

**THE 19TH ANNUAL HAMPTONS  
INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL  
ANNOUNCES ITS 2011 FESTIVAL DATES**

**Thursday, October 13 – Monday, October  
17, 2011**

East Hampton, NY (January 11th, 2011) The Hamptons International Film Festival (HIFF) proudly announces this year's festival dates, Thursday, October 13 – Monday, October 17, 2011. The festival, which is usually held over Columbus Day Weekend, is launching one week later in 2011 in order to honor Yom Kippur, which falls during Columbus Day Weekend this year. HIFF plans to return to its regular Columbus Day Weekend dates in 2012 (October 4 – 8, 2012) to celebrate its 20th Anniversary.

HIFF comes off a hugely successful and well attended 2010 festival with an impressive line up of films including *Barney's Version*, *Black Swan*, *Blue Valentine*, *The King's Speech*, *127 Hours*, *Toy Story 3*, *Miral*, *Waiting for Superman* and *Made in Dagenham*. Additionally, the festival continued many of its special programs such as its "Conversation with..." the annual Kodak Cinematography Master Class, Breakthrough Performers, Animation Master Class, as well as having notable talent in attendance including James Franco, Davis Guggenheim, Julian Schnabel, Frances McDormand, Freida Pinto, Marcia Gay Harden, Paul Giamatti, Isabella Rossellini, Stanley Tucci, Joel and Ethan Coen, and many more.

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“We are excited to announce our 2011 festival dates and look forward to bringing another year of great programming and talent to the Long Island community,” says Executive Director Karen Arikian. “In addition to the festival, we will also continue our expansion of year-round programming of films and events which will involve our on-going partners such as MoMA and Guild Hall as well as new relationships with several prestigious organizations in New York and on the east end, which we will announce soon. We are pleased to kick off 2011 with a screening and program hosted by Board Member, Alec Baldwin at Guild Hall in East Hampton on February 19th.” Director of Programming, David Nugent adds, “It continues to be a goal of the Hamptons International Film Festival to bring world class filmmakers, provocative and innovative films, as well as an open forum for discussion to the community”.

HIFF greatly appreciates the continued support from its corporate sponsors, which include American Airlines, Altour, The Wall Street Journal, Silvercup Studios, RoC, Lexus, and Easy Scent/Lampe Berger.

## **ABOUT THE HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

The Hamptons International Film Festival was founded to celebrate Independent film - long, short, fiction and documentary - and to introduce a unique, varied spectrum of international films and filmmakers to the public. The Festival is committed to exhibiting films that express fresh voices and differing global perspectives, with the hope that these programs will enlighten audiences, provide invaluable exposure for filmmakers and present inspired entertainment for all.

For more information about the 2011 Festival, or to find out more about our year-round programming, please visit our website at [www.hamptonsfilmfest.org](http://www.hamptonsfilmfest.org).

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