

The following are the screening listings, by day and venue, for the 18th Annual Philadelphia Independent Film Festival. This is the screening listings and *is not the guide*. The festival guide will be *distributed next week*.

**All screenings will begin promptly*, that way it guarantees allotted times for every Official Selection. Q & A with attending filmmakers will either take place in the theater or outside the venue by the Red Carpet. We will know as the more than 30 screenings across multiple venues progress. Thank you for your films and thank you for your patience.

We are truly proud to present the 18th annual slate as an expression of the truly bold and deeply creative stories being told through the infinite possibilities of “filmmaking” locally and around the world. Let the voices be heard... PIFF 2025.

Check PIFF [listings](#) for screening dates, times and ongoing updates. Screenings will sell out,, so watch for updates on the festival [Blog](#) or [instagram](#). Purchase tickets in advance. Rush tickets will be available in small amounts day of screening. See you in the theaters!

[Wednesday May. 7th, 2025](#)
[Opening Night!](#)

Canal Street Film Center

941 N Front Street Philadelphia, PA. 19123

Opening Comedy Night!

Screenings will have a 10 minute intermission! Doors open at 7:00 PM! \$15

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- ❖ Date Night (Comedy) 5:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Joseph Biello
- ❖ Shaba Daba (Comedy) 12:11 min. (Philadelphia) Director Tony Dinero
- ❖ Sex Pirates of 1931 (Comedy) 14:12 min. (Philadelphia/Ireland) Director Megan McGurk
- ~ INTERMISSION ~
- ❖ Viaticum 14:00 min. (Comedy) (Lincoln University, PA) Director Derek Frey
- ❖ Muddy Goes to College (Comedy) 11:29 min. (Philadelphia) Director Alex Rienhard
- ❖ No Thoughts! (Comedy) 17:45 min. (Ohio/Philadelphia) Director Steve McJones

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1:30 PM - 2:00 PM

Experimental...Arthouse <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Monument (Experimental) 17:24 min. (Richmond, Virginia) Director Jeremy Drummand
- ❖ Object Permanence (Experimental, Arthouse, Silent) 17:17 min. (Brooklyn, NY) Director Juan Lopez
- ❖ Stone House Lane: Philadelphia Institute of Psychogeography (Experimental) 4:23 min. (Philadelphia, PA USA) Director Alan Pelz-Sharpe
- ❖ A Sign of the Times (Experimental) 1:47 min. (Philadelphia PA USA) Director Peter Rose

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Festival De Animacion #18

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- ❖ Lint (Animation) 14:28 min. (Philadelphia, PA USA) Director Luis Hernandez
- ❖ Birds of Feather (Animation) 4:44 min. (Rochester, NY) Director Katie Cobbs
- ❖ Into Red Tale (Animation) 4:05 min. (NY) Director Alisdair Zhang
- ❖ The Guest from Elsewhere (Chicago, Il) 6:40 min. (Animation) Director Ethan Anderson
- ❖ Magic Beans (Animation) 06:25 min. (Pottstown, PA) Director Alex Hagendorf
- ❖ Christopher & the Bug (Animation) 12:07 min. (Canada) Director Vanessa Lynn Esteves, Kevin Micallef
- ❖ Voicemails from my Dad (Animation) 05:53 min. (Los Angeles, CA) Director Gabby Cherney
- ❖ With Tits (Animation) 3:00 min. (Carrolltown, PA) Director Delia Morchesky

[Thursday May. 8th, 2025](#)

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3:15 PM - 4:15 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Single Light (Drama) 19:16 min. (Israel) Director Shaylee Atary
- ❖ Home/Land (Documentary) 22:44 min. (Brooklyn, NY / Israel) Director Adam Chitayat

5:35 - 7:15 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Hello Beautiful (DRAMA) 01:41:00 min. (Los Angeles, CA) *PHILADELPHIA PREMIER
Director Zlad H Hamzeh
 - My Name Was Jacob (Drama) 7:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Kyle Prout

7:45 PM - 9:45 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Traumnovelle (Horror) 01:48:00 min. (Germany) *NORTH AMERICAN PREMIER*
Director Florian Frerichs
 - They're Taking My House (Experimental) 4:23 min. Director Dan Lopez

10:00 PM - 11:10 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ The Black-Eyed Children (Horror) 01:10:02 min. *WORLD PREMIER (Hungary)
Director József Gallai

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12:10 PM - 1:10 PM *** Matinee *** <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ A Sign of the Times (Experimental) 1:47 min. (Philadelphia) Director Peter Rose
- ❖ Un Dia Normal (Documentary) 16:02 min. (Mexico/USA) Director Maurizio Dominguez
- ❖ Calling Card (Drama, Comedy) 5:46 min. (Australia) Director Annabelle Miller
- ❖ The Cave Synagogue (Documentary) 7:45 min. (Philadelphia) Director Peter Decherney
- ❖ Bounty (Thriller) 13:20 min. (Swarthmore, PA) Director Robert Boyd

2:00 PM - 3:01 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Lucky Jack 61min. (Documentary) (Trenton, NJ) Director Bridgett Smith

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6:50 PM - 7:50 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ James West & The Electric Microphone (Documentary) 12:48 min. (North Centon, Ohio) Director Andrew Blike
- ❖ ABBY (Psychological Thriller) 10:23 min. (Philadelphia) Director Dorséa Palmer
- ❖ 20:15 Mexico DF (Romance, LGBTQ) 06:32 min. (Philadelphia) Director Alejandro Di Meglio

- ❖ Victorine (Magical Realism, Folkloric) 19:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Lunise Cerin
- ❖ My Special Boy (Horror) 12:07 min.(Philadelphia) Director Kayla Bowman.

8:15 PM - 9:35 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Influence: A Film in Verse (Experimental) 61 min. (Philadelphia) Director Madeline Johnson
 - Farm Grrrl Folk Punk: Motherwort (Music Documentary) 5:18 min (New York, NY) Director Austin Lee Bunn

[Friday May. 9th, 2025](#)

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12:10 PM - 1:10 PM

New York HORROR!! <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Voyeur (Horror) 14:33 min. (Brooklyn, NY) Director Isaac S Martin
- ❖ Fiend (Horror) 9:38 min. (Sherman Oaks, CA) Director Lucas Cavanagh
- ❖ Horror Tales of Shalom Kolontarov (Horror) 15:00 min. (NY) Director Shalom Kolontarov
- ❖ Threnody (Horror) 18:00 min. (NY) Director Isaias Badilla

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Philadelphia HORROR!! <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Inkwell Hell (Horror) 13:13 min. (Philadelphia/Rochester Institute of Technology) Director Mario Brown
- ❖ Hivemind (Horror) 3:16 min. (Pennsylvania) Director Joey Tangradi
- ❖ Face to Face (Horror, Thriller) (Philadelphia) 12:45 min. East Coast Premier. Director Thomas Emmet Ashton
- ❖ Grin (Horror) 5:19 min. (Philadelphia) Director J.P. Hoffman
- ❖ My Special Boy (Horror) 12:07 min. (Philadelphia) Director Kayla Bowman

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Science Fiction is Real #SCIFIISREAL <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Mom Jolie (Science Fiction) 29 min.(Newtown Square, PA) Director Aydan Schloffman
- ❖ Driven Out (Science Fiction) 20 min. (New Jersey) Director Andy Currie

4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

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Science Fiction #2

- ❖ Trial 54 (Science Fiction) 17:35 min. Director Davis Rohrer
- ❖ Endless (Science Fiction) 10:45 min. (Portland, Oregon) Director Derek Willis
- ❖ Hawlings Time Experiment (Science Fiction) 30:00 min. (China) Director Zhenghui Chen

5:45 PM - 6:45 PM

Philly Drama in Shorts #3 <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Lights out (Drama) 11:41 min. Director William Gleeson
- ❖ Calling Card (Drama, Comedy) 5:46 min. (Philadelphia/Australia) Director Annabelle Miller
- ❖ Chickentown (Drama) 13:10 min. (Bryn Mawr, PA) Director Madeline Poeta
- ❖ Bounty (Drama) 13:20 min. Director Robert Boyd
- ❖ Be My Lil Baby (Drama) 2:30 min. Director Alistair McDonald, Jesse Smallwood

7:10 PM - 9:00 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ To Die For (Drama) 100 min. (PERU) *NORTH AMERICAN PREMIER* Director Daniel Rehder Normand

9:16 PM - 10:45 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Thinsestra (Futuristic Drama) 87 min. (Los Angeles, CA) (North American Premier) Director Nathan Hertz
 - Before I Turn (Drama/Zombie) 10 min. (New Jersey) *PHILADELPHIA PREMIERE Director Saif Rehman

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1:30 PM - 2:35 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Simple, Somewhere Else (Drama) 16:28 min. (Chicago/Philadelphia) Director Amatus-sami Karim
- ❖ Black Bear (Tone Poem) 15:13 min. (Philadelphia) Director Benjamin Roe, Michael Messina
- ❖ Shaba Daba (Comedy) 12:11 min. (Burbank, CA) Director Tony dinero
- ❖ Made of Paper (Romance, Surreal) 12:27 min. (Philadelphia) Director Katherine Caro, Monica Flory

[Saturday May. 10th, 2025](#)

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2:10 PM - 3:11 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ I Died (Documentary) 61 min. (Chiapas, Mexico) Director Ana Ts'uyeb

3:35 PM - 4:50 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Lucky Jack 61min. (Documentary) (Trenton, NJ) Director Bridgett Smith
 - A House For My Mother (Documentary) 16 min. (New York) Director Pilar Timpone, Benjamin Nero

5:35 - 6:10 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

AI can change the world in filmmaking...

1. Ghost of the Forest (AI) 5:22 min. (Italy) Director Francesca Fini
2. Heartbeat (AI) 8:06 min.(USA) Director Justin Suarez
3. Everywhere is a good future (AI) 3:52 min. (China) Director Juno Wang
4. Ahab's Curse (AI) 9:00 min. (USA) Director Justin Suarez
5. Samsara (AI) 1:46 min. (Korea, Republic of) Director Sangwook Ahn
6. Miroir (AI) 2:38 min. (Portugal) Director Stephane Benini

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Philadelphia DRAMA in short <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Soil (Drama) 14:27 min. (Philadelphia) Director Ben McLaughlin
 - ❖ Chickentown (Drama) 13:10 min. (Bryn Mawr, PA) Director Madeline Poeta
 - ❖ LYZ (Dramedy) 10:22 min. (Chester, PA) Director Darnell Brown
- INTERMISSION
- ❖ Good Job Troy (Life) 3:58 min. (Philadelphia) Director Austin Courtney
 - ❖ Soil (Drama) 14:27 min. (Philadelphia) Director Ben McLaughlin

8:00 PM - 8:55 PM

Horror from around the globe... <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Weal (Drama/Horror) 15:00 min. (Drexel Hill, PA) Director Chase Antenucci
- ❖ The Itch (Horror) 14:28 min. (Mexico/USA) Director Gordon Phillips
- ❖ Monster (Horror) 11:04 min. (China) Director 乔乔治
- ❖ Damp (Horror) 13:00 min. (Argentina) Director Julieta Quiroga

9:10 PM - 10:00 PM

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1:00 PM - 1:45 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Is Gay Marriage Next (Documentary) 16:00 min. (Brooklyn, NY) Director Emily Clark
- ❖ Days Between Rest (Documentary) 11:42 min. (Philadelphia) Director Peter Decherney

2:00 PM - 3:10 PM DRAMA Time Screenings <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Orange juice (Drama) 12:00 min. (Los Angeles, CA) Director Erin Brennan
- ❖ Zhen (Drama) 11:00 min. (Iran) Director Azam Hasanpour
- ❖ Soil (Drama) 14:27 min. (Philadelphia) Director Ben McLaughlin
- ❖ Chickentown (Drama) 13:10 min. (Bryn Mawr, PA) Director Madeline Poeta
- ❖ LYZ (Dramedy) 10:22 min. (Chester, PA) Director Darnell Brown

Philadelphia Ethical Society

1906 Rittenhouse Square Philadelphia, PA 19103

DOORS at 4:00 PM

4:45 PM - 5:45 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Room Tone (Drama) 19:20 min. (Philadelphia, PA USA) Director Tatyana Yassukovich. A sound man who lives in a version of his own silent movie, finds himself on a set of an all female crew.
- ❖ The Space Between Attack and Decay (Experimental) 28:56 min.(Philadelphia, PA USA) Director Jessica Kourkounis. A solitary sailing scientist, assigned to resurrect a drowning world, abandons his task in order to chase the enchanting allure of a shiny object.

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6:00 PM - 7:00 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ Cut From My Own Cloth (Drama, Coming of Age) 10:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Zivia Avelin
- ❖ Surveillance (Comedy, Drama) 15:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Shaina George
- ❖ Billy & Kidd (Comedy, Western) 10:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Lola Knox, Connor Fuges
- ❖ Since I Last Saw Amara (Drama) 15:00 min. (Philadelphia) Director Izzy Mansaray

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7:30 PM - 9:30 PM <https://bit.ly/TicketsPIFF>

- ❖ THE MIRACLE (Drama) 1:58 min.(Philippines) Director Lemuel Lorca

[Closing Ceremony](#)
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