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### Welcome to AFF Youth 2021

AFF Youth is a celebration of the screen designed especially for young people, organised by the Adelaide Film Festival with the support of the Department for Education and SA Power Networks. Thank you to our predecessor the Adelaide International Youth Film Festival for laying the foundation.

While open to all, the program has been tailored for secondary schools and class bookings – talk to us about crafting a perfect excursion experience.

This week-long celebration of screen outlined in the following pages offers young South Australians the opportunity to see films from around the globe. The program includes unique industry sessions, meet the filmmakers and stars events and a Creative Industries Expo – a must for students wanting a career in the growing screen sector.

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#### **Yarta Tampinthi**

Adelaide Film Festivalrlu tampinthi, ngadlu Kaurna yartangka inparrinthi. Kaurna Miyurna yaitya mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku. Parnaku yailtya, parnaku tapa purruna, parnaku yarta ngadlu tampinthi. Yalaka Kaurna Miyurna parnaku yailtya, tapa purruna, yarta kuma puru martinthi, puru warri-apinthi, puru tangka martulayinthi. Kumartarna yaitya miyurna iyangka yalaka ngadlu tampinthi.

#### **Acknowledgement of Country**

Adelaide Film Festival acknowledges that we meet on the traditional Country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

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## Welcome to AFF Youth 2021



**The Hon. David Pisoni MP**Minister for Innovation and Skills

South Australia has entered a golden age of film production with the screen sector now an integral and growing part of South Australia's economy. Young South Australians can aspire to rewarding careers in screen - right here, right now in our own state. Just look at the credits of films. There are so many job opportunities available. If you are looking for a career in the screen industry, I encourage you to attend industry events like the Expo to find your path into the screen industry. Congratulations to AFF for this exciting new program initiative.



**Tilda Cobham-Hervey**AFF Youth Patron

Film festivals are one of the great wonders of the world, where you can immerse yourself in films but also meet people who love the art of screen storytelling. Growing up in Adelaide gave me many opportunities to immerse myself in the arts, while also developing my skills as both an actor and filmmaker before going on to live and work internationally. I'm proud to support the AFF Youth program and encourage everyone to come along and enjoy this fabulous opportunity!



The Hon. John Gardner MP Minister for Education

International demand for screen content is at an all-time high in South Australia, and we want to give our young people the best possible chance to secure jobs in this growing industry. The Adelaide Film Festival Youth is an exciting opportunity for South Australian students and teachers to immerse themselves in the world of filmmaking. I encourage all schools and students to embrace the 2021 program!



Mat Kesting, AFF CEO/ Creative Director

Welcome to the youngest arm of the Adelaide Film Festival – AFF Youth. Storytelling has been the backbone of culture since civilisation began and telling stories on screens, big and small, is a powerful mirror in which we understand ourselves today. Screen literacy is therefore essential to engaging with the contemporary world and the international demand for content continues to grow, generating increasing career opportunities for the next generation. AFF Youth is a window into the dream factory and we encourage you to embrace this exciting new offering. Thank you to our partners, donors, volunteers, board and staff who have made AFF Youth possible – see AFFYouth.org



Opening Film

Some strong language

Wed 28th Jul

12:25pm

Palace Nova Eastend

In a speculative world where everyday tech and ever-present news reports are eerily similar to our own, newly elected President Isimo (Roeland Fernhout) is on a mission to clean up the streets. This means screening propaganda in schools, getting students to march and sing in unison, rounding up all the children Isimo deems hideous and hiding them out of sight. One such kid is Paul de Wit (Sem Hulsmann), who starts a guerilla movement against the dictator and becomes the face of a vigilante street art campaign resisting Isimo's rule. Featuring slick production design and gutsy performances, The Club of Ugly Children is a bold, hopepunk satire about fascism. When adults are too scared to dismantle the status quo, rabble-rousing children really are the future.

Dir: Jonathan Elbers

Festivals: New York International Children's Film Festival

## **Advice for Teachers**

The Australian public is well versed in the Australian Classification Board's classifications schema of G, PG, M, MA. Films with an Australian theatrical release in cinemas will have been classified by the Board according to this schema.

Where films have a limited release at a film festival, the Australian Classification Boards allows film festivals to undertake this classification using their expertise to employ 3 categories: All Ages, 15+ and 18+.

#### Films in the Adelaide Film Festival Youth Program

Under the title of each film, in the film's information section, you will find a rating based on either the:

- -Australian Classification Board rating of G, PG, M, MA
- -Adelaide Film Festival assigned classification of All Ages, 15+ and 18+.

The age given in the sidebar, which is adjacent to the synopsis provides a guide to assist with selecting the film that is best suited for your students/children. This section also contains Content Advice.

Further advice and teacher resources available at AFFYouth.org

## **Statewide** Schools Filmmaking Competition

2021 is the inaugural year of the Statewide Schools Filmmaking Competition, with films coming in from across the State.

We are excited to have an experienced panel of local judges assessing the films - connecting inspiring creatives to the industry.

Get behind SA's next generation of young filmmakers either by attending the red-carpet Gala screening on Sunday July 25 or, with the support of SA Power Networks, watch the entries online and vote for the audience favourite.

AFF Youth has four cash prizes up for grabs for short screen works from school children in South Australia:

- -Best South Australian Primary School Film (Cash Prize: \$500)
- -Best South Australian Middle School Film (Cash Prize \$500)
- -University of South Australia and Rising Sun Pictures Best High School Film (Cash Prize: \$1000)
- -SA Power Networks People's Choice Award (Cash prize: \$1,000) for the audience's favourite film created by South Australian students (available to high, middle or primary school).











## **Youth Jury**

In 2021, AFF Youth called for nine young lovers of cinema from across South Australian schools to join our youth jury to decide the award winners of our national and international screening program.

Under the guidance of an industry member and educator, the Youth Jury views and awards the following:

#### **Professionally made films:**

- -Best Film for 5-12-year-olds
- -Best Film for 13-15-year-olds
- -Best Film for 16+
- -Best Overall Film 2021

#### **Student filmmakers**

- -Best Film by an Australian young filmmaker/s (Primary, Middle & Senior school)
- -Best Film by International young filmmaker









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Red Carpet Gala Screening

## Feature Fiction

Fiction films show us experiences beyond our own, encouraging empathy and broadening worldviews. This year's line-up features young people in challenging environments, forced to find and defend their values and then to negotiate their position with others.

#### **Beans**

2020, Canada, 92 mins, 15+, English

Thur 29 Jul 9:45am Palace Nova Eastend 5:30pm Palace Nova Eastend

#### A struggle for sacred ground

Based on true events, this radical coming-of-age story remembers the 1990s Oka Crisis through children's eyes. Sweet, obedient Tekehentahkhwa (Kiawentizio Tarbell, *Anne with an E*) – nicknamed 'Beans' for the ease of her white peers – is a Mohawk girl standing at the cliff face of adolescence. When a land rights dispute divides her small hometown, Beans is inspired by her First Nations family, fighting to protect a pine forest from profane redevelopment. Closer to home, she finds excitement under the broken wing of older teen April (Paulina J Alexis, *Ghostbusters: Afterlife*). Soon enough, Beans is going toe-to-toe with racist cops, sleazy boys, even her own parents, as she struggles to decide not what she wants to be when she grows up, but who.

Dir: Tracey Deer

Festivals: Berlinale, Toronto International Film Festival



## Our Lady of the Nile 2019, France, Belgium, Rwanda, 93 mins, 15+, French, Kinyarwanda (English subtitles)

Tue 27 Jul 9:45am Palace Nova Eastend

#### "Africa is geography. Europe is history."

Nestled in the lush Rwandan countryside of 1973 sits an elite Catholic girls' school run by stoic Belgian nuns. Headstrong and adventurous, the pupils come from both Hutu and Tutsi backgrounds - a division that begins as simmering resentment, before slowly boiling over into an act of sinister brutality. Based on Scholastique Mukasonga's incisive novel Notre-Dame du Nil (2012), this hauntingly beautiful portrait of young womanhood foreshadows the 1994 Rwandan genocide with the same bittersweet tone of coming-of-age staples like Bad Education and Stand By Me. It's lessons on religion, colonialism and class are as challenging as they are urgent, with surreal moments of magical realism adding to the striking mood.



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## **Feature Fiction**



## A School in Cerro Hueso

2021, Argentina, 70 mins, All Ages, Spanish (English subtitles), Australian Premiere

Palace Nova Eastend Wed 28 Jul

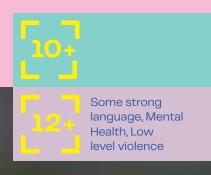
#### It takes a village to raise a child

Soft as a cloud and rich with lived-in detail, Betania Cappato's ode to neurodiversity is a breath of fresh air. Based on the writer-director's own experience with a sibling on the autism spectrum, this gentle film follows Ema (Clementina Folmer), a nonverbal six-yearold starting school in a rural township outside Santa Fe, Argentina. Historically, in these scenarios characters with disabilities have either been subject to trauma and suffering, or deployed in Oscar-baiting tales of cloying inspiration. Here, Ema simply gets to be. Though her nature presents certain hurdles for her parents, teachers and classmates, Ema's community adapts to her capacities, giving her space and time to thrive quietly on her own terms. A meditative, sun-drenched snapshot of allyship.

Dir: Betania Cappato

Awards: Special Mention Kplus, Berlinale 2021

Palace Nova Eastend



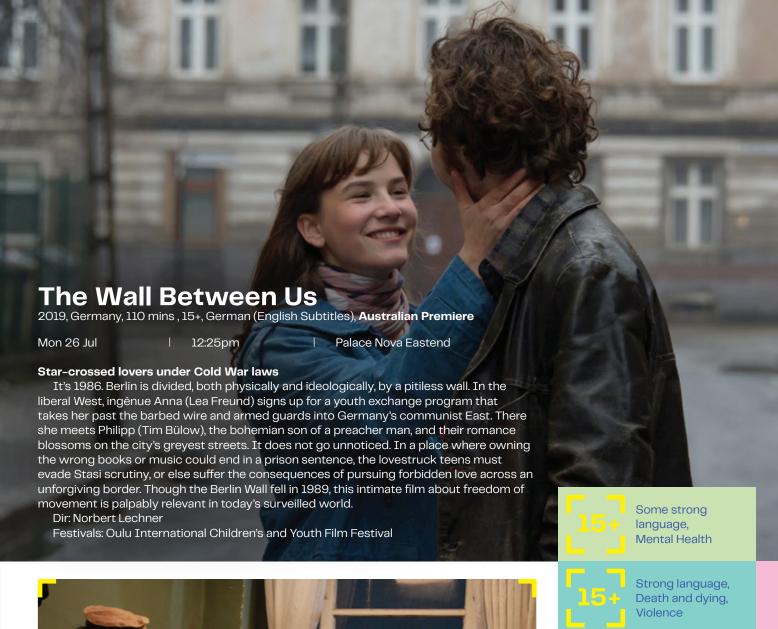
## Penguin Bloom 2020, Australia, 95 mins, PG English

Thu 29 Jul 12:15pm

#### Birds of a feather heal together

Active, outdoorsy Sam Bloom (two-time Oscar nominee Naomi Watts) is holidaying with her family in Thailand when an accident leaves her paralysed from the chest down. Returning to Sydney's Northern Beaches, she enters a depressive episode that casts her adrift from her loved ones. Her son Noah rescues an injured baby magpie, whom the kids dub 'Penguin'. In the bird's plucky charm and innate curiosity, Sam finds the courage to begin again. Empathetic yet understated, Watts emanates respect in this challenging role. Her performance was guided by the real-life Sam Bloom, whose path to recovery gives wings to the idea of radical acceptance and the unspoken bond between humans and animals.

Dir: Glendyn Ivin





#### When Pomegranates Howl 2020, Australia, Afghanistan, 80 mins, M, Farsi, Pashto (English subtitles)

2020, Australia, Afghanistan, 80 mins, M, Farsi, Pashto (English subtitles) **Filmmakers in attendance** 

Wed 28 Jul 9:45am Palace Nova Eastend

#### How do young people process trauma?

That's the slow-burn question director Granaz Moussavi asks in her unflinching follow-up to *My Tehran for Sale* (AFF 2009). On the busy roads and back streets of Kabul, ten-year-old Hewad (newcomer Arafat Faiz) peddles pomegranates, amulets and wide-eyed naivety among his fellow citizens. Since his father was martyred, Hewad's become the breadwinner, though he yearns to be a movie star – a pipe dream that becomes quietly plausible when the boy strikes up a friendship with an Australian war photographer. Sadly, the hand of fate has other plans in this lucid story of religion, superstition, destiny and circumstance. Found footage and archival photos make the experience – inspired by real events – all the more visceral.

Dir: Granaz Moussavi

Feature Fiction

## Feature **Documentary**

Documentaries are windows into the real lives of people and are often important vehicles to drive change. This year's line-up features children as agents of change in their local environment and an Australian artist whose work has impacted multiple generations and is admired internationally.



## My Name is Gulpill 2021, Australia, 101 mins, M, English, Yolngu (English subtitles)

Tue 27 Jul 10:15AM Tandanya Wed 28 Jul 1:00PM Tandanya

#### Testament to a legend

Actor, dancer, singer, painter, storyteller and national treasure: David Gulpilil was born a prodigious talent. In 1971, his big screen debut in Walkabout thrust the boy from Arnhem Land onto the world's stage at Cannes, and launched what would become a fifty-year career. Adopting a fluid, patient approach to the biographical doc, director Molly Reynolds (Another Country, 2015) weaves an expressionistic response to Gulpilil's iconic body of work, splicing archival interviews and performances in such a way to place young David in conversation with the man today - living with lung cancer, a rap sheet, and the side effects of time spent away from country, under the spotlight.

Dir: Molly Reynolds

Contains images and voices of deceased Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. See page 28 for details of Craig Ruddy: Gulpilil art exhibition at Tandanya.



Drug references, Some strong language



### Raise The Bar

2020, Iceland, Finland, 71 mins , All Ages, English, Icelandic (English subtitles) Australian Premiere, Sports stars in attendance (Monday only)

Mon 26 Jul Palace Nova Eastend 12:15pm Fri 30 Jul 12:45pm Palace Nova Eastend

#### She shoots, she scores

Get ready to rumble with firebrand basketball coach Brynjar Karl Sigurðsson. In 2015, he founded what would become one of the most controversial sports teams in against, and often beating, the local boys' teams, but run afoul of the Icelandic Basketball Association when they ask to compete in the country's first-ever national tournament for Iceland's reputation as one of the most feminist countries on Earth. But, as Brynjar notes, basketball is just a blueprint for the big, wide world and its searing double standards. A





## **Curtain Up!**

2020, United States, 69 mins, All Ages, English, Mandarin Chinese (English and Mandarin subtitles), **Australian Premiere** 

Tue 27 Jul 12:15pm Palace Nova Eastend Fri 30 Jul 10:45am Palace Nova Eastend

#### Representation matters

Manhattan may be synonymous with Broadway, but for the kids at Chinatown's Yung Wing Elementary School, the so-called 'Great White Way' is exactly that: white. In the US, the Asian American community has historically been underrepresented on stage and screen, and this curious, irreverent documentary explores the repercussions, as felt by a group of second–generation immigrant kids rehearsing Disney's *Frozen* for their theatre club. While the Scandinavian fairytale may, at first, seem worlds away from the lived experience of downtown diaspora children, its themes of family, duty and responsibility crack open timely talking points on internalised racism, cultural imperialism, and the lifelong importance of creativity and self–expression.

Dirs: Kelly Ng and Hui Tong

Festivals: New York International Children's Film Festival, LA Asian Pacific Film Festival



Feature Documentary

## The Report Card

Children's content builds and celebrates Australian identity in all its wondrous complexity and diversity. Following each of The Report Card screenings, students can hear from, and speak directly with, the content makers on what they want from the films and TV being made for and about them.

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## **Are You Tougher Than Your Ancestors?**

2020, Australia, Episode 5, 24 mins, G, English, Filmmakers and Child Cast in attendance

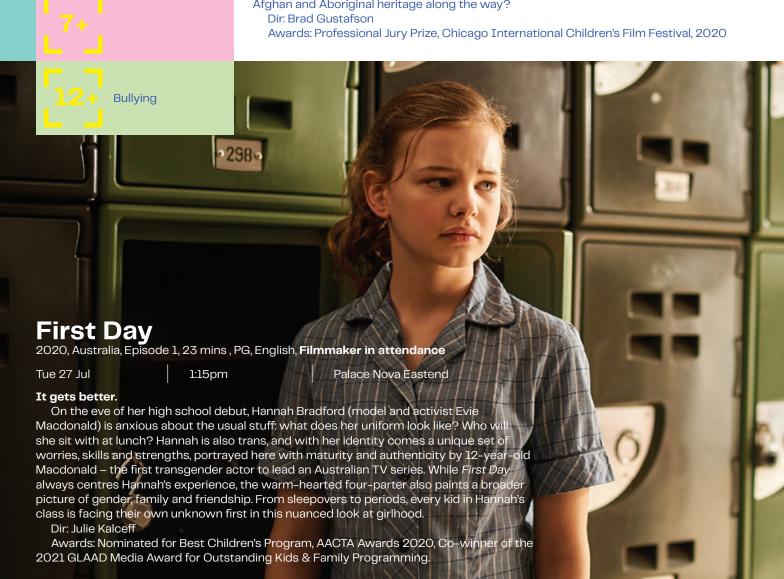
Thurs 29 Jul

1:15pm

Palace Nova Eastend

#### Hard yakka for little tackers.

Young people today cop a lot of ribbing for having an easier life than their forebears. This ABC Me series road tests that generalisation, daring 21st century Australian kids to tackle the jobs and hobbies of yesteryear. In this episode, 'The Original "Ghan" Trains', Ezekiel, 13, and Nathaniel, 14, are tasked with trekking in the footsteps of their 1900s predecessor William Satour and his desert country camel train. The rolling purple hills of Adnyamathanha country may provide a picturesque backdrop for the journey, but leading a caravan of camels through the heat and flies is no small feat. Will the laidback lads rise to the challenge and – with the help of convivial host Ghenoa Gela – learn more about their Afghan and Aboriginal heritage along the way?





## H is for Happiness

2019, Australia, 98 mins, PG, English, Filmmakers and Child Actors in attendance

Fri 30 Jul 9:45am Palace Nova Eastend

#### On the beautifully flawed lot of being alive.

Barry Jonsberg's beloved novel *My Life as an Alphabet* is vivified on screen with bright colours, bold style and big feelings. Set in Albany, Western Australia (or, more accurately, a deeply twee rendering thereof), the feel-good family flick centres on Candice Phee (Daisy Axon, *Judy & Punch*), a relentlessly positive, pragmatic 12-year-old who reads the dictionary for fun. Crack open the film's candy-coloured shell, however, and you'll find a bluer heart, as Candice takes it upon herself to fix her parents' grief and sorrow. Buoyed by a lively performance from its young lead, *H is for Happiness* is grounded by its supporting cast, which features such veteran actors as Richard Roxburgh (*Rake*), Deborah Mailman (*2067*, AFF 2020) and the inimitable Miriam Margolyes.

Dir: John Sheedy



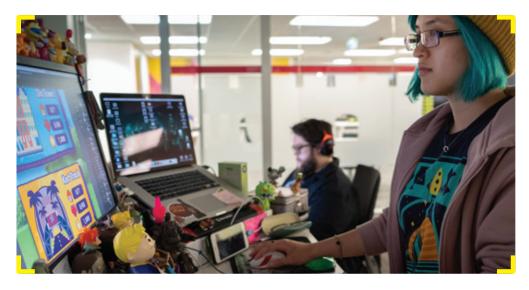
The Report Card

## Expo & Industry Sessions

SA creatives are part of the global content industry – making games, VR, TV & films, including working on international franchises.

As the number of screens continues to expand, fuelling an ever–growing demand for content, South Australian creative industries careers have become more robust and sustainable with an accompanying increase in the types of jobs from actor, games writer, TV director to the VFX supervisor on a Hollywood blockbuster.

The AFF Youth Creative Industries Pathway has been designed to help you map your post high school career pathway into this exciting and rewarding industry.



## **Creative Industries Expo**One day only

Wed 28 July, 10am to 7pm
Stone and Chalk (The Launch Pad), Lot Fourteen,
Cnr. North Terrace and Frome Road
Cost: Free with a ticket to a screening, VR or Industry Session (Bookings required).
Otherwise \$10/\$8.

Come to this exceptional Expo combining the tertiary sector and leading SA screen production companies. Talk directly to:

- —The tertiary and training sector on what's the right course for you to meet your career ambitions and
- -Production companies to find out what they do and what skills, qualities and experiences they want from their future collaborators and employees.

You can visit with your school or come after school by yourself or with friends and family.

## Who's coming to help you kick off your creative industries career

































## Cinematography

Lights and Camera

- expand your techniques

Presenter:

Daniel Charlton, Head of Video Sales at Pro AV & Cinematographer Date & Time:

Thu 29 July, 1.15pm to 2.15pm Location:

The Launch Pad, Stone & Chalk, Lot Fourteen

Cost: \$8/\$6

South Australia is known for screen works with high production values and this often comes down to understanding how to frame and light your work. Daniel will run you through a set of framing and lighting tips to improve your shorts.



## Writing

**Writing and Directing Shorts** 

Presenter:

Leela Varghese (above), Screenwriter, Segment Producer (BtN & Totally Wild) Date & Time:

Mon 26 July, 10.15am to 11.15am Location:

**Lecture Theatre, Lot Fourteen** Cost: \$8/\$6

Leela Varghese is the writer and director of the kind of films beloved by film curators wanting shorts with the comedic appeal & diverse characters that speak to the next generation. In this session, she will use her very recent films *Furbulous* and *Crush* as examples. *Crush* won Best Screenplay at 2019 Tropfest and was part of AFF 2020 Made in SA program.

Hear from leading screen industry creatives as they give you insights into the screen sector and the skills, techniques and experiences required to leap ahead in your creative industries career.



## **Writing for games**

Presenter:

**Mighty Kingdom**Date & Time:

Mon 26 July, 12.45am to 1.45pm Location:

**Lecture Theatre, Lot Fourteen** Cost: \$8/\$6

Games don't always have linear

narratives like film and TV, as players have a bigger part in the storytelling. Mighty Kingdom is known for its deep narrative for games, and we will share our experience with you.



### **Being a TV Critic**

Presenter:

Aimee Knight, small screens editor for The Big Issue, screen reviewer Radio Adelaide

Date & Time:

Wed 28 July, 1.15pm to 2.15pm Location:

**Lecture Theatre, Lot Fourteen** Cost \$8/\$6

Aimee will provide insights into how to write TV reviews and how to establish yourself as a professional television and film writer. A regular guest on ABC Melbourne and ABC Adelaide, Aimee's writing talent was recently recognised when she was chosen from 3000 applicants to participate in Talent Press at the Berlin International Film Festival.

## **Industry Sessions**

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#### Sound

South Australian Film Corporation Sound Post Workshop

Location:

Adelaide Studios, 1 Mulberry Drive, Glenside.

Presenter:

Carlos A. Manrique Clavijo, Post Sound Technician, Adelaide Studios Date & Time:

Tue 27, Wed 28 & Thu 29 July, 9.45am to 10.45am

Cost: Free (Bookings required)

South Australia is a national leader in the provision of sound editing, mixing and Foley services. This is a unique opportunity to visit the Dolby Premier 7.1 Mixing Theatre at the South Australian Film Corporation's Adelaide Studios. Carlos will provide insights into the process of telling stories through sound using examples from recent sound mixes done at the Studios including *Thin Ice VR* (currently playing in the festival program).



#### **SFX**

**Prosthetics Make Up & Props** 

Presenter:

Media Makeup Academy
Date & Time:

Thu 29 July, 11.45am-12.45pm Location:

The Launch Pad, Stone & Chalk, Lot Fourteen

Cost: \$8/\$6

Hear from our Industry Experts who have recently worked on *Mortal Kombat* about the exciting field of Special Effects, Props and Makeup.

Watch a live demonstration of a character transformation using a variety of Prosthetics & SFX Makeup techniques.



### **VFX**

Working in VFX on Hollywood Productions

Presenter:

Nick Pill, VFX Art Director, Rising Sun Pictures

Date & Time:

Fri 30 July, 1.15pm to 2.15pm Location:

**Lecture Theatre, Lot Fourteen** 

Cost: \$8/\$6

Working on major franchises in VFX is the dream but how do you get started & what does the job involve once you're designing VFX for Hollywood? Raised in Adelaide, Nick took his love of drawing and of the *Star Wars* franchise to Sydney's Walt Disney Animation Studio as a Senior Layout Artist. He later moved into CG animation working as the Environment Supervisor on *Happy Feet* before returning to Adelaide as a VFX Art Director at Rising Sun Pictures where he has worked on productions like *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince*.



### **VR Panel**

The Making of VR Work *Thin Ice VR*Presenters:

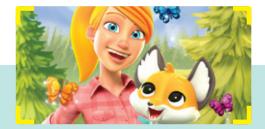
James Calvert, Director, Tim Jarvis Executive Producer, Justin Wight, Executive Producer Location:

The Launch Pad, Stone & Chalk, Lot Fourteen

Date & Time:

**Tue 27 July, 11.55am to 12.55pm** Cost: \$8/\$6

Juxtaposing the Antarctica of the past (using footage of explorer Shackleton's catastrophic 1914 mission) and the contemporary retracing of his journey by environmental scientist Tim Jarvis allows *Thin Ice's VR* audience to experience the impact of climate change. The makers of this VR work will discuss its production including shooting in Antarctica, working with new and old footage in a VR setting, capturing 3-dimensional imagery and the deep insights VR can bring to the big questions of our time.



## **Game Design**

Presenter:

**Mighty Kingdom** 

Date & Time:

Tue 27 July, 1.15pm to 2.15pm

Location:

The Launch Pad, Stone & Chalk, Lot Fourteen

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Cost \$8/\$6

Mighty Kingdom share their experience on designing games with some of the world's best-known brands.



### **A Career in Games**

Presenter:

**Mighty Kingdom** 

Date & Time:

Wed 28 July, 11.55am to 12.55pm

Location:

**Lecture Theatre, Lot 14** 

Cost \$8/\$6

So, you're thinking of a career in Games? Mighty Kingdom's team has decades of experience. Hear them provide some insights into what a career in games can look like.

See also Writing for Games on Page 17.



#### **Dance**

The Intersection between Dance and The Screen

Presenter:

**Garry Stewart, Artistic Director, Australian Dance Theatre** 

Date & Time:

Fri 30 July, 11.45am to 12.45pm Location:

**Lecture Theatre, Lot Fourteen** 

Cost \$8/\$6

From the Ziegfield Follies to Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers on to A Chorus Line, cinema has often intersected with dance. In Adelaide, driven by this the dance community, there has always been a strong interest in working in film. ADT Director, Garry Stewart, known for his innovations in the use of screen in his dance works and for making films about dance, will lead a discussion with filmmakers and dancers about a series of local micro dance films made during the lockdown as well as his own dance short films.



#### **Artist's Talk**

Presenter:

**Craig Ruddy** 

Date and Time

Fri 30 July, 1.00pm to 2.00pm

Location: **Tandanya** 

Cost: Free

Craig Ruddy has been a multiple finalist at the prestigious Archibald Prize. In 2004, he won both the Archibald and the People's Choice Prize for his monumental painting of David Gulpilil, "Two Worlds". In 2020, he was again a finalist for his portrait of *Dark Emu* author, Bruce Pascoe. Craig will discuss his work and his exhibition at Tandanya.

**Industry Sessions** 

## Short Film Programs

A highly valued artform in its own right, the short film forms part of the rich traditions of cinema history. Shorts are also used as calling cards by emerging filmmakers who want to make a strong first impression as they break into the film industry.

In 2021, AFF Youth presents three short film packages comprising of the best short films from Australia and around the world. From award winning international film festival favourites to a selection of films made by school students from across the globe, these packages shine a light on topics important to the next generation and showcase a variety of filmmaking styles and techniques.

Curated by Amanda Hawley

### **Shorts Before Features**

Shorts ratings will match of the accompanying feature.

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#### Rebooted

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Michael Shanks Australia 13 min 2020 Screens with Our Lady of

#### **Snowy**

Kaitlyn Schwalje, Alex Wolf Lewis United States 12 min 2021 Screens with Curtain Up!, p.13

#### **Sparkles**

Jacqueline Pelczar Australia 13 min 2020 Screens with Beans, p.8

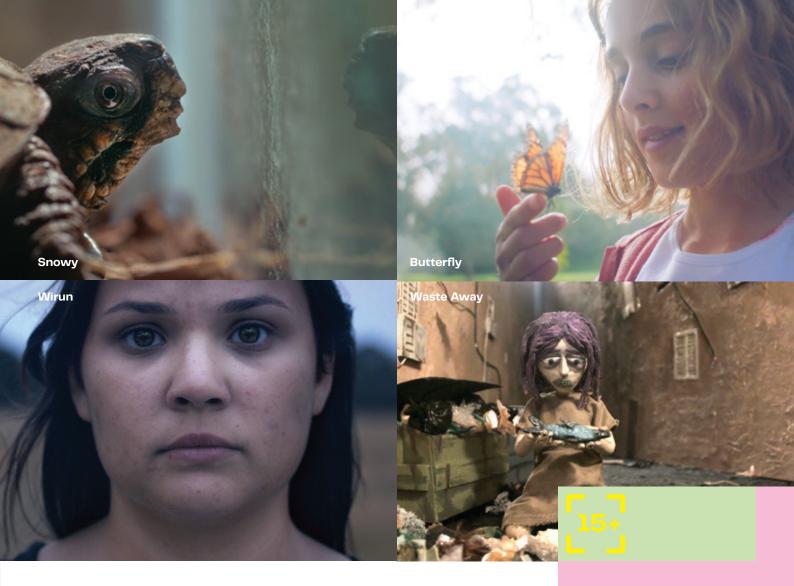
#### Wilma

Haukur Björgvinsson Iceland 11 min 2020 Screens with Perfect 10, p.26 Wirun

Chad O'Brien Australia 9 min 2020 Screens with Summertime, p.27

\*First screening only
\*\*Second screening only





## **Almost 18 Shorts**

80 mins, 15+

Mon 26 Jul Wed 28 Jul 10:30am 10:30am Palace Nova Eastend Palace Nova Eastend

This package of films introduces more complex characters and topics, sparking critical thinking and providing opportunities for open discussion on a range of subjects senior school students face today. This session delves deeper into family dynamics and discovering who you are, and is recommended for ages 15+

#### **Butterfly**

Chloe Gardner, Stephen de Villiers Australia 13 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### Not a Wallflower

Lianne Mackessy Australia 7 min 2019

#### Snowy

Kaitlyn Schwalje, Alex Wolf Lewis United States 12 min 2021

#### The Mirror

Joel Kohn Australia 22 min 2020

#### The Shut-in

Eric Lieu, Maxine Curva, Jira Udomsri Australia 6 min 2020

#### Waste Away

Elly Stern United States 5 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### Wirun

Chad O'Brien Australia 9 min 2020 **Short Film Programs** 

## **Short Film Programs**

## All Age Access Shorts 80 mins, All ages

Tue 27 Jul 10:40am Palace Nova Eastend

A selection of films to be enjoyed by cinephiles of all ages! Through documentary, fiction and animation, the films in this package explore themes including friendship, family, community, identity, and our connection with nature in the age of social media. With lots of light moments and laughter, this session is suitable for audiences young and young at heart.

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Hanna Davidsen Faroe Islands 1 min Australian Premiere

2018

#### Bama

Jahvis Loveday Australia 5 min 2020

#### Benztown

**Gottfried Mentor** Germany 5 min Australian Premiere

#### **Goodbye Home**

Jonathan Chong Australia 6 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### **Invisible Heroes**

Dianna La Grassa Australia 5 min **World Premiere** 2021

#### **Pigeon Girl**

Whitney Legge United States 11 min Australian Premiere 2019

#### **Pop N Possum**

Christian Staats, Aminah A Malek Australia 7 min 2020

#### The Kid & **The Octopus**

Nils Bouvyer France, South Korea 22 min Australian Premiere 2020

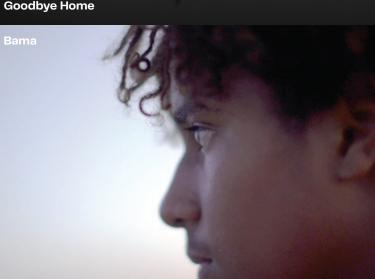
#### Whatevertree

Isaac King Canada 11 min Australian Premiere 2020











## **Directors Aged 5-18 Years**

70 mins, All ages

Thurs 29 Jul

10:45am

Palace Nova Eastend

This is the voice of the next generation. All films in this package have been created by filmmakers between the ages of 5-18yrs, and showcase a range of topics, filmmaking styles and techniques. These films highlight universal similarities, whilst showing how diverse we are as global citizens. Filmmakers in this package come from our own backyard, as well as other countries including Poland, India, Philippines and the Faroe Islands.

Hanna Davidsen Faroe Islands 1 min Australian Premiere 2018

#### **Daugthers**

**Roxy Morris United States** 8 min Australian Premiere 2019

#### **Decalcomania**

Hannah Ragudos **Philippines** 6 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### **Dreary Days**

Ella Greenwood **United Kingdom** 3 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### Given

Muhammad Mikdad Indonesia 8 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### **Have You Seen Buster?**

Emmanuel Li **United Kingdom** 6 min Australian Premiere 2019

#### **Migrant**

Tisya Sharma Australia 4 min 2019

#### Pika Boo

Sohum Gupta, Armaan Dadyburjor, Rahul Iyer, Rafael Joseph, Rohan Sannappanavar, Daksh Bhaskar, Kyra Narain, Aastha Singh, Saniya Khan India 2 min Australian Premiere 2019

#### **Rap Battle**

Students of the Multimedia Workshop of Escola Parque Brazil 3 min Australian Premiere 2019

#### Serok

Zhivar Farajzadeh Iran 5 min Australian Premiere 2018

#### Side EFX

Chris Biju, Mariam Ahmed, Navya Gupta, Ritika Govindan, Ritika Kedia, Ashwati Ramaswamy, Dinisha Patel, Ridhima Mhaiskar India 2 min Australian Premiere 2019

#### **Symmetry**

Rob Plaza Australia 4 min 2019

#### The Dog's Story -Part II

**Arkhip Varfolomeev** Russia Australian Premiere 2019

#### **The Moments**

Piotr Kaźmierczak Poland 2 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### Will I Die Because I Am Black?

Christian Lee **United States** 2 min Australian Premiere 2020

#### You(th)

Nico Ossa Williams Canada 4 min Australian Premiere 2019

**Short Film Programs** 

## Virtual Reality

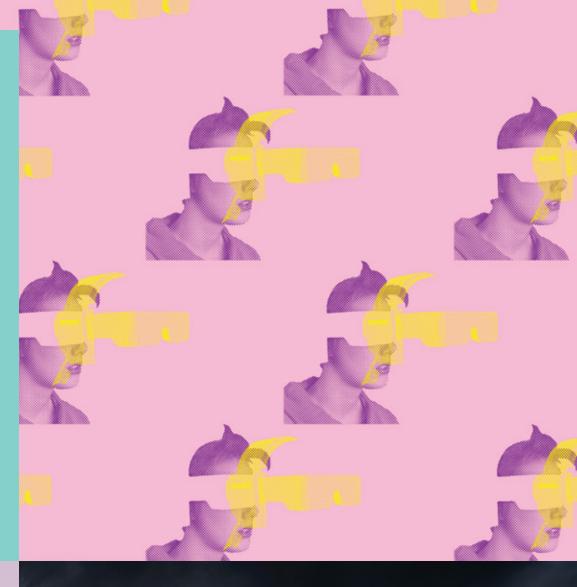
Originally described as the 'ultimate empathy machine', Virtual Reality (VR) is now used across multiple industries ranging from biosciences to construction. However it is artists that have embraced the technology as a storytelling tool.

The world premieres of Square Circles and Thin Ice VR are both fine examples of homegrown talent.

Commissioned by Adelaide Film Festival, presented in partnership with Illuminate Adelaide.

Space Explorers: The ISS
Experience is presented in
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VR is not recommended for sufferers of claustrophobia, seizures, epilepsy or extreme vertigo.



## 13+

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## Thin Ice VR

2021, Australia, 30 mins, All Ages, English, World Premiere

Mon 26 July - Sun 1 Aug

See AFFYouth.org

Queen's Theatre

107 years ago, Sir Ernest Shackleton set out on one of the era's most ambitious and harrowing journeys: to cross Antarctica coast-to-coast. Over a century on, environmental scientist Tim Jarvis AM recreated Shackleton's epic, tragic feat of endurance in an immersive virtual reality experience creation by Monkeystack. As we join Jarvis in following Shackleton's footsteps, we bear witness to another new and heartbreaking narrative: the icy environment has now been transformed by the effects of anthropogenic climate change. Equal parts catastrophic and transcendent, *Thin Ice VR* presents a uniquely affecting account of how humanity asserts its will over the extremes of nature

— often in unforeseen ways.

Dir: James Calvert





## Square Circles 2021, Australia, 10 mins, All Ages, English, World Premiere

Fri 16 July - Sat 24 July

See AFFYouth.org

Queen's Theatre

Square Circles VR is an immersive virtual reality work that draws upon William Barton's Country, culture and dreaming. It uses emergent digital storytelling to create breathtaking visual landscapes, featuring Barton's visceral music, along with friend and collaborator violist Stephen King and the Australian String Quartet (ASQ).

Set to a score performed and recorded by Barton and the ASQ on Peramangk Country at Ukaria Cultural Centre, this stunning blend of music and visual artistry from Go Patterson Films and Jumpgate VR offers a rare fusion of culture and technology.

Dir: Kay Pavlou









## **Space Explorers: The ISS Experience**

2020, Canada, Episode 1, 29 mins, All ages, English

Wed 27 - Thur 28 Jul | 10am - 2pm, Sessions every 45min | Space Discovery Centre

#### The new frontier is already here.

As space comes to South Australia, AFF Youth is excited to partner with the Australian Space Discovery Centre to bring you episode one of this totally immersive VR work. You are in the middle of the International Space Station with astronauts as they adapt to their life changing mission - to be part of, as well as undertaking, the experiments required for humans to live in space. The session involves a talk from the Australian Space Discovery Centre on the many and varied careers making up the space industry. Space Explorers: The ISS Experience is the biggest production to ever take place in space.

Dir: Félix Lajeunesse and Paul Raphael

Virtual Reality

### School's Out

Not everything cinema has to offer can be learned in a classroom – those grittily realistic or poetic flights filled with a representation of youth so achingly true that they will pierce your young heart. These require a singular relationship between you and the big screen. So, leave the guide behind and come to *School's Out*.



### Perfect 10

2020, United Kingdom, 83 mins, 15+, English

Wed 28 Jul 5:30pm Palace Nova Eastend

#### For fans of Andrea Arnold and Ken Loach.

Summertime sadness is eating at Leigh (debutant Frankie Box). A lonely teen living on the outskirts of Brighton, she lacks a meaningful relationship with her dad Rob (William Ash, *Mad About Mambo*), and longs for the rigour and discipline that gymnastics could give her, if only she'd truly commit. Then her half-brother Joe (Alfie Deegan) turns up, lavishing her with attention, leading her by the hand into petty crime hijinks. Leigh's finally getting the familial intimacy she craves, but does she know what to do with it? Eva Riley's feature debut takes British social realism and reboots it for Zoomer viewers. These characters may be salt-of-the-earth, but their thirst for excitement cannot be quenched at the traditional kitchen sink.

Dir: Eva Riley

Festivals: BFI London Film Festival, Melbourne International Film Festival







15+

Adult themes, Strong language, Self harm scene, Pregnancy, Violence, Abuse

### **Beans**

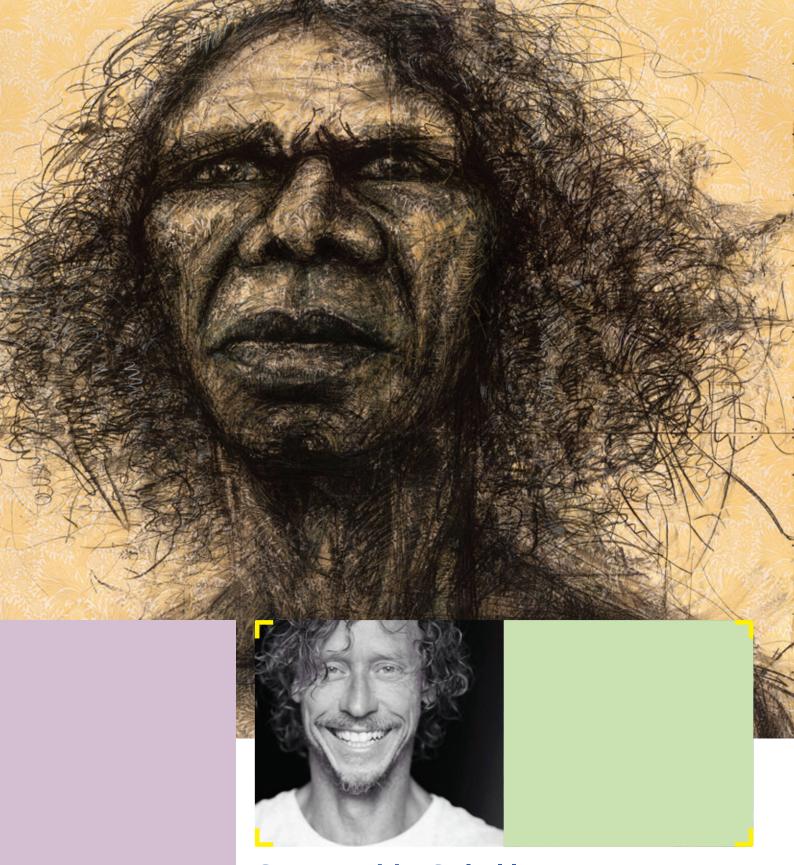
2020, Canada, 92 mins, 15+, English

Thur 29 Jul 5:30pm

See page 8 for more film details

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School's Out



## **Craig Ruddy: Gulpilil**

Location: **Tandanya** 

Date & Time: Tues 27 Jul — Thurs 30 Sept, 10am to 5pm

Powerful and vulnerable, this eclectic collection of Craig Ruddy's portraits of David Gulpilil reflect a multitude of David's character including his vulnerability whilst recently going through medical treatment. The exhibition ranges from the larger than life, public and defiant 2004 Archibald Prize winning "Two Worlds" (its first public showing in 17 years) to intimate offscreen portraits of the screen legend. These later works were created over several years after artist and actor met again in Gulpilil's Murray's Bridge home. The portraits reflect the delicate transition as Gulpilil faces life and mortality – doing it, as always, his own way.

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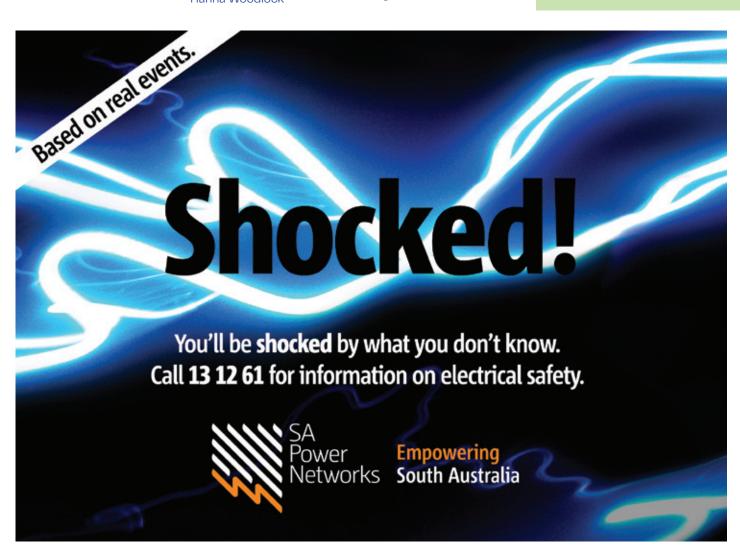
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**School Tickets:** Any ticket bought for a student as part of a school group.

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**Equity Pricing:** We offer discounted tickets to schools in categories 1 – 4. Please contact the box office for further information.

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Please call or email the AFF Box Office To purchase Schools, Teachers or Equity Pricing tickets, call AFF Box Office on 0416 761 036 or email: boxoffice@adelaidefilmfestival.org

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### **AFF Venues**

#### **Adelaide Studios**

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#### **Lot Fourteen**

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#### **Daytime Screenings (Pages 5–10)**

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Teacher Price: \$10 or one FREE with the purchase of 10 x School tickets Full: \$20 +BF

Concession: \$17 +BF

#### School's Out Screenings (Page 11)

(all films after 5.30pm) Tuesday – Thursday at Palace Nova Eastend Full: \$20 +BF Concession: \$17 +BF Youth: \$10 +BF

#### **Industry Sessions (Pages 17–19)**

Monday – Friday at Lot Fourteen's Lecture Theatre or The Launch Pad, Stone & Chalk. School: \$8 +BF Teacher Price: \$10 or one FREE with the purchase of 10 x School tickets Equity: \$6 +BF

The FREE South Australian Film Corporation Sound Post Workshop is held at the Mixing Theatre at the Adelaide Studios at Glenside.

A limited number of tickets for the general public may be available closer to the festival. Check our website.

#### **Creative Industries Expo (Page 16)**

Wednesday July 28th at Lot Fourteen (Stone & Chalk)
School Sessions:
Every hour from 10am – 7pm
(last session 6pm). 45 min durations.
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#### **Teachers**

45 min duration.

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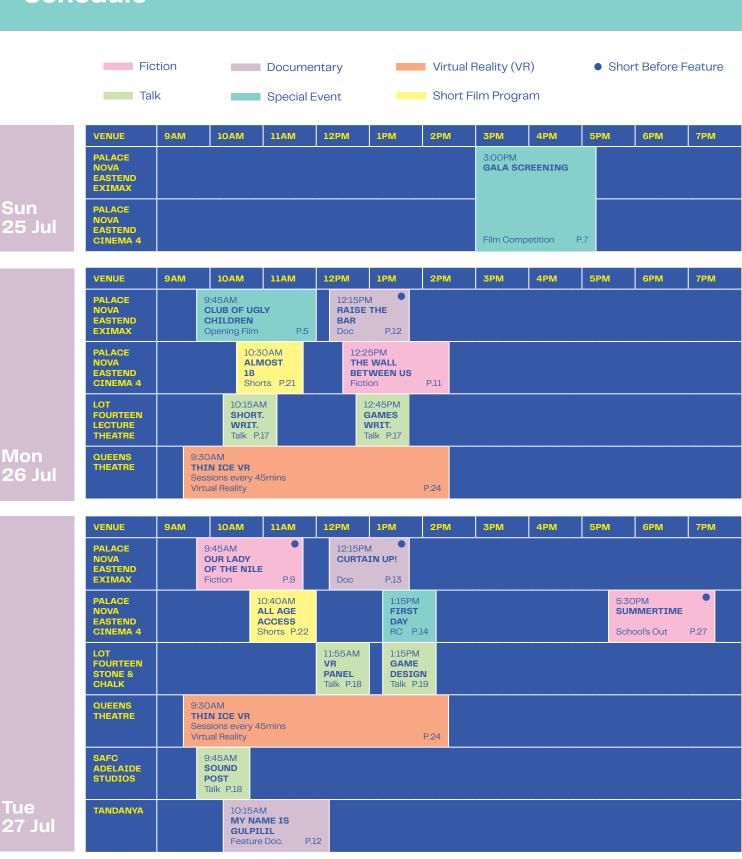
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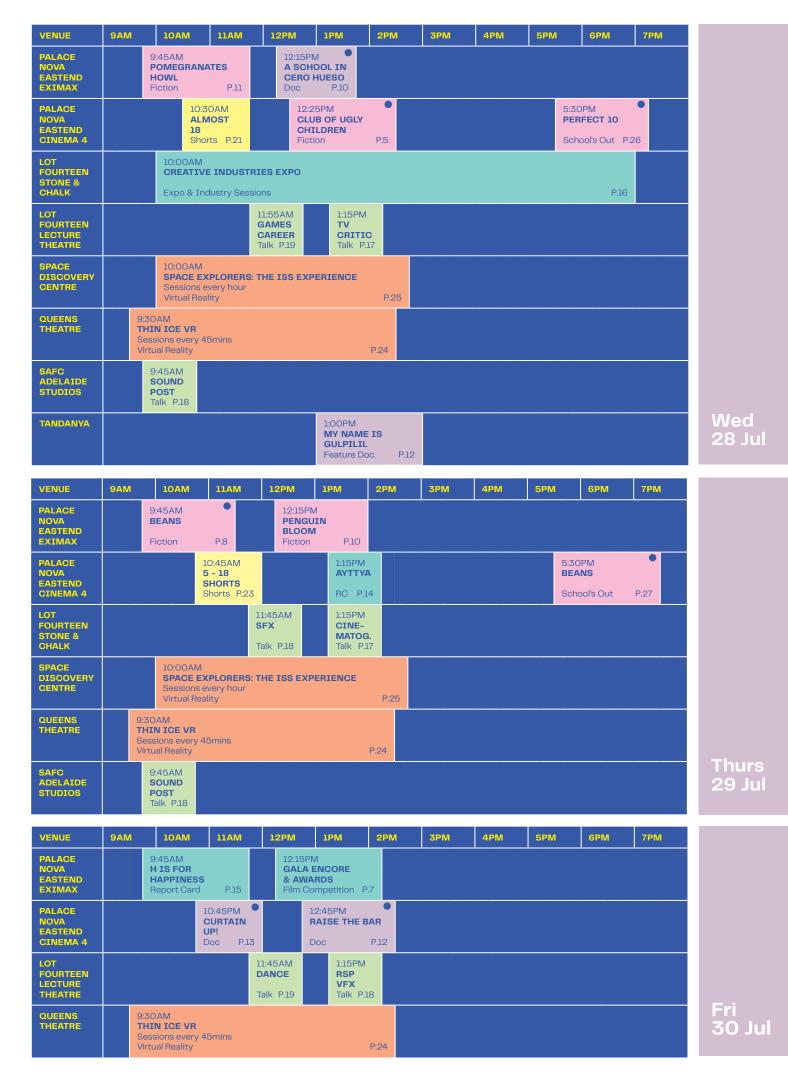
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## **Schedule**





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