

61st Ann Arbor Film Festival

March 21-26, 2023



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Oldest avant-garde and experimental film festival in North America



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Founded in 1963, the Ann Arbor Film Festival is internationally recognized as a premier forum showcasing the most creative and unique films of today’s preeminent moving image artists who cross boundaries, defy expectations, and experiment with concepts and techniques. The six-day festival presents 40 programs with more than 180 films from over 20 countries of all lengths and genres.

Our six-day event presents an artist- and community-friendly atmosphere at the incredible 1920s-era Michigan Theater. Film enthusiasts, filmmakers, programmers, curators, and distributors from near and far convene each year in Ann Arbor to engage with contemporary film art.

Contributing to our rich and unique legacy, numerous influential artists have shown early work at the Ann Arbor Film Festival (AAFF), including Gus Van Sant, Yoko Ono, Andy Warhol, Kenneth Anger, Agnes Varda, George Lucas, Barbara Hammer, Brian DePalma, and Suzan Pitt.

In addition to exhibiting over 100 new films in juried competition programs each year, the AAFF presents filmmaker retrospectives, gallery installations, panel discussions, historic and thematic surveys, and contemporary artist programs.

The Ann Arbor Film Festival receives more than 3,000 submissions annually from more than 65 countries and serves as one of a handful of Academy Award-qualifying festivals in the United States. Our awards program presents over \$22,000 in cash and in-kind awards to filmmakers.

The AAFF is a pioneer of the traveling film festival tour & each year presents short film programs at 35+ museums, cinematheques, universities, and artist-run centers in the U.S., Canada, and Europe. The festival began publishing DVD anthologies in 2008 and has produced 12 DVDs with award-winning works available for home and educational viewing.

The AAFF also presents and partners on events throughout the year, which have included screenings with the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, University of Michigan Museum of Art (UMMA) and Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit (MOCAD).

THE ANN ARBOR FILM FESTIVAL AUDIENCE

THE 2018 FESTIVAL SAW NEARLY 10,000 TICKET HOLDERS.

SPONSORS RECEIVED 10-50 IMPRESSIONS PER FESTIVAL GOER.

- 90% college educated
- Primarily ages 18-31 & 45-60
- Median income: \$57,000
- Area employers: Google & U of Michigan

“We love that AAFF is small & independent. Contributing makes us feel that we are helping and part of the community. It certainly sparks conversations with people who’ve been going for years!”

- Susan Thomas, proprietor, El Harissa

"Our family has talked about the experience since we left the theater! I look forward to coming back next year."

- Jenn Tankanow, VP & Co-founder, JointPivot

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The AAFF is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization sustained by the generous support of donors, members, foundations, enthusiastic audiences, and sponsors like you!

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The Ann Arbor Film Festival (AAFF) includes much more than just films. The festival hosts a number of lively events throughout the year and during the week of the festival. Food vendors and restaurants from all around the Ann Arbor area provide support in a variety of ways. Here are just a few examples of the many ways your organization can contribute.

WAYS TO SUPPORT

Holiday Party | December, 2022

Food & Beverages for 50

Poster Release Party | February, 2023

Food & Beverages for 40

Annual Fundraiser & Sneak Preview | Late Feb or Early March

Food & Beverages for 75-100

**A food table at AAFF Opening Night reception
March 21, 2023**

Appetizer-sized servings for 350 w/servers & servicewear

Green Room Lunch or Reception | March 22-26, 2023

Food & Beverages for 50-70

Volunteer Thank You Party | April, 2023

Food & Beverages for 40

Gift Cards or Coupons

for festival staff, filmmakers, and volunteers

Your idea here!

	 (\$600 and above)	 (\$300-\$599)	 (\$100-\$300)
Logos projected onscreen prior to every program of the festival [45,000 impressions]	●		
Quarter-page ad in festival program guide (in-kind value: \$300) [50,000 impressions]	●		
Distribution of flyers, coupons, and more in filmmaker welcome packets	●	●	●
Thank you in AAFF's eNewsletter [around 8,000 subscribers]	● name with link	● name with link	● name with link
Acknowledgement on food sponsor page in festival program guide [50,000 impressions]	●	●	●
Passes to the festival [value per pass: \$125 all-access; \$75 weekend-only]	2 all-access	2 weekend-only	
Tickets to any Michigan Theater screening for the festival [value: \$12 per ticket]	8 tickets	8 tickets	8 tickets

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