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2017 PROGRAM GUIDE



Four Days of Film in Downtown Fort Wayne JUNE 15-18, 2017



On behalf of the Hobnobben leadership team, I would like to welcome festival-goers and filmmakers, from near and far, to Fort Wayne. At Hobnobben, we celebrate the art of film – its ability to elevate, entertain, and inform. This year we have the pleasure of sharing with you a plethora of locally and regionally produced films, outstanding movies submitted from all over the world, and a selection of excellent works curated from other major film festivals. Be sure to check out our specialized festival track schedule, so you can make the most of your festival experience!

This year, we wanted to emphasize exceptional nonfiction storytelling. For that reason we chose to preview our festival with the lauded "Dina," winner of the Sundance Film Festival grand jury documentary prize, and close Hobnobben with "Whose Streets," an important film chronicling the Ferguson, Missouri protests and how activists, artists, teachers, parents and residents all joined together in a new opposition movement. This film is sure to give audiences the courage to resist injustice. It has been a true privilege to work every day with the talented film festival leadership committee, filmmakers from every stage in their careers, and amazing sponsors who understand the importance of film festivals for not just a local community and economy, but for allowing fresh talent to breathe new life into an over century-old art form. If you see any of these festival VIPs, be sure to thank them. There would be no Hobnobben without their contributions.

Finally, I would like to say thank you to the Cinema Center board, the membership of this incredible organization, and to all the tireless volunteers who fight to keep the art of film relevant in Northeast Indiana.

Hobnobben Loves You!

Jonah Crismore

Cinema Center and Hobnobben Film Festival Executive Director





FORT WAYNE OUTFITTERS AND BIKE DEPOT

1004 Cass Street Bike, kayak, canoe, or standup paddleboard rental. Hobnobben passholders will receive discounts on canoes & kayaks.

FORT WAYNE MUSEUM OF ART

311 East Main Street Slana Aesthetics and Juxtapozed On the Pursuit of Perfection: **The Legacy Architecture** of Louis I. Kahn

Hobnobben passholders will receive a discount on items purchased at the gift shop this weekend.

FORT WAYNE TIN CAPS

1301 Ewing Street Enjoy Fort Wayne's very own baseball team with games on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

SCIENCE CENTRAL 1950 North Clinton Street **RiverWorks Discovery**

FORT WAYNE CHILDREN'S ZOO 3411 Sherman Blvd

HISTORIC OLD FORT 1201 Spy Run Avenue

FOELLINGER-FREIMANN BOTANICAL CONSERVATORY 1100 South Calhoun Street

Perspectives: Live Butterfly Exhibit

ARTLINK GALLERY

300 East Main Street Danielle Graves, Thomas Leffers, and Ed Ryan

BBQ RIBFEST

Headwaters Park 333 South Clinton Street Thursday, June 15 at 11:30am - Sunday, June 18 at 9:30pm

YLNI FARMER'S MARKET

Corner of Wayne & Barr Streets On Saturday from 9am to 1pm, shop for fresh and unique local produce, plants, meats, baked goods, and homemade crafts in an urban setting.

ARENA DINNER THEATRE 719 Rockhill Street Assassins



SHORT HAUL

This is a collection of short films composed from submissions from all over the world. Because a variety of subject matter and genres are explored, not all films are appropriate for younger viewers.

PHILO FEST

Named in honor of Philo Farnsworth, the pioneer of modern television who did much of his innovation in Fort Wayne, this program honors independently produced television pilots.

HOOSIER SPIRIT





Celebrate short films made by Indiana filmmakers or shot here. This collection proves local filmmaking is alive and well in the Hoosier state.

CLASS ACT

It is a truly an honor to witness cinematic artists honing their craft and developing their distinct voices in Class Act, a collection of short films made by the best up-and-coming student filmmakers.

POINTS OF VIEW

At Hobnobben, representation of diverse filmmakers, and the stories they tell, is crucial to the success of the festival. Points of View is a short film series that creates empathy for all the many aspects of the human experience.



OPENING NIGHT CELEBRATION



Thursday, June 15, 5:30-7pm Ian Rolland Gallery at the Arts United Center 303 East Main Street **Passholders only**

This exclusive event brings together Filmmakers, Hobnobben Staff, Festival Sponsors, and Passholders to celebrate the opening of Hobnobben 2017. Come enjoy a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres with live electronic music from Adam Meyers and audio-reactive projection mapping from Alec Johnson. Then join us as we screen our opening film, "The Hero."

Thursday Night After Party: Wine Down

BLOCKNOBBEN Presented by TRICURE

Friday, June 16, 6pm-Midnight **Arts United Plaza** 303 East Main Street Free and open to the public

A block party celebrating our love of film and our community. Blocknobben will feature local breweries and local eateries. live music booked by Soiree, the Blocknobben Marketplace of local hand-picked vendors, and live painting from local artists. Throughout this event we will unleash filmmakers on the plaza, transforming it into a movie set for the Film the Fort project. Join us at the end of the night for an outdoor screening of "No Country For Old Men" with a live score from local musician Ben Larson.

Friday Night After Party: Park Place on Main

AWARD CEREMONY

Presented by HUNTINGTON

Saturday, June 17, 7-9pm Ian Rolland Gallery at the Arts United Center 303 East Main Street Free for Passholders, \$20 without pass

Experience the glitz of our spotlight event where we award six filmmakers awards in the categories: Best Documentary, Best Narrative Feature, Best Short, Hoosier Spirit, Philo Fest, and Student Showcase. The Ian Rolland Gallery is the perfect setting to celebrate filmmakers, grab a cocktail and enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres.

Saturday Night After Party: The Golden



Thursday, June 15 9pm-Midnight Cinema Center **Spectator Lounge 437 East Berry Street** \$5 suggested donation for Mustard Seed

In benefit of the Mustard Seed Furniture Bank's Beds4Kids program, guests are encouraged to relax in the lounge featuring furniture on loan from Mustard Seed. Whether you come in your pajamas or still dressed to the nines from our opening night, we will screen the Lizzie Shea webseries from end to end with commentary from filmmaker John Cantey. Cinema Center will offer a bar and concessions through the evening.

SOUND & SHADOW REDUX

Sound & Shadow Redux brings two of Cinema Center's incredibly successful pairings of local musicians with classic silent films back to the Arts United Center for the 2017 Hobnobben Film Festival.



Saturday, June 17, 5pm 1hr 25min

Live-Scored by the Hope Arthur Orchestra, a

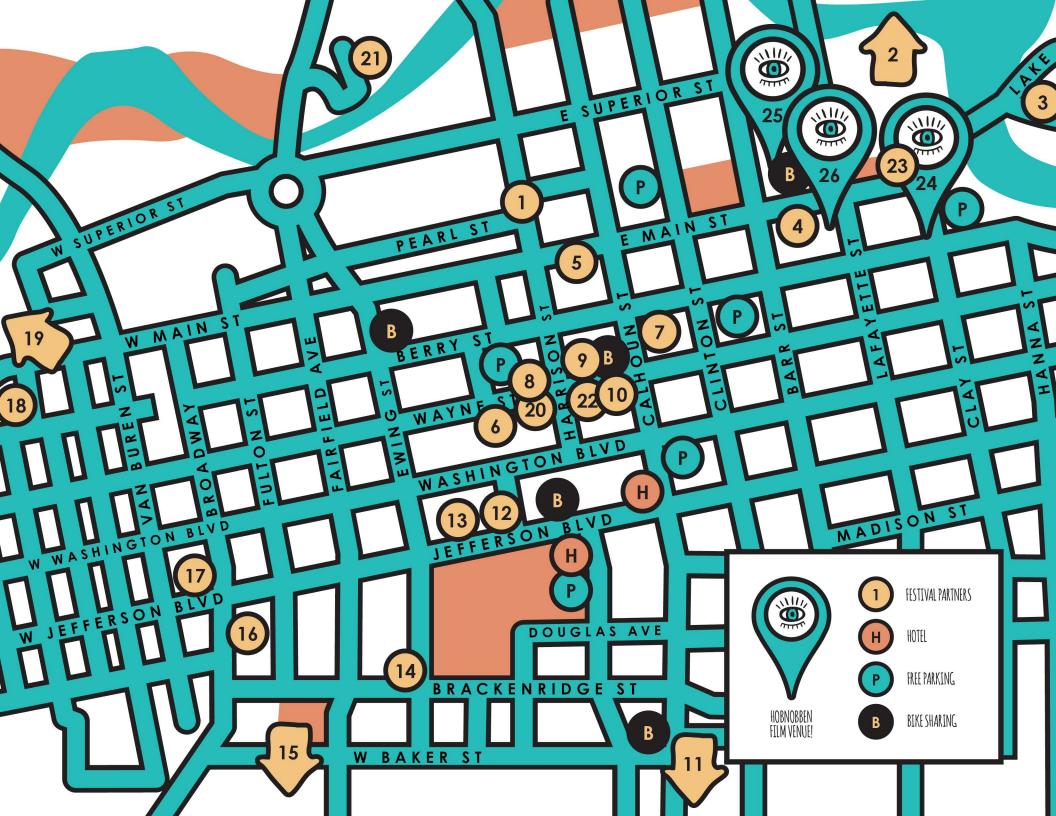
compelling, ever-growing (roughly 25 members currently) ensemble of Fort Wayne, Indiana-based musicians performing the intriguing, heart-wrenching, and overall entertaining original compositions of Hope Arthur.



Saturday, June 17, 9:15pm 1hr 38min

Live-Scored by Metavari,

the stage name of Indianabased electronic musician and graphic artist, Nathaniel David Utesch, Metavari's music is the intersection of nostalgic electronics, ambient soundscapes and off-kilter pop music.



FESTIVAL PARTNERS

- Tolon Farm-To-Fork 614 Harrison Street Themed drink
- Pirefly Coffeehouse 3523 North Anthony Blvd Themed food
- 3 Conjure Coffee Roastery & Café 701 Columbia Street Discount
- Pembroke Bakery & Café 300 East Main Street #102 Free cookie or fruit w/ soup, sandwich or entreé
- 5 Yummi Bunni Ice Cream & Bakery 123 West Main Street Discount
- 6 The Find Clothing 210 West Wayne Street Discount
- 7 Fortezza Coffee & Bakery 819 South Calhoun Street Discount
- B The Golden
 Modern Fare & Cocktails
 898 Harrison Street
 Themed drink
- Dash-In Pub & Coffeehouse 814 South Calhoun Street Discount
- JK O'Donnell's
 Classic Celtic Pub
 121 West Wayne Street
 Discount
- Calhoun Street Soups,
 Salads & Spirits (CS3) Pub
 1915 South Calhoun Street
 Buy one get one free

- Wine Down & Sidecar
 Tastings & Tapas
 301 West Jefferson Blvd #100
 Discount & themed drink
- Lace & Arrow Boutique
 301 West Jefferson Blvd
 Discounts

MIL

- Rudy's
 Wine, Chocolate & Cigars
 409 West Brackenridge Street
 Discount
- Bravas Gourmet Burgers
 3412 Fairfield Avenue
 Discount & themed food
- Fancy & Staple Handmade Gifts
 1111 Broadway Street
 Discount
- 17) The Hedge Boutique
 1016 Broadway Street
 Discount
- West Central Microcreamery
 Homemade Ice Cream & Café
 725 Union Street
 Discount & themed food
- Pedal City Bar & Bike Rental
 1215 West Main Street
 Discount
- DeBrand Chocolates, Coffee, Gelato & Ice Cream 878 Harrison Street Discount offered
- Fort Wayne Outfitters & Bike Depot Bike Gear & Rentals 838 Harrison Street 20% off kayaks & canoes
- the city exchange shops
 Boutique Shops
 127 West Wayne Street
 Discounts at select stores
- Fort Wayne Museum of Art
 311 East Main Street
 Gift Shop discount

HOBNOBBEN FILM VENUES

- Cinema Center (CC)
 437 East Berry Street
- Arts United Center (AUC) 303 East Main Street
- Parkview Physicians
 Group ArtsLab
 300 East Main Street

HOSPITALITY

Hilton Fort Wayne at the Grand Wayne 1020 South Calhoun Street

Courtyard Marriott at the Grand Wayne 1150 South Harrison Street



MIL

Arts Campus 300 East Main Street

Corner of Calhoun & Wayne

University of Saint Francis431 West Berry Street

Grand Wayne Center 120 West Jefferson Blvd

Citilink
121 West Baker Street

An extra special thank you to all of the extraordinary Festival and Hospitality sponsors who were essential in making this festival as weird and wonderful as it is.



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WOMEN PIONEERS IN FILM

MIL

Friday, June 16 - 1pm | CC Spectator Lounge

Kate Chaplin is an award-winning filmmaker, having produced 18 films before retiring last year. She produces a weekly podcast, Kate's Take, about the inspirational messages in movies and speaks publicly in support of the need for women in film.









Panels & Discussions



STORYTELLING FOR VIRTUAL REALITY

Friday, June 16 - 2:30pm | CC Spectator Lounge Sponsored by MOSAIC





John has spoken on 5 continents about using the power of story to change the journeys of individuals, communities, cultures, and nations. He is a frequent guest on the podcast circuit, including stints on The Vertigo Lounge (DC Comics Podcast). He is the author of numerous books including "The Inside Out Story," "Master of the Cinematic Universe: The Secret Code for Writing in the New World of Media" and "Storytelling for Virtual Reality."



STARTING A FW FILMMAKERS NETWORK CHAPTER

Saturday, June 17 - 12pm | CC Spectator Lounge

The Indiana Filmmakers Network aims to connect and empower creatives of all kinds across Indiana. Join **Nathan Bechtold** and other Hoosiers working to see their creative visions become reality.



FILMMAKER SPEED NETWORKING

Saturday, June 17 - 2:30pm | CC Spectator Lounge

Attention filmmakers: got a project that needs a crew? Looking for collaborators? Or maybe you want to pitch your ideas to other creative media makers? This networking event hosted by Eugene Gussenhoven allows you to interact with everyone in the room, with just enough time to make a connection and hopefully, lead to future submissions at the next year's festival. All filmmakers from every stage in their career are welcome!

FESTIVAL PASSES



The five members of the Awards jury each spent 20 hours viewing the films selected to be shown during the 2017 Hobnobben Film Festival. On April 22, the members met to determine the winner in each of the six awards categories - Best Documentary, Hoosier Spirit Award, The Philo Award, Best Narrative Feature, Best Short, Best Student Work.

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Brad Bores' debut won the Juried Award for Best Doc at the 2014 New Orleans Film Festival and has won several awards at festivals around the world. Bores continues to produce documentaries and commercials under his production company.



Logan Bushey is a telecommunications graduate and avidly reviews films. He can ususally be found at Cinema Center, a multiplex theater or in his home theater with an expansive film collection. He dreams of one day becoming a professional critic.



Kate Chaplin is an award-winning filmmaker, having produced 18 films before retiring last year. She produces a weekly podcast, Kate's Take, about the inspirational messages in movies and speaks publicly in support of the need for women in film.



Steve Penhollow is a 25-year journalism vet who has covered film (among many other aspects of entertainment and the arts) in a full-time capacity for three newspapers. He currently freelances for a myriad of publications.



Danee Pye is a writer and a rhetorician, a free spirit and an academic. As president of Common People United, she leads a team of creatives, account execs and digital marketers in a quest to make digital marketing better for everyone.

GENERAL ADMISSION

SINGLE-SCREENING TICKETS Prices are for tickets purchased during Adult \$10 indicated dates. Kids (12 & under) \$8 5/11-5/28 \$79 6 Pack Tickets \$50 5/29-6/11 \$89 **Awards Ceremony** \$20 6/12-6/15 \$99

\$60

(6 pack tickets + Awards Ceremony)

Tickets may be purchased at Cinema Center before the Festival and at the following venues during the Festival:

Fort Wayne Cinema Center 437 East Berry Street

Saturday Awards Package

Auer Center for Arts & Culture 300 Fast Main Street

Arts United Center 303 East Main Street

Please visit **hobnobben.org/boxoffice** for more information.

LANYARD COLORS

WHITE: Festival Committee/Volunteer

BLUE: Sponsors

ORANGE: Filmmakers

YELLOW: Festival Attendees



THURSDAY

The Hero Opening Night Film

11:30

3PM 3:30

8:30

10PM 10:30 11PM 11:30 Lizzie Shea

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

ITS	CINEMA CENTER	ARTSLAB	ARTS UNITED CENTER	SPECIAL EVENTS

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				in Film Discussion
				Kate Chaplin
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	The Land	Soaked in Carmine		Lounge
	Beneath Our Feet	with		VR
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	Jojin Van Winkle			Discussion John Bucher
***				in the CC Spectator
				Lounge
	Search Engines	Philo Fest Television		
		Pilots		
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SATURDAY, JUNE 17

SUNDAY

	CINEMA CENTER	ARTSLAB	ARTS UNITED CENTER	SPECIAL EVENTS	CINEMACENTER	
11AM	Shine On! Animated					
11:30	Films from Children's Film Fest Seattle					
NOON	Seame			Starting A FW Film Network Chapter Discussion Nathan Bechtold		
12:30				Discussion Nathan Bechtold		
1PM	Points of View	Class Act		in the CC Spectator Lounge	Menashe	
1:30						
2PM						
2:30				Filmmaker Networking Session		
3PM				Eugene G. in the CC Spectator	One Week &	
3:30	Graveyard of the			Lounge	a Day	
4PM	Great Lakes with Eric	Short Haul				
4:30	Seals					
5PM		L		Sound & Shadow		
5:30	Answering the Call			Redux: Battleship Potemkin	Lost in Paris	
6PM				with Hope Arthur Orchestra		
6:30				AUC		
7PM	Lemon			Awards Ceremony		
7:30		These Daughters		at the lan Rolland Gallery,	Whose Streets? Closing Night Film	
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9PM						Eye-
9:30				Sound & Shadow Redux:		Opening Films
10PM	Lord Blood Rah's			Metropolis with Metavari		Feature
10:30	Nerve Wrackin' Theatre			AUC		Films
11PM	LIVE / Spider Baby					Special
11:30						Events

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CAN'T-MISS LIST

THURSDAY

The Hero

7pm @ Arts United Center

FRIDAY

Women Pioneers in Film Panel with Kate Chaplin 1pm @ CC Spectator Lounge

The Land Beneath Our Feet 2:15pm @ Cinema Center

Philo Fest 4pm @ ArtsLab

Blocknobben 6pm @ Arts United Plaza

Hoosier Spirit Showcase 6:30pm @ Arts United Center

Impresario & Inhumanwich Night Cap 10:15pm @ Cinema Center

TRUE STORIES

CAN'T-MISS DOCUMENTARIES

THURSDAY

Dina

3pm @ Cinema Center

FRIDAY

A Brush Soaked in Carmine

2pm @ ArtsLab

Contemporary Color 8pm @ Cinema Center SATURDAY

Shine On! Animated
Films from the Seattle
Children's Film Festival
11am @ Cinema Center

Points of View

1pm @ Cinema Center

Sound & Shadow Redux: Battleship Potemkin with Hope Arthur Orchestra 5pm @ Arts United Center

Hobnobben Awards Ceremony
7pm @ Arts United Center

Sound & Shadow Redux: Metropolis with Metavari 9:15pm @ Arts United Center

SUNDAY

Menashe

1pm @ Cinema Center

Lost In Paris

5:15pm @ Cinema Center

SATURDAY

Graveyard of the Great Lakes

3:30pm @ Cinema Center

Answering the Call

5:15pm @ Cinema Center

SUNDAY

Whose Streets

7:15pm @ Cinema Center

LOCALLY-MADE MASTERPIECES
CAN'T-MISS REGIONAL FILMS

THURSDAY

Lizzie Shea

9pm @ Cinema Center Spectator Lounge

FRIDAY

Philo Fest

4pm @ ArtsLab

Hoosier Spirit Showcase
6:30pm @ Arts United Center

The Things We've Seen 9:15pm @ ArtsLab

MAKING THE FESTIVAL ROUNDS
CURATED, CAN'T-MISS FILMS

THURSDAY

The Hero

7pm @ Arts United Center

FRIDAY

Contemporary Color 8pm @ Cinema Center SATURDAY

Starting a FW Chapter of Indiana Filmmakers Panel

Noon @ Cinema Center Spectator Lounge

Class Act Student Films

1pm @ ArtsLab

Answering the Call

5:15pm @ Cinema Center

SUNDAY

One Week and a Day

3pm @ Cinema Center

Lost In Paris

5:15pm @ Cinema Center





In the summer of 2015, legendary musician David Byrne staged an event at Brooklyn's Barclays Center to celebrate the creativity of color guard: synchronized dance routines involving flags, rifles, and sabers, colloquially known as "the sport of the arts." Byrne recruited performers Lucius, Nico Muhly & Ira Glass, Nelly Furtado, St. Vincent, Devonté Hynes, How To Dress Well, Zola Jesus, Money Mark + Ad-Rock, and tUnEyArDs to join him in creating original compositions to accompany ten color guard teams' performances. The result is CONTEMPORARY COLOR, a bold and irrepressible snapshot of a one-of-a-kind live experience.

Producers: Josh Penn, Michael Gottwald, David Byrne

Distributor: Oscilloscope Laboratories



Hobnobben Preview Film

In this winner of the Sundance U.S. documentary grand jury prize, an eccentric suburban woman and a Walmart door greeter navigate their evolving relationship in this unconventional love story.

Directors: Antonio Santini, Dan Sickles

Distributor: The Orchard



Opening Night Film

Diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, an aging actor (Sam Elliott) tries to reconcile with his estranged daughter (Krysten Ritter) while striking up a new relationship with a wild woman (Laura Prepon).

Director: Brett Haley

Producers: Houston King, Sam Bisbee, Erik Rommesmo

Distributor: The Orchard



Lemon: a person or thing that proves to be defective, imperfect, or unsatisfactory. Isaac Lachmann is a dud. Isaac is 40. Isaac Lachmann is a man in free fall immobilized by mediocrity. His career is going nowhere. His girlfriend of ten years is leaving him. And his overbearing family doesn't help matters. What did he do to deserve this? Things were supposed to work differently for him. Isaac Lachmann had big dreams. Now he just watches as life unravels.

Director: Janciza Brava

Producers: David Bernon, Paul Bernon, Houston King, Sam Slater, Han West

Distributor: Magnolia

Eye-Opening Films





Filmed in Dominique Abel and Fiona Gordon's signature whimsical style, "Lost In Paris" stars the filmmakers as a smalltown Canadian librarian and a strangely seductive, oddly egotistical vagabond. When Fiona's orderly life is disrupted by a letter of distress from her 93-year-old Aunt Martha who is living in Paris, Fiona hops on the first plane she can and arrives only to discover that Martha has disappeared. In an avalanche of spectacular disasters, she encounters Dom, the affable, but annoying tramp who just won't leave her alone. Replete with the amazing antics and intricately choreographed slapstick that has come to define Abel and Gordon's work, "Lost In Paris" is a wondrously fun and hectic tale of peculiar people finding love while lost in the City of Lights.

Producers: Dominique Abel, Fiona Gordon **Distributor:** Oscilloscope Laboratories



Deep in the heart of New York's ultra-orthodox Hasidic Jewish community, Menashe—a kind, hapless grocery store clerk—struggles to make ends meet and responsibly parent his young son, Rieven, following his wife Leah's death. Tradition prohibits Menashe from raising his son alone, so Rieven's strict uncle adopts him, leaving Menashe heartbroken. Meanwhile, though Menashe seems to bungle every challenge in his path, his rabbi grants him one special week with Rieven before Leah's memorial. It's his chance to prove himself a suitable man of faith and fatherhood, and restore respect among his doubters.

Director: Joshua Z. Weinstein

Distributor: A24



As Eyal finishes the traditional Jewish week of mourning for his late son, his wife Vicky urges him to return to their routine - but just because the shiva has ended doesn't mean it's life as usual. Each coping in their own way, Eyal and Vicky both attempt to regain a sense of control over their future, as they struggle to discover that there are still things in life worth living for. Asaph Polonsky's debut feature "One Week and a Day" provides a nuanced perspective on loss that is humorous, touching, and above all else, life affirming.

Producers: Asaph Polonsky, Saar Yogev and Naomi Levari

Distributor: Oscilloscope Laboratories



Closing Night Film

Post-film discussion with the NAACP Youth & College Division
Told by the activists and leaders who live and breathe this
movement for justice, Whose Streets? is an unflinching look at
the Ferguson uprising. When unarmed teenager Michael Brown
is killed by police and left lying in the street for hours, it marks a
breaking point for the residents of St. Louis, Missouri. Grief, longstanding social tension and renewed anger bring residents
together to hold vigil and protest this latest tragedy. Empowered
parents, artists, and teachers from around the country come
together as freedom fighters. As the national guard descends on
Ferguson with military grade weaponry, these young community
members become the torchbearers of a new resistance.

Distributor: Magnolia

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Films



Go on a playful musical journey from the subatomic to the galactic with science ideas including wave particle duality, evolution and pollination.

Producer: Erin Shea



The bloody attacks on protestors in Selma in 1965 led to the historic protection of all Americans' right to vote. The film explores a family's story of Selma and the current state of suppression in America.

Director: Brian Jenkins

Producers: Brian Jenkins, Michael Jenkins,

Jim Witeck, John Witeck, David Patch, Pamela Patch



Two young lovers go for a walk in the park and are inspired to reveal their true feelings about each other.

Director: Jason K. Allen

Producer: Ponda Frost, Scott Pessoni



Screening with filmmaker Teodor Todorov

In 2007, Bulgarian iconographer Jordan Opitz fatally shot Marian lanchev on a residential street in Sofia. lanchev, a drug addict, was killed as he attempted to escape Opitz's apartment building - a place he had been suspected of robbing with his friend. This documentary is an exploration of the context in which the shooting took place, the people that were involved in the incident and the controversy of Opitz's prison sentence. The film includes five interviews, the main one being with Opitz himself - conducted while he was still an inmate at Kazichene Prison - and uses reenactments to illustrate various elements of the story. A Brush Soaked In Carmine is a balanced look at a controversial incident that split the Bulgarian public.

Producers: Robin Chambers, Teodor Todorov (will be in attendance)



Roger is a lonely cab driver who is diagnosed with a terminally ill disease. He is shaken by the sudden death of his ex-wife, and steals a cab from his job and sets out to find the son he hasn't seen in more than thirty years.

Director: Michael McCallum

Producers: Michael McCallum, William C. McCallum, Jonathan Worful





The Chatterbox has been an Indianapolis bar since the '30s, but it hasn't always been the establishment it is today. Owner David Andrichik has created a home where all are welcome and local jazz musicians can share their art.

Director: Daniel Arthur Jacobson (will be in attendance)



Deborah relies on chance to avoid making any choices in her life, but then faces a decision that can't be left up to fate.

Director: Rick Hamilton

Producers: Rick Hamilton, Hanna Zakouri



Haile Stephens has it all: the husband, the house, the car and all that money can buy. Or does she?

Director: Timeca M. Siretti

Producers: Christina Romero, Leslie Lange, Monique Straw, Melanie Rene



An eclectic group of eccentrics attempt to find their center in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Director: Ryne Hastings

Producers: Ryne Hastings, Elijah Phenicie



Bernard Toussaint rescues a young girl from a ruthless Haitian pimp and breaks up a human trafficking ring in Port Au Prince. He quickly flees his home country and settles in East St. Louis, Illinois, an American city hampered by third world living conditions. Taking his brother's advice, Bernard sets out to make his American Dream a reality and finds himself on the wrong side of the law. Ten years later, karma rears its ugly head and Bernard's past comes back to haunt him. Determined to even the score, the Haitian pimp exacts revenge through Bernard's wife and daughter.

Director: Huey Rawls

Producer: A.L. Smith (will be in attendance)





After the untimely death of his brother, a former criminal must decide what to do when he finds out who's responsible.

Director: Adam King

Producers: Adam King, Taylor Fredricks, Ryne Hastings



A young boy is sitting next to a dry river, watching the barren land while fantasizing about fishing. Drowning in his daydream, he coughs and comes back to his senses, gets up and walks along the river.

Director & Producer: Mohammad Mohammadian



A group of married couples get together for a night during the holiday. The married guys are trying to get their one single guy friend to talk to a girl at the bar. They realize throughout the evening that they all hooked up with her previously.

Director & Producer: Michael McCallum



A man travels to bury a piece of his past.

Directors & Producers: Khyler Runnels, Matt Jacobs



The story begins in a brainstorm and ends in the place where the best ideas are made. This innovative stop-motion animation uses illuminated puppets to tell the tale of a lost thought searching for a place to belong. Follow him on an adventure through different parts of the brain where he will find fun, amazement, fear and rejection.

Director: Rhiannon Evans



A documentary about an interesting avantgarde musical act called Goopfest.

Director: Joshua Rosebrough

Producer: Rachel Hart





Screening with filmmaker Eric Seals

Great Lakes historians say up to 10,000 shipwrecks are at the bottom and they are full of history.

74-year-old shipwreck hunter David Trotter has spent half his life hunting for them, exploring and telling their stories.

This documentary is about three of the many shipwrecks he has found on Lake Huron. You'll learn about the life and death struggle aboard for the sailors, the heroic connection to the past and the story of a lone survivor.

Director & Producer: Eric Seals



The life of college freshman Wes Donovan is changed when his high school girlfriend commits suicide. Already in the dramatic throes of starting college, this news challenges everything Wes knows and believes about life. But with the help of those who love him, he learns to live his life anew.

Director: Nick Lallo (will be in attendance)

Producers: Monica Lickona



An apt reflection of what it means to have a child in this time - liability overrules asset when it comes to "The Guest."

Directors: Stephan Leeper, Josh Addessi



Every time Lucy is called "Mouse" by her Mum, she turns into a real mouse! What is she going to do?

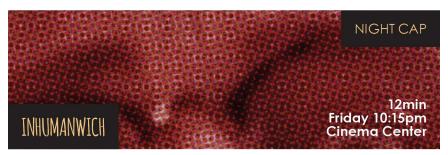
Producers: Evgenia Golubeva



In a failed attempt to leave his life as a career criminal behind, a man seeks blood after his former employer murders his wife.

Director: Ryne Hastings (will be in attendance) **Producers:** Ryne Hastings, Elijah Phenicie





Inspired by your favorite 1950s B-movies, the film tells the story of Joe Neumann, an all-American astronaut who mutates into an unstoppable sandwich monster. Can a few devoted scientists and hard-nosed soldiers stop the creature before it devours the planet?

Director: David Cornelius

Producers: David Cornelius, Matthew Gray, Matt Laumann, Ryan Magrish



A young girl from a family of "Face Changers" takes a journey to a mountain to alter the direction of the wind.

Producer: Nathan Jurevicius



Three Elvis impersonators are fired from their dead-end jobs at an old theater, and then pursue a life-long dream of finding The King still alive.

Director: Max Romanowski **Producer:** Ryan Avery

Writer: Austin Yoder (will be in attendance)



A small rice ball who lives in a food case sets out to shop for sesame seeds, and encounters adventures along the way.

Producer: Mari Miyazawa



Screening with filmmaker Jojin Van Winkle

Archival footage from a 1926 Harvard expedition to Liberia is woven with the journey of a Liberian man uprooted by war, seeking to understand how the past has shaped national conflicts. A reminder of how land-grabs can transform livelihoods across the planet.

Directors & Producers: Sarita Siegel, Gregg Mitman **Associate Producer:** Jojin Van Winkle (will be in attendance)



The lives of pastors, prostitutes, and policeman collide amidst the desperation of Depression-era Miami.

Director & Producer: Andrew Paul Davis (will be in attendance)





A shy girl develops empathy for others which helps her break outside of her shell.

Producers: Rawan Rahim



A little stone lion, determined to prove his great ability in being a temple guardian, tries to chase a hungry cat who is munching on offerings on the altar table. But the two foes soon wind up as friends.

Producers: Tang Chen



Lizzie Shea is a dramatic webseries set and filmed in Fort Wayne. Lizzie is a troubled 22-year-old woman who returns to her hometown for the first time in several years. The series feature actors, performers, artists, and musicians from the greater Fort Wayne community.

Director: Jack Cantey



Lord Blood-Rah hosts the weird and wild cult classic "Spider Baby," starring Lon Chaney Jr., Carol Ohmart and Sid Haig.



Anna & Ralph have been happily married for over 50 years - he is a little befuddled and she has a bit of a hearing problem. When the Angel of Death arrives to bestow a special honor, they mistake him for a pushy salesman; nevertheless, their time together is threatened.

Director: Mark Dessauer (will be in attendance)

Producers: Mark Dessauer, Kim Weber



Generations of fans unified through their love of Chicago baseball create a story that penetrates beyond just the sports world. Follow the 'North Side Faithful' through the emotional 2016 Cubs postseason and experience their attempt to become "Lovable Winners."

Director: Michael Gallup

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Luminary is a short film about broken relationships caused by heroin addiction. A life is made of moments, pieces of a puzzle engraved in a world of senses. You shall now meet Zoe, a beautiful flame divided through the darkness of her addiction. The narrative line follows the idea of expression of memories and thoughts hidden into a palette of emotions. The film presents several moments of Zoe's life. A moment of childhood, uncontrollable need, with her sister, daughter, and father. Zoe partying and making a fatal decision. In all these moments, her loved ones observe her, resent her, love her.

Director: Enva Belak

Producers: Eve Dautremant-Tomas



Mel is a homeless man who can usually be found on his favorite park bench. He's quiet, never bothers anyone. Minds his own business. Most people avoid him - or ignore him.

Haley is a young businesswoman on her lunch break. She has noticed Mel before but never spoken to him. But today she decides to make a connection. During their brief encounter, Haley learns that although Mel may possess very little, he has plenty to give.

Mel, meanwhile, learns that he is not alone. He is not the only one searching for answers. And on this particular day, he may have found his purpose - whether he realizes it or not.

Director: Christina Stone **Producer:** Robert Stone



This is a film about artist Marko Markewycz and the way he sees the world.

Director: Amanda Speva

Producer: Amanda Speva, Emma Jubinski



Mimi, a blind girl, and her best friend Lisa help their colorless neighbor find joy in colors.

Producer: Katarína Kerekesová



A group of failing monsters gather at a community center, revealing the real demons that torment them. "Sharing is scary."

Director: Steve Gast

Producer: Tommy Martin (will be in attendance)





Every night, the Moon Wolves stare at the moon. But one night, their longing grows so intense they must do something. They must go there.

Producer: Nima Yousefi



Perma Gold Mine, Benin. Some dream to find something, others realized there was nothing to be found. Some dig relentlessly hoping to become rich, others died in the process. And a few of them say that here, nobody dies.

Director & Producer: Simon Panay



One Penny is the story of Dylan, a young boy who is stripped of his privileged life and forced to live on the streets. He is taken in by a homeless man known as 'Professor' living in a homeless community, Shepherd's Cove. Flash forward 10 years, Dylan now an ambitious teen struggles with the realities of being homeless. He devises a plan with his best friend Collin to help the community and get off the streets. They run into problems when Dylan crosses paths with a local gangster named Tristan. As the story unfolds we learn that Dylan and Tristan have a past that will connect them forever.

Director: Michael DeVita **Producer:** David A. Melendez



86 yr. old Barber Walter "Posey" Fodrell on his last day to live shares a memoir of a historically unknown secret pact between John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King & Malcolm X that sparked one of the greatest untold stories in Civil Rights history. This story is the genesis of what became a gritty stalwart band of 'Secret Civil Rights Soldiers' known as the 'PADLOCK MEN.'

Director: Lewis T. Powell (will be in attendance)

Producers: Lewis T. Powell, Wayne Witherspoon, Leslie Wong





In 1991 Croatia began its war for independence. More than a million land mines were planted in the ground as a result. In 2015 over 50,000 of those mines still remain active. Civil war has broken out in Syria. Million of refugees flee the country. They turn west towards Croatia. Many cross the border and inadvertently wander into the mine fields. Ante is an expert who has volunteered to clear the mines in high risk areas. He runs into a problem when he discovers a Syrian child has chased a ball right into his assigned field. Ante has to push his wits to the limit and risk his life in order to retrieve the child from the field.

Director: Matthew Burris

Producers: Matthew Burris, Lance Clark, Dawn Ford



Modern-day France. Following the outbreak of an unprecedented epidemic, five survivors have been barricaded in an apartment for several months. As the menace outside grows, they decide to leave the city. As they go in search of themselves, these five broken people will find the strength to survive and fulfill the aspirations that their history and society had not allowed them to reach.

Director: Christelle Gras

Producers: Christelle Gras, Yohan Labrousse





Sahbak tells four stories of love and friendship between Israelis and Palestinians. These are stories of people divided by religion and separated by borders and checkpoints, and the most unlikely bonds that have formed between them.

Director: Priyali Sur (will be in attendance)



Two lovers find themselves between two worlds during the celebration of the Day of the Dead.

Directors: Timothy Alan Richardson, Michael Kouroubetes

Producer: Chris G. Waite



Three individuals describe what the sense of smell means to them.

Directors: Evan Matteson, Panthelys Theodoracopoulos

Producer: Joshua Bellis

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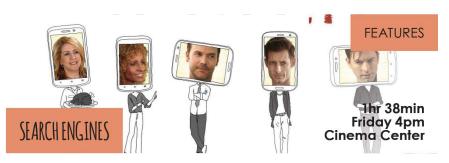
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Sanity and relationships are put to the test when mysterious circumstances force a family to survive the annual American Thanksgiving holiday without their cell phones.

Director: Russell Brown

Producers: John Baumgartner, Kerry Barden, Russell Brown



Mr. Bumble would like to take a little nap. But it's hard, because his friends are making so much noise!

Producers: Kai Pannen



After falling deeply in love, two women struggle with domesticity and their opposite personalities.

Director: Savannah Rodgers (will be in attendance) **Producers:** Savannah Rodgers, Meagan Flynn



A little squirrel finds something he has never seen before.

Producers: Olesya Shchukina



Norman Tulley is a man who never really grew up; still living with his mother, he spends his days full of anxiety and worry over imagined symptoms of disease. After getting an earful from a fed up physician, he must decide if he will change his ways or seek out medical help when the symptoms all return.

Director: Ryan Burson (will be in attendance)

Producers: Nicole Wethington



Tabloid is a commentary on how the media often unfairly targets individuals by manipulating the society that surrounds them.

Director: Tyler Sherman **Producer:** Dakota Reinike





In this re-telling of the classic American folk tale, a reclusive man living in a cabin with his hungry hunting dog is stalked by a creature.

Director & Producer: Cameron McCasland

Cinematographer: Josh Ickes (will be in attendance)



A domineering father gradually loses control over his family due to his wife's sudden illness and his own health troubles. He and his two daughters, a 40-year-old single actress, and an emotionally-unstable schoolteacher discover the strength of family ties in a situation of imminent danger.



The starship Tantalus drifts through space.

Director & Producer: Javier Chillon



In a town awash in the turmoils of a foundering economy, conditions are made worse when the local mill catches fire. Accused of the arson, Rayford Boem organizes an armed resistance to defend his name against Sheriff Pascal.

When word reaches the family, Reagan Boem sets off in search of his missing father with the intent to bring him home and repair the damage he has felt since childhood.

Director: Tre Manchester

Producers: Tre Manchester, Donald Bernacky, Roger Welp



"Walk With Me" tells the story of a unique church run by and for prisoners, ex prisoners and people of faith who want to be in solidarity with them. It starts with an ordained elder who is an ex prisoner, driving out to a prison to meet a church member who is getting out after 21 years inside. We meet two more formerly incarcerated church members and a long time Presbyterian who has never been in prison. We see how people with radically different life experiences come together to worship, celebrate, support each other, work for social change together and become friends.

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An average joe named David craves social interaction when he moves to a new town where people only speak superficially. He attempts to understand the new people around him but can't seem to relate until he becomes one of them. However, David faces a dilemma when a newcomer arrives in town.

Director: Jacob Guenin (will be in attendance) **Producer:** Jana Lowery (will be in attendance) Assistant Camera: Selena Webb, Eric Heinzman

(both will be in attendance)

Starring: Mark Rawlins, Jacki Walburn (both will be in attendance



A woman tells a great story to her baby. In the manner of a tale with princes and princesses, she remains in his memories to pass on his daughter.

Director & Producer: Fabrice Bracq



We saved one award for the Hobnobben attendees to choose: the People's Choice Award.

Your opinion matters to both the festival and the filmmakers. As you exit the theatre, you will have the opportunity to place a token into a ballot box for each film. You only get to vote once for a given film but you can vote for as many films as you want. Our volunteers will be there to assist you with voting.

The People's Choice Award will be announced through social media after the festival is over.

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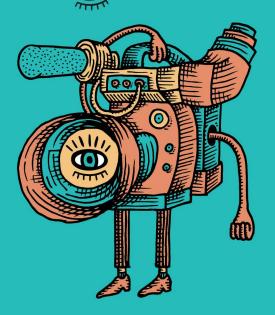
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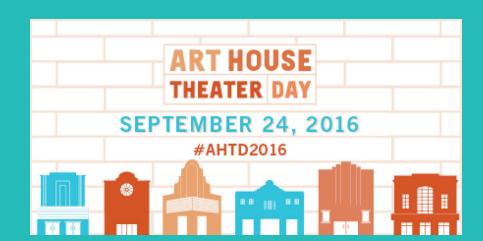
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Our **Film the Fort** teams will be spending 48 hours creating short films from scratch using only smartphones. They'll be in and around the festival all weekend, including transforming Blocknobben into a movie set you can experience, working from Thursday night straight through to get everything written, shot and edited before the Awards Ceremony brings the contest to an end.

Be sure to join us on August 21, 2017 as we screen the films and crown a Film the Fort winner. Want to join the challenge? E-mail info@hobnobben.com to get on the list!



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It is an honor to serve both on the Cinema Center Board of Directors and as Festival Chair. While our inaugural event in 2016 was a success, our leadership team learned and the Hobnobben vision has evolved in its second year. We've enhanced the 2017 Hobnobben Film Festival with even bigger and more creative ways to bring together filmmakers and film lovers. We can hardly wait to share the art of film with Fort Wayne this June!

Hobnobben would not have been possible without the 65 amazing individuals that make up our planning committee. As you might expect, channeling that much talent required organization! Our leadership committee consisted of myself, Cinema Center's Executive Director, Jonah Crismore, and 14 volunteer leads who recruited and managed committees, each with their own unique focus.

The Hobnobben planners are among the most creative and dedicated individuals I have worked with and this year has been inspirational. Watching everyone come together for a common cause under the vision and direction of Jonah Crismore was an honor.

I'd like to take this opportunity to formally thank everyone on our planning committee who came together to make this experience happen. Without each and every one of you we would not be here today.

I'd also like to thank our sponsors and community partners for believing in Jonah's vision and supporting us from dream to success.

So with that, thank you and I will see you at Hobnobben 2017.

Ryan Krueckeberg

Hobnobben Film Festival Chair

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