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**THE CHILDREN'S FILMFEST RETURNS  
PART OF THE 37TH MILL VALLEY FILM FESTIVAL  
OCTOBER 2 – 12, 2014**

**SAN RAFAEL, Calif.** (September 9, 2014) – Presented by the California Film Institute (CFI) as part of the 37 Mill Valley Film Festival, the Children's FilmFest provides unique matinee programming for young and upcoming film enthusiasts. The festival will be held during the 37th Mill Valley Film Festival, Thursday, October 2 – Sunday, October 12, 2014. Internationally recognized for showcasing the best in independent and world cinema, every fall thousands of festival attendees flock to Marin County for 11 days of films, panel discussions, and musical performances. The Mill Valley Film Festival provides attendees with a chance to catch an early glimpse at the Academy Award® contenders and discover some of the best films from around the world. Five out of the last six Academy Award winners for Best Picture (*Slumdog Millionaire*, *The King's Speech*, *The Artist*, *Argo* and *12 Years A Slave*) were screened at the Festival with filmmakers and cast members in attendance.

The California Film Institute is pleased to announce the following confirmed films to screen as part of the Children's FilmFest during the 37th Mill Valley Film Festival. More information is available online at [www.MVFF.com](http://www.MVFF.com).

The short film program **5@5: *This Bird's Gonna Fly*** features animated shorts from around the world and include: the Argentina short ***Llama Drama***; the French short ***LaMi*** which tells the story of the notes of the scale as they make friends; ***Miriam's Kite*** from Estonia which follows the adventures of Miriam and her duck; the Inuit Canadian film ***The Orphan and the Polar Bear***; the bright, bouncy short ***New World***; local filmmaker Cynthia Pepper's ***13***; the Australian short ***The Gallant Captain*** about a boy on a mission; a blend of 2D and 3D in ***Rabbit and Deer***; the Russian film ***A Tin Can***; and the child-produced ***The Man Who Loved to Whistle***. **Sunday, October 5 at 11AM at Rafael; Sunday, October 12 at 12PM at 142 Throckmorton**

***The 3D Slideshow*** features depth-defying shorts in 3D including: ***Frogs & Friends***, from director Robert Bloomberg; Jason Jameson and James Hall's ***One Night in Hell***, a depiction of a skeleton's underworld journey; ***The Infernal Cauldron*** from France; Fred Newmeyer and Sam Taylor's classic ***Safety Last!***; the Colombian train journey ***Moving Still***; Jeff Boller's tribute to shared interests ***A Geek Like Me***; Joséphine Derobe's ***Diary of a Fridge*** chronicles 30 years in a family's life; ***All Is Not Lost*** is a kaleidoscopic view of human connection; Bob Benezia's ***Pieces of the Fair*** which reveals the secret life of carnival rides; David Silverman's ***The Longest Daycare*** pits Maggie Simpson against the Ayn Rand School for Tots; Trish Sie's ***White Knuckles*** combines 12 pups and a rock band; in Lauren Mac-Mullan's ***Get a Horse!*** Mickey Mouse takes a special wagon ride; and finally, Patrick Osborne's ***Feast*** shows one man's love life from his dog's perspective. **Saturday, October 4 at 11AM at Rafael; Sunday, October 12 at 11AM at Sequoia**



Hand drawn animation and music from luminaries in Brazil's contemporary music scene enhance ***The Boy And The World***, a tale of a boy's travels to find his father, who no longer can earn a living from the land. **Sunday, October 5 at 11AM at Sequoia; Sunday, October 12 at 11:15AM at Rafael**

The City of Mill Valley, Mill Valley Recreation, the Chamber of Commerce, and MVFF present a free outdoor screening of ***Hoppity Goes To Town***, an animation classics about a good hearted grasshopper who returns to his Bugville to find Mr. Bumble and Honey, his lovely daughter—and Hoppity's bee-loved—fearing for their community's safety from big-shoed humans. **Friday, October 10 at 7:45PM at Old Mill Park**

A real forest landscape is the backdrop for a 3D animated story about the tiny, scuttering creatures that live there in ***Miniscule: Valley Of The Lost Ants***. The French film features no dialogue, only unique sound effects and an immersion into the natural world. **Saturday, October 4 at 12PM at Sequoia; Saturday, October 11 at 11AM at Rafael**

From all over the world, outstanding youth-produced shorts have made their way to the ***MVFF Youth Reel 2014*** program. This shorts program will feature films from the northern reaches of Marin County and out to the East Bay, in from the southern sunshine of Los Angeles and the out-east of Illinois and Virginia, blowing down from Nova Scotia and British Columbia. Every year in July, juror's aged 13–18 spend two weeks training for, then officiating, the young curators program. With the gentlest adult guidance, this year's jurors sifted through 140 films to come up with 20 short films to be shown. **Saturday, October 11 at 3PM at Lark.**

### **About the 37th Mill Valley Film Festival**

Presented by the California Film Institute, the 37th Mill Valley Film Festival runs October 2-12, 2014 at the CinéArts@Sequoia (25 Throckmorton Ave., Mill Valley), Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center (1118 Fourth Street, San Rafael), and other venues throughout the Bay Area. With a reputation for launching new films and creating awards season buzz, MVFF has earned a reputation as a "filmmakers' festival" by celebrating the best in American independent and world cinema, alongside high profile and prestigious award contenders. MVFF welcomes more than 200 filmmakers representing more than 50 countries.

Tickets are \$14.00 (CFI Members, \$11.50), unless otherwise noted and are available for purchase on September 14, 2014.

For tickets and additional information, please visit [www.mvff.com](http://www.mvff.com) or call 877.874.MVFF (6833).

### **About the California Film Institute**

The non-profit California Film Institute celebrates and promotes film as art and education through the presentation of the Mill Valley Film Festival and year-round exhibitions at the Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center, film distribution by CFI Releasing, and building the next generation of filmmakers and audiences through the CFI Education program. For more information visit [www.cafilm.org](http://www.cafilm.org) or call (415) 383-5256.

### **Supporters**

As a nonprofit arts organization, CFI relies on the generosity of its community to sustain not only the Festival, but also the year-round programs of the Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center and CFI Education. The invaluable support of our sponsors, foundations, and individual donors ensures our continued success as we celebrate our 37th year.

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**For Calendar Editors**

**The 37th Mill Valley Film Festival**

**One of the Nation's Top 10 Film Festivals, celebrating the Best of Independent and World Cinema  
Marin County, California**

**Thursday, October 2 through Sunday, October 12, 2014**

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General Public: Sunday, September 14, 2014

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