the digital landscape to distribute content and create buzz. The panel will also explore emerging alternative distribution methods for independent producers such as Video on Demand and direct deals with theatres.

Moderator: Cindi Smith, Executive Director, Research & Analysis, Nielsen Entertainment
Invited Guests include: Monique Kelly, Sr.

Account Manager Strategic Partnerships, Warner Bros Digital Distribution and Issa Rae, Creator and Producer of the hit Webisode Series "The Misadventures of Awkward Black Girl."

3:00 PM | Pitching A Series

Presented by Nickelodeon

How does a TV series make it to air? Before the script is written, before the actors are cast and the cameras roll, there's the pitch. Join writers/creators Sameer Asad Gardezi and Ron Holsey to find out what really goes into pitching a series that will make TV executives want to greenlight your project? In this interactive workshop, we'll discuss the essential elements of a TV series pitch, including character development, finding your hook, and creating an engaging universe. Whether you're pitching a Saturday morning cartoon or a primetime comedy, panelists will speak to the ins and outs of TV pitching, from conceiving your idea all the way to taking a pitch meeting with a studio or network.

Guest Speakers: Writer/Creators Sameer Asad Gardezi and Ron Holsey

4:30 PM | Digital Technology Panel: Content Syndication 2012 Sponsored by Grab Media and HuffPost Black Voices

Syndication was once the solution for an industry challenged by economics, technology, and globalism, allowing content to reach the widest audience at the great cost savings. As new practices of media consumption emerge the film industry is



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WHO COUNTS

NARRATED BY JESSE WILLIAMS

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faced with content syndication opportunities in a new system with questions of the right distribution and marketing strategy within the fast-paced growth of online content. The panel will discuss the current syndication practices, the technology shifts and explore the marketing opportunities around their film and advertising content to reach new audiences.

Moderator: Alvin Bowles. **Guest Speakers:** Malik Ducard, Head of Content, Google/YouTube West Coast, Russ Torres, Director of Video, Yahoo News, Finance and Lateef Sanur, Multicultural Marketing Strategy, AOL/Huffington Post Media Group

6:45 PM | CNN presents *Who Counts* Sponsored by CNN

The premiere of an upcoming documentary film made by CNN about African Americans and the voting system, followed by a discussion with the film's narrator and executive producer.

Moderator: Don Lemon, CNN Anchor **Guest Speakers:** Jesse Williams, Actor/Grey's Anatomy and Geraldine Moriba/Executive Producer, Program Development

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

12:30 PM | A Conversation with Salim & Mara Brock-Akil Sponsored by BlackAtlas.com for American Airlines

An in-depth interview with husband-wife team Salim & Mara Brock-Akil, whose joint credits include: hit TV shows *Girlfriends*, *The Game* and films *Jumping the Broom* and the upcoming *Sparkle*.

Moderator: NBC South Florida Today Show Anchor, Trina Robinson.

3:00 PM | gmc Television Network Screenplay Competition Table Reading

Sponsored by gmc Television Network

The gmc Faith & Family Screenplay Competition is designed to encourage and promote the production of faith and family-friendly screenplays and films while creating opportunities for emerging talent. Three finalists have been selected and a scene from each of their screenplays will be read before the festival audience. One winner will be chosen to have their screenplay produced into a film and receive a \$5,000 cash prize.

This year's judges include Brad Siegel, Vice Chairman/gmc Television Network, DeVon Franklin, VP of Production/Columbia Pictures, the writer of gmc's first original movie, *Trinity Goodheart*, Rhonda Baraka and producer/director Roger M. Bobb, President/Bobbcat Films.

The 2012 Screenplay Finalists are as follows:
Kissed by the Sun, written by Ronice Johnson
In the Meantime, written by Nzinga Kadalie Kemp
The Substance of Things Hoped For, written by Marc A. Cunningham

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**8:45 PM | ABFF Celebrates
Think Like A Man** Sponsored
by Crown Royal Black

An onstage interview with the producers, a cast member and director of this hit film that has grossed close to 90 million dollars at the box office.

Moderator: Malikha Malette, Power 105fm NYC
Guest Speakers: Rob Hardy/Executive Producer, Will Packer/Producer, Tim Story/Director and cast to be announced.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

**10:30 AM | Beyond the Barriers
& Biases – Black Women in
Hollywood Panel** Sponsored by
the Webber Group in association
with the Daughters of Eve Media

Recent statistics reflect that 25% of all Hollywood producers are female. Of 2011's top-grossing films, only 14 % were written by and 5% directed by women. If we research further to ascertain how many of those women

are Black, the numbers drop dramatically and with only six African American female Oscar wins in eighty-four years, we are acutely aware that quality roles in front of the camera are just as limited. This panel will introduce the festival audience to a lineup of women who have built diverse careers in film despite the odds. Hear how they have successfully navigated their professional journeys beyond the barriers and biases.

Moderator: Michele Prettyman Beverly, African American Cinema Scholar
Guest Speakers: Twinkie Byrd/Casting Director, Producer/Writer Elizabeth Hunter, Angi Bones/SVP Development at BobbCat Films, Malinda Williams/Actress and Tracey Heggins/Actress.

1:00 PM | HBO Presents...
Sponsored by HBO

Enjoy a fun, informative and inspirational conversation featuring JB Smoove (Curb Your Enthusiasm), Sufe Bradshaw (VEEP), Nelsan Ellis (True Blood), Michael K. Williams (Boardwalk Empire, THE WIRE) and Adina Porter (Newsroom, True Blood) discussing their backgrounds, acting careers, and unique experiences working on an HBO series.

Moderator: Cori Murray, Entertainment Editor, Essence magazine.

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Mamohla Dargis

The New York Times

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QUENZHANE WALLIS DWIGHT HENRY WITH STEPHAN LEWIS AND DAN ROMER & BENH ZEITLIN WRITTEN BY LUCY ALIBAR & BENH ZEITLIN DIRECTED BY BEN ZEITLIN
CASTING BY MATTHEW PARKER CHRIS CARROLL COSTUME DESIGNER PHILIPP ENGELHORN PAUL MEZEY MICHAEL RANSLER EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS MICHAEL GOTTWALD PRODUCED BY DAN JANVEY & JOSH PENN EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS LUCY ALIBAR & BENH ZEITLIN



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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

Colony Theater
5:30 pm & 8:30 pm

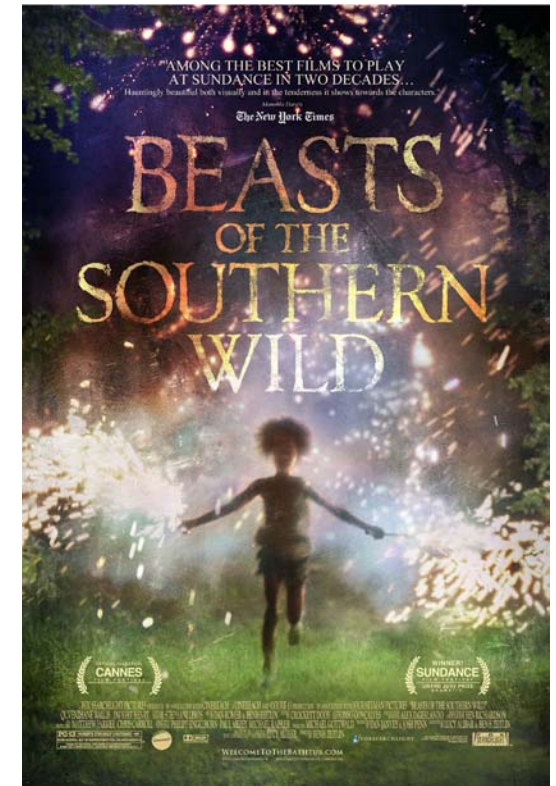
Opening Night Film

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2012 USA 90 MIN
courtesy of Fox Searchlight
Pictures and Cinereach

Written by Lucy Alibar
and Ben Zeitlin
Directed by Ben Zeitlin
Produced by Michael Gottwald,
Dan Janvey and John Penn

Starring Quvenzhané Wallis
and Dwight Henry



In a forgotten but defiant bayou community cut off from the rest of the world by a sprawling levee, a six-year-old girl (Quvenzhané Wallis) exists on the brink of orphanhood. Buoyed by her childish optimism and extraordinary imagination, she believes that the natural world is in balance with the universe until a fierce storm changes her reality. Desperate to repair the structure of her world in order to save her ailing father (Dwight Henry) and sinking home, this tiny hero must learn to survive unstoppable catastrophes of epic proportions.

In theaters June 27, 2012

CLOSING NIGHT PREMIERE SCREENING

Rockmond Dunbar

Vanessa Williams

Victoria Elizabeth Staley

Kyla Kenedy

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COLONY THEATER
Saturday, June 23rd
8:00 PM & 10:00 PM



raising izzie

Sometimes family is where we least expect it.



UPLIFTING ENTERTAINMENT

GMC NETWORK PRESENTS A BOBBCAT FILMS PRODUCTION "RAISING IZZIE"
ROCKMOND DUNBAR VANESSA WILLIAMS VICTORIA ELIZABETH STALEY
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GALA SCREENINGS

OPENING & CLOSING NIGHT FILMS

KEY | WP World Premiere CT Colony Theater MBC Miami Beach Cinematheque

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

Colony Theater
8:00 pm & 10:00 pm

Closing Night Film

RAISING IZZIE WP

2012 USA 90 MIN
courtesy of gmc
Television Network

Written by David Martyn Conley,
Directed by Roger M. Bobb
Produced by Roger M. Bobb
and Angelique Bones

Starring: Vanessa Williams
and Rockmond Dunbar



Raising Izzie was the winner of the 2011 gmc Faith and Family screenplay competition. Starring Vanessa Williams (Lincoln Heights, Soul Food), and Rockmond Dunbar (Soul Food), the film centers on a pair of sisters who have lost their mother and are forced to become each other's ally in an adult world. Unable to maintain this new set of circumstances, a loving teacher unexpectedly comes into their lives changing everything around them.

Airs on gmc, July 21st & 22nd at 7, 9 & 11 PM ET. DISH 188, DTV 338 & Local Cable

NARRATIVE FEATURE SECTION

All films in this section were eligible to be nominated for Grand Jury Prizes. The nominations are listed below.

KEY | WP World Premiere CT Colony Theater MBC Miami Beach Cinematheque

BETTER MUS' COME

2011 JAMAICA 90 MIN HD



The film follows warring political factions in 1970's Jamaica as they enlist the support of gangs to enforce their policies, and advanced their political agenda.

Written and directed by Storm Sauter | Produced by Paul Bucknor | Cast: Sheldon Shepherd, Nicole 'Sky' Grey, Everaldo Creary, Ricardo Orgill, Roger Guenveur Smith

Jamaican Patois with English Subtitles

MBC THRU, 6/21 11:00 AM CT FRI, 6/22 8:35 PM

THE DARK PARTY

2011 USA 94 MIN HD

WP



When two best friends want to find true love, a radio talk psychologist helps them throw the ultimate blind date party and serous social experiment.

Written by William Wells, Kadeem Hardison, Salenta Baisden, Terry DWilkerson | Produced by Terry Wilkerson, Deji LaRay, Salenta Baisden, William Wells | Directed by Kadeem Hardison | Cast: Kadeem Hardison, Marcus Patrick, Tiffany Hines

MBC THUR, 6/21 1:00 PM CT SAT, 6/23 4:50 PM

ELZA

2011 FRANCE 82 MIN HD



A young Parisian woman of Caribbean descent returns to her native island of Guadeloupe in search of the father she has never known.

Written by Mariette MonPierre, Mama Keita | Directed by Mariette MonPierre | Produced by Mariette MonPierre, Gerard LaCroix, Eric Basset | Cast: Stana Roumillac, Vincent Byrd Le Sage, Christophe Cherki, Sophie Berger

CT FRI, 6/22 10:00 AM MBC SAT, 6/23 3:15 PM

THE LAST FALL

2011 USA 95 MIN HD



An NFL journeyman struggles to deal with life's complexities after his professional career is over at twenty-five.

Written and directed by Matthew Cherry | Produced by Ellis Hobbs, Monique Hobbs, Nikki Love, Scott Hebert | Cast: Lance Gross, Nicole Behari, Vanessa Bell Calloway, Obba Babatundé, Darrin DeWitt Henson, Michael Moss, Harry Lennix, Keith David

CT THUR, 6/21 12:20 PM MBC FRI, 6/22 6:15 PM

LUV

2012 USA 90 MIN HD



An orphaned eleven-year-old boy is forced to face an unpleasant truth about his beloved Uncle during one harrowing day in the streets of Baltimore.

Written by Sheldon Candis and Justin Wilson | Produced by Jason Michael Berman, W. Michael Jenson, Gordon Bijelonic, Datari Turner, Joel Newton, James Rosenthal, Common, Derek Dudley | Cast: Common, Michael Rainey Jr., Dennis Haysbert, Danny Glover, Charles S. Dutton, Michael Kenneth Williams, Meagan Good

CT FRI, 6/22 2:40 PM MBC SAT, 6/23 1:15 PM

TIES THAT BIND

USA/GHANA 106 MIN HD



Three women from different backgrounds are bound together by a similar pain, the loss of a child. In a destined meeting in a small village in Kroboland, the women journey together to redemption, love, life, and forgiveness as they renovate a dilapidated clinic for the villagers.

Written and directed by Leila Djansi | Produced by Dave Harper | Cast: Kimberly Elise, Omotola Jalade Ekiende, Ama K Abebrese, Randall Batinkoff, Ebbe Bassey

MBC THUR, 6/21 6:25 PM CT FRI, 6/22 12:10 PM

THE UNDERSHEPHERD

USA 106 MIN HD



Two minister's opposing decisions destroy their friendship as the ascension of evil verses the struggle of an honest church impact the entire community.

Written and directed by Russ Parr | Produced by Russ Parr, Eric Tomosunas, Scott Aronson, Isaiah Washington | Cast: Isaiah Washington, Louis Gossett Jr., Lamman Rucker, Malinda Williams, Vanessa Bell Calloway, Elise Neal, Robinne Lee, Clifton Powell, Keith David, John Wesley

CT THUR, 6/21 2:35 PM MBC SAT, 6/23 11:00 AM

GRAND JURY NOMINEES

■ **Better Mus' Come** – Nominated for Grand Jury Prize Best Director (Storm Sauter), Best Screenplay, Best Actor (Sheldon Shepherd)

■ **Elza** – Nominated for Grand Jury Prize Best Narrative Feature, Best Screenplay (Mariette MonPierre & Mama Keita)

■ **The Last Fall** – Nominated for Grand Jury Prize Best Narrative Feature, Best Actor (Nicole Behari and Lance Gross), Best Director (Matthew Cherry), Best Screenplay (Matthew Cherry)

■ **LUV** – Nominated for Grand Jury Prize Best Narrative Feature, Best Actor (Common), Best Director (Sheldon Candis)

■ **Ties That Bind** – Nominated for Grand Jury Prize Best Actor (Kimberly Elise)

■ **The Undershepherd** – Nominated for Grand Jury Prize Best Narrative Feature, Best Actor (Isaiah Washington and Malinda Williams), Best Director (Russ Parr), Best Screenplay (Russ Parr)

DOCUMENTARY FEATURE SECTION

The following four films compete for the Best Documentary Award presented by CNN.

KEY | WP World Premiere CT Colony Theater MBC Miami Beach Cinematheque

THE CONTRADICTIONS OF FAIR HOPE

2012 USA 67 MIN HD/FILM & SUPER 8



An unprecedented window into the lives of freed slaves who courageously formed benevolent societies in America as they transitioned from slavery to freedom. The film examines the historical impact of the Fair Hope Benevolent Society juxtaposed against the worldly pleasures of its modern day "Foot Wash" celebration.

Written by Rockell Metcalf | Produced by S. Epatha Merkerson | Directed by S. Epatha Merkerson, Rockell Metcalf | Narrated by Whoopi Goldberg

CT FRI, 6/22 4:50 PM

MBC SAT, 6/23 5:10 PM

FORCE M.D.s RELIEVED

2012 USA 98 MIN HD

WP



Historic musical footage and heart wrenching interviews tell the incredible story of Hip Hop and R&Bs most dynamic innovators.

Written by Antoine Elliott, Rodney Lundy, Steven Lundy | Produced by Rodney Lundy, Ron Elliot, Frazier Prince | Directed by Frazier Prince

CT THUR, 6/21 10:00 AM

MBC FRI 6/22 4:05 PM

SOUL FOOD JUNKIES

2012 USA 63 MIN HD

WP



Baffled by his dad's unwillingness to change his traditional soul food diet in the face of a health crisis, Hurt sets out to learn more about this rich culinary tradition and its relevance to Black cultural identity.

Written and directed by Byron Hurt | Produced by Lisa Durden | Featuring: Dick Gregory, Bryant Terry, Marc Lamont Hill, Sonia Sanchez, Jessica Harris, Queen Afua, Michaela Angela Davis

MBC THUR, 6/22 3:05 PM

CT SAT, 6/23 10:00 AM

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competition, which has been an integral part of the festival for 15 years, is one of the most prestigious platforms for emerging filmmakers. Five finalists' films are screened before the festival audience and each vie for a grand prize of \$20,000. In addition, the films in competition will also be considered for broadcast on one of HBO's programming services. Join us **Thursday, June 21, 8:45 pm, at the Colony Theater.**

The winner will be announced at the ABFF Winners Circle Awards Presentation, Saturday, June 23.

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ZERO

2012 USA 18 MIN HD

WP



An introverted teen is forced to defend herself when bullies threaten to spill the beans about her crush on the math teacher.

Written and directed by Kimberly Townes

Cast: Megan Sousa, Amrahu Ibraheem, Nick Ryan, Mariah Goolsby, Alyssa DiVirgilio, Chellee Ray, Stephanie Gibson

CHERRY WAVES

2011 USA 14:45 MIN 35MM

WP



A story of love, loss, and finding oneself set against the world of underground street fighting.

Written and directed by Carey Williams

Cast: Tracey Heggins, Lulu Brud, George Jonson, Shaw Jones, Rhoby Wyatt, Monique Carmona

SLEEP

2012 USA 10:45 MIN HD

WP



Rashad assumes the responsibility of his household during one morning that changes the rest of his life.

Written and directed by Donald Conley

Cast: Gregory Barnes, Eric Ruffin, Mia Anderson

WOMACK

2011 USA 15 MIN HD

WP



A vicious crime leaves a Brooklyn man wrestling with his conscience, searching for an escape to greater purpose.

Written and directed by André Wilkins

Cast: Rob Morgan, Aml Ameen, Clifton Powell, Corey Fernandez

BUSTED ON BRIGHAM LANE

2011 USA 20 MIN HD

WP



A teenage girl takes precariously creative measures to reconcile her relationship with her estranged father for her 18th birthday after spotting him singing on the train.

Written and directed by Talibah Newman

Cast: Susan Heyward, Rob Morgan, Pernell Walker, Noa Miles

Encore Screening

Saturday, June 23

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CLOSURE

2012 USA 5:37 MIN HD



Courtesy of Film Life
Story by Jeff Friday

A couple discovers their humanity when they find a squatter living in a home they inherit from a deceased relative.

WHERE YOU APP?

2012 USA 5:12 MIN HD



Courtesy of Film Life
Story by Jeff Friday

Trouble with a phone app lands a modern couple in 1800's Denver. A mysterious stranger helps them discover how to return to 2012.

THE COALITION

2012 USA 100 MIN HD

Courtesy of Team Sizzle Films



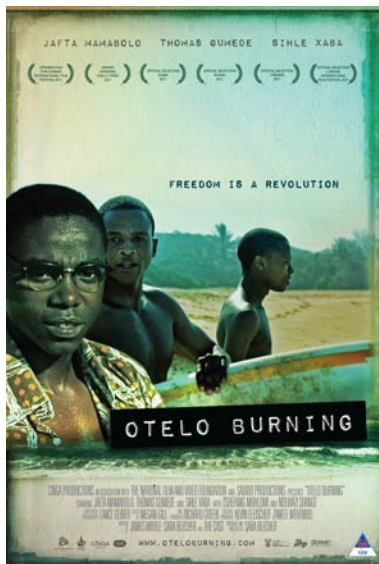
The bad boys club is really not all that bad. Young, rich and handsome...the boys know how to have a good time. They love women, fast cars and doing whatever they want to do. There comes a time in life, however, when karma is helped along. When it's done by a group of scorned women...it can prove to be devastating. There's more than one player in this game. But who's playing who?

Written by Terrell Suggs and Monica Mingo | Directed by Monica Mingo | Produced by Rich Volin | Cast: Adrienne Bailon, Denyce Lawton, Eddie Goines, Nicole Garza, Jackee Harry

CT THUR, 6/21 5:00 PM MBC FRI, 6/22 8:15 PM

OTELO BURNING

2011 SOUTH AFRICA 109 MIN RED



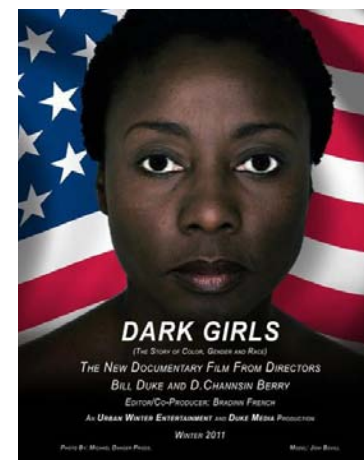
When 16-year-old Otelo Buthelezi takes to the water for the first time, it's clear that he was born to surf. But then tragedy strikes. On the day that Nelson Mandela is released from prison, Otelo is forced to choose between surfing success and justice. This is a beautifully made, insightful and entertaining film that captures a turbulent time in the history of South Africa.

Written by Sara Blecher and James Whyte | Directed by Sara Blecher | Produced by Kevin Fleischer Courtesy of Cinga Productions | Cast: Jafta Mambolo, Thomas Gumede, Sihle Xaba, Tshepang Mohlomi, Nolwazi Shange, Harriet Manamela, Hamilton Dhlamni, Motlatsi Mafatshe, Matthew Oats

CT SAT, 6/23 11:50 AM

DARK GIRLS

2011 USA 94 MIN



A documentary exploring the deep-seated biases and attitudes about skin color particularly dark skinned women, outside of and within the Black American culture.

Directed by Bill Duke and D. Channsin Berry | Produced by D. Channsin Berry and Bill Duke

CT FRI, 6/22 6:40 PM

STAGING HOPE

2011 UGANDA/USA 98 MIN HDV



Fourteen teenagers in war-torn northern Uganda participate in a theater program with American actors; creating plays based on their experiences with war and their quest for peace.

Written by Paul Freedman | Directed by Bill Yoelin | Produced by Melissa Fitzgerald and Katy S. Fox | Cast: Melissa Fitzgerald

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**Thursday, June 21, 8:45 pm at
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NICKELODEON WRITER'S SCRIPT REVIEW

**Thursday, June 21 & Friday, June 22
at the Ritz Carlton** (by invitation only)

Five writers are pre-selected to participate in the following events...congratulations to Jonte Edwards, LaKeisha Fleming, Kimberly Hamilton, Vanessa Shealy and Amisha Upadhyaya.

HOW TO TELL A STORY WORKSHOP

Writing for television is a rewarding and creative outlet and a lucrative career path that enables writers to continually develop and fine-tune their written skills. Karen Kirkland, Executive Director of the Nickelodeon Writing Program, will share vital information on story structure; from premise to outline all the way through to final draft.

SCRIPT REVIEW

During your one-on-one Script Review, Karen Kirkland will give you in-depth feedback on your submitted spec. Please bring a copy of your submitted spec script, for your reference, and be prepared to take detailed notes. Feedback will include critiques on your script's structure, humor, character description, story/premise, originality, and dialogue.

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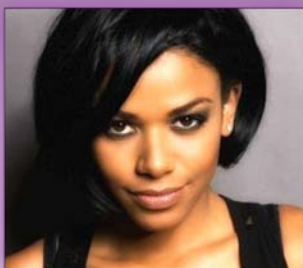
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**Friday, June 22, 3:00 pm at the Ritz Carlton,
Salons 2 & 3**

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Four competing webisodes will be screened before the festival audience at a special event hosted by actor/comedian Chris Spencer. After viewing the webisodes, audience members will use their mobile device to vote for their favorite via text message. The results will appear live on a screen in the room and the winner will be presented with a cash prize of \$2,500 by the ABFF. As an additional honor, Warner Bros. Digital Distribution will fly the winner to Los Angeles, CA for a pitch meeting and lunch with one of their distribution and digital executives.

ABFF 2012 Webisode Challenge Contestants:

EEAZY Directed by John Wheatley, produced by Benny Demus | Synopsis: A series with a storyline based on family loyalty and what happens when murder, family relations and friendships become entangled.

GETTIN' GROWN TV Directed by Aaron Greer, produced by Anthony Ferraro | Synopsis: GGTV is a slice-of-life family friendly series about growing up in the city where some get lost...and some get grown!

OSIRIS Directed by Donnie Leapheart, produced by Redd Claiborne, Rodney Breedlove and LaQuanda Plantt | Synopsis: Osiris is a new 10-episode action/thriller series featuring mystery, espionage and gritty crime fiction.

12-STEPS TO RECOVERY Produced and directed by Tony Clomax | Synopsis: 12-Steps to Recovery is a romantic comedy about a New York City actor and jingle writer who gets dumped by his corporate girlfriend.



THE STAR PROJECT

Sponsored by NBCUniversal, this program is an international acting competition designed to spotlight emerging multi-cultural talent. The ABFF Star Project was launched in 2009 as part of the common goal to encourage serious pursuit of the craft by providing a platform for undiscovered actors while supporting their career advancement.

This year's winners are Sherial McKinney of Sherman Oaks, CA and Robert Hunter of Cleveland, OH. One grand prize winner will receive a walk-on role on NBC's daytime drama "Days of our Lives."





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THURSDAY, JUNE 21

- What Box Office and Internet Data Reveal to Content Creators (1:00 pm) \$40
Nickelodeon Fellows Workshop (3:00 pm) PASSHOLDERS ONLY
Digital Technology Panel: Content Syndication 2012 (4:00 pm) \$40
CNN presents the documentary film Who Counts (6:45 pm) \$20

- The 15th Annual HBO Short Film Competition (8:45 pm) PASSHOLDERS ONLY
Black Hollywood Party @ CAMEO (10:30 pm) \$80

FRIDAY JUNE 22

- A Conversation with Salim & Mara Brock-Akil (12:30 pm) \$40
gmc Television Network Screenplay Competition Table Reading (3:00 pm) \$40
Gold Peak Tea Getaway Party (4:30 pm) PASSHOLDERS ONLY
ABFF Webisode Challenge w/sneak peak of the Q&A Show (6:00 pm) \$40
ABFF Celebrates "Think Like a Man" (8:45 pm) PASSHOLDERS ONLY

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

- Black Women in Hollywood Panel (10:30 am) \$40
HBO Presents... (1:00 pm) \$40
"ABFF Winners Circle" Awards Presentation (5:10 pm) PASSHOLDERS ONLY
ABFF Closing Night Reception @ DREAM (10:30 pm) \$80

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