



**March 15, 2022: The Athens International Film + Video Festival returns April 1-7, 2022**

From April 1-7, 2022, The Athens International Film + Video Festival (AIFVF) will present over 260 films representing over 60 countries in competition at the historic Athena Cinema in uptown Athens, OH. This year's festival features an incredible array of special events and screenings.

AIFVF's visiting artist lineup includes Ohio University Film alumnus Danilo Šerbedžija serving as the head of the feature film jury and presenting his film, *Tereza 37* on Tuesday, April 5, at 7:30 PM. On Friday, April 1 at 7:15 PM for opening night, the festival presents the experimental and genre permeable work of Baltimore based filmmaker Meredith Moore. On Monday, April 4 at 7:15 PM current Studio Museum of Harlem Artist in Residence Cameron Granger joins us for a night of his community-engaged video art and on Wednesday, April 6 at 5:15 PM, festival alumnus J. Makary presents their dance-based and choreographic works of feral editing.

Over seven days, more than 20 feature length films and around 250 short films from across the globe will screen and compete in the annual festival with winners chosen by the independent jury, garnishing cash prizes and awards including Academy Qualifying status in select categories.

Founded in 1974, the Athens International Film + Video Festival has been presenting the best in international film for 49 years. Known globally as a festival that supports cinema from independent, underground, and marginalized populations, the AIFVF represents the values that we share as a community. It is a champion of justice and provides a voice for underrepresented artists and viewpoints on a global level. For over four decades, the AIFVF has embraced experimental, narrative, animation, short-form, feature length and documentary films from every corner of the globe. The Athens International Film + Video Festival is administered by The Athens Center for Film and Video, a project of the College of Fine Arts at Ohio University. This year's festival takes place April 1-7, 2022, at the historic Athena Cinema in downtown Athens. The full schedule and ticket information is available at [www.athensfest.org](http://www.athensfest.org).

Please send requests for ASL interpreters and other accessibility requests to [athensohiofilmfest@gmail.com](mailto:athensohiofilmfest@gmail.com) by March 21, 2022 if possible. ASL interpreters will be provided for the two screenings of *Sign the Show: Deaf Culture, Access & Entertainment* on Friday, April 1 at 5:00 PM and Tuesday, April 5 at 7:15 PM.

**Link to images:** [http://athensfilmfest.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/AIFVF\\_2022\\_press\\_release-1.zip](http://athensfilmfest.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/AIFVF_2022_press_release-1.zip)  
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