A leading African film festival featuring top talent and serious international contenders—Rwanda Film Festival has established itself as the country's most important cultural event. Dubbed 'Hillywood', this prestigious festival presents 7 days of the best films from established masters and local talents to film lovers, filmmakers, industry professionals and media.

2013 is here, we want you to be part of that so we can keep to our vision and continue to promote cinema in Rwanda.

Our Mothers, Our Heroes

Is our world misogynist? Is our perception of women preventing them from making an impact on society? What does it mean to be a female leader? Often relegated to play lesser roles in society, separated by class, access to education, gender roles and sexuality, women have been victimized, stereotyped and marginalized in the real world, as well as in the world of cinema. However, women have always played a critical role in changing societies and it is time for them to be recognized. The role of women in our society has been mainly defined by men, and cinema is no exception. Though women have appeared in cinema for decades, taking on a variety of forms, from brilliantly layered characters to stereotypical victims, women were not the ones creating their images. Until now, men have told their stories from their own perspective.

Rwanda Film Festival's 2013 theme, "Our Mothers, Our Heroes" serves as a unique platform to feature recent cinematographic creations, directed, written, or produced by women and creations that deal directly with the issue of women's roles in society. Films of all genre and feature length will engage the audience in the deconstruction of clichés and stereotypes surrounding the role of women within our society. This year's selection will provide a multiplicity of representations of women: resistant, resilient, emancipated and committed to writing their own pages of the history books.



Would like to thank you!



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SPECIAL SCREENING : GISOZI GENOCIDE MEMORIAL

11:30 AM / IMBABAZI

Joel Karekezi (Rwanda 2012, 73min14), Drama Language: English / Kinyarwanda Subtitles: English (Director Joel a few cast member will be present)

CENTURY CINEMA

July 20, 2013 Opening night

MAMA AFRICA / Mika Kaurismäki (Germany/South Africa /Finnland 2011, 91min), Documentary Language: English, French / Subtitles: English

July 21, 2013 📕

6:40 PM / NAIROBI HALF LIFE / David 'Tosh' Gitonga (Kenya/Germany 2012, 96min), Drama (Language: English, Kiswahili, Kikuyu, Sheng / Subtitles: English)

8:45 PM / GERMANY FROM ABOVE / Petra Höfer, Freddie Röckenhaus (Germany 2012, 110 min.), Documentary with aerial photographs of Germany

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July 22, 2013 📕

6:35 PM / DESERT FLOWER Sherry Hormann (Germany, Austria, UK 2009, 124min) Drama Language: English, Somalia, French / Subtitles: English

21:00 PM / THE WHITE MASAI Hermine Huntgeburth (Germany 2005, 131 min., most successful german film of 2005), Drama / Romance; Cast: Nina Hoss, Jacky Ido, Katja Flint, Janek Rieke (*German focus / All films are subtitled in English*)

July 23, 2013 6:35 PM / RFF SGORTS "LOVE, FAMILY, RACE, EDUCATION"

9:45 PM / WAR WITCH Kim Nguyen (Canada, 90min), Drama (Language: French, Lingala / Subtitles: English)

July 24, 2013 📕

6:35 PM / FINDING HILLYWOOD Christopher Towey, Leah Warshawski (USA/ Rwanda, 52min), Documentary (Language: English, Kinyarwanda / Subtitle: English)

8:45 PM / LE BONHEUR D'ELZA Mariette Monpierre (Guadaloupe/France 2011, 80min), Feature narrative fiction drama *(Language: French / Subtitles: English)*

9:20 PM / MISS STINNES MOTORS ROUND THE WORLD / Erica von Moeller (Germany 2009, 90 min.), Documentary/Feature; Cast: Sandra Hüller, Bjarne Henriksen (*German focus / All films are subtitled in English*)

July 25, 2013 📕

6:35 PM / LIONNES Fred Kristiansson (Rwanda, 52min) Documentary Language: Kinyarwanda, French, (English / Subtitle: English, French)

7:35 PM / TEY Alain Gomis (Senegal, 1h28min) Fiction (*Language: French / Subtitle: English, French*)

9:15 PM / MAMA AFRICA Mika Kaurismäki (Germany/South Africa /Finnland 2011, 91min), Documentary (*Language: English, French / Subtitles: English*)

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6:30 PM / IMBABAZI Joel Karekezi (Rwanda 2012, 73min14), Drama (Language: English / Kinyarwanda Subtitles: English)

8:00 PM / FELIX Roberta Durrant (South Africa 2013, 97min), Fiction (Language: English / Subtitles: English)

July 23, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / RWAGASORE Justine Bitagoye & Pascal Capilotin (Burundi 2012, 1h 23min), Documentary (Language: Kirundi / Subtitles: English, French)

8:00 PM / ITANGAZA – L'ART POUR SE RECONSTRUIRE Michelle Muller (France 2013, 35min), Documentary (Language: French, Kinyarwanda / Subtitles: French)

9:00 PM / LADIES' TURN Hélène Harder (France, Senegal 2012, 65min), Documentary (Languages: Wolof, French / Subtitles: English)

July 24, 2013 6:30 PM / RFF SHORTS "WORLDS APART"

8:30 PM / A LOT LIKE YOU Eliaichi Sadikiel Kimaro (Tanzania, USA 2011, 80min10), Documentary (Language: KiSwahili, KiChagga, English / Subtitles: English)

July 25, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / UNCOMMON WOMAN Abdoulaye Dao (Burkina Faso, 2008, 1h41min), Romantic Comedy (*Language: French /Subtitles: English*)

8:30 PM / CUBA AN AFRICAN ODYSSEY Jihan El-Tahri (France, 1h58') Documentary (Language: Spanish, French, English / Subtitles: English, French)

NEW PAPYRUS

July 23, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / LAYLA FOURIE Pia Marais (Germany/South Africa 2013; 105 min.), Thriller; Cast: Rayna Campbell, August Diehl, Rapule Hendricks (German focus / All films are subtitled in English)

9:00 PM THE CROCODILES OF THE WANDAOGO FAMILY (Documentary, Germany/Burkina Faso 2003, 61 min., German Short Film Award 2003) & KROKODILE OHNE SATTEL / crocodiles without saddles (short documentary, Germany 2012, 15 min.) – Britta Wandaogo (*German focus / All films are subtitled in English*)

July 24, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / MOSTLY MARTHA Sandra Nettelbeck (Germany 2001, 109 min.), Comedy / Romance; Cast: Martina Gedeck (German Film Award), Sergio Castellitto (European Film Award) (*German focus / All films are subtitled in English*)

9:00 PM / BARBARA Christian Petzold (Germany 2012, 105 min.), Drama, Silver Bear Berlin 2012, German Film Award 2012; Cast: Nina Hoss, Ronald Zehrfeld, Rainer Bock (*German focus / All films are subtitled in English*)

July 25, 2013

6:30 PM / ALMANYA – WELCOME TO GERMANY Yasemin Samdereli (Germany 2011, 97 min.), Comedy; Cast: Vedat Erincin, Fahri Yardim, Aylin Tezel, Lilay Huser, Demet Gül, Petra Schmidt-Schaller, Denis Moschitto (German focus / All films are subtitled in English)

THE OFFICE (KIYOVU)

July 22, 2013

6:30 PM THE SUFFERING GRASSES: WHEN ELEPHANTS FIGHT, IT IS THE

GRASS THAT SUFFERS Lala Lee (Syria, USA, Turkey 2012, 53min), Documentary (*Language: English, Arabic / Subtitles: English, Arabic, French, German, Hungarian, Portuguese, Spanish*)

7:30 PM / RFF SHORTS "ART, BEAUTY & THE EXPERIMENTAL WORLD"

8:30 PM / RFF SHORTS "WORLDS APART"

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6:30 PM / FINDING HILLYWOOD Christopher Towey, Leah Warshawski (USA/ Rwanda, 52min), Documentary (*Language: English, Kinyarwanda / Subtitle: English*)

KIMISAGALA (MJK)

July 21, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / NZIRAMBI Jules Sibomana (Rwanda 2013, 40min), Comedy (Language: English / Kinyarwanda Subtitles: English)

7:30 PM / SPECIAL THIEVES Jules Sibomona (Rwanda 2012, 40min), Comedy (Language: Kinyarwanda / Subtitles: English)

July 22, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / KIVUTO Sesonga Poupoune (Rwanda 2012, 8min48), Drama *(Language: Kinyarwanda / Subtitles: English)*

MAMA / N. Jean Bosco (Rwanda 2011, 19 min), Short (Language: Kinyarwanda / Subtitle: English)

BEHIND THE WORD Clementine Dusabejambo (Rwanda, 20min), Fiction (Language: English, Kinyarwanda / Subtitle: English)

CLUB RAFIKI

July 23, 2013 📕

6:30 PM / QUARTIER LOINTAIN SHORT FILM SELECTION (120') (Language: French, Arabic / subtitles: English)

8:30 PM / SPECIAL THIEVES Jules Sibomona (Rwanda 2012, 40min11), Comedy (Language: Kinyarwanda / Subtitles: English)

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6:30 PM / NAIROBI HALF LIFE David 'Tosh' Gitonga (Kenya/Germany 2012, 96min), Drama (Language: English, Kiswahili, Kikuyu, Sheng / Subtitles: English)

8:20 PM / DAUGHTERS OF THE NIGER DELTA Ilse Van Lamoen (Nigeria 2012, 56min), Documentary (Language: English Creole / Subtitles: English)