

A close-up, high-contrast photograph of a man's face and upper torso. He has dark, slightly messy hair and a light beard. He is wearing a blue turtleneck sweater under a vibrant, multi-colored shawl or poncho with shades of red, orange, yellow, and green. The background is a warm, golden-yellow gradient with faint, stylized film strips and a palm tree silhouette.

YUCCA VALLEY

FILM FESTIVAL

PROGRAM
2024



EDITORIAL

Welcome to the 6th edition of the Yucca Valley Film Festival, the Town of Yucca Valley's signature event. This year we received over 400 submissions from 29 countries. Over the course of 3 days, we will screen a curated selection of over 40 movies and present the work of over 60 filmmakers, scriptwriters, composers and artists. Our selection also welcomes many local talents from Yucca Valley, Joshua Tree, Palm Springs, Littlerock, and Palm Desert. There is complimentary popcorn every evening, you will be able to ask questions after every screening, and get artist's autographs every day!

Do not miss the red carpet experience, the Kids Program Saturday at 1pm, and the Masterclass with 2-time Emmy Winner Shane Stanley on Saturday at 2:30 pm. Winning films and artists will all be announced Sunday at 5:30 pm, and the Awards will be immediately followed by a Social Hour with complimentary drinks.

All screenings and events take place at the Community Center of Yucca Valley. Free admission. Come and enjoy! Matt & Auregan, festival founders and organizers.

FRIDAY 8

5:30 PM - RED CARPET

Come as you are and walk the red carpet. Professional photographer snapping guests.

6 PM - MEET & GREET

With the Hi Desert Super Nova All Cheers.

6:45 PM - SCREENINGS & QnA

In presence of the filmmakers and artists. Complimentary popcorn.

Followed by a picture signing with all participating talents.

Opening words with **Mayor Robert Lombardo** at 6:30 pm.

The Adobe Collective - Blind *directed by JD Rudometkin*

The Bag *directed by John Aguirre*

Dawn *directed by Cody Hall, Christian Ruvalcaba*

Nature, Humanity & Technology *directed by Guillermo G. Castell*

Vida *directed by Maria Valdez*

Stolen Silver *directed by Josh S. Rose*

Four Feet Away *directed by Natalie Faye*

Frequency Over Time *directed by Cari Sudmeier*

Jonah Kagen - Matches *directed by Zebulon Griffin*

Mojave Lords & Earthlings? - No New Normal (sneak peek) *directed by Alejandro Ordonez*





SATURDAY 9

9:30 AM - SCREENINGS & QnA

In presence of the filmmakers and artists. Complimentary coffee and pastries.

Followed by a picture signing with all participating talents.

I Am Who I Am *directed by Caleb Townsend*

Memories of 2023 *directed by Guillermo G. Castell*

Michelle *directed by Brian Wallace*

Koroneburg *directed by Jake Villadolid*

Drain *directed by Shannon Morzov*

I'm Sending Help Now *directed by John Redlinger*

Death Pays Flora a Visit *directed by Tanna Frederick*

Not Just An Influencer *directed by Beau Martino*

SATURDAY 9

1 PM - KIDS PROGRAM *presented by Z107.7 Community Radio*

My Turn! *by I. Tumboimbela, D. Sherman*

Rock *by Shania Zhou, Julia Edwards*

Core *by Yu Hsiang Chen*

Nainai's Recipe *by Daya Lee*

Monster *by Piers Goffart, Eric Giessmann*

Scales *by Arlo Belconger, Alyssa Peterson*

Panic Party *by Katie Schneider*

Drop *by Claudio Quattrone*

Fishin' Chumps *by Scott Graham*

Chain *by Ling Han*

The Talented Justa Smurf *by William Renaud*

2:30 PM - MASTERCLASS

First come first seated. Followed by book signing.

Guest speaker **SHANE STANLEY.**

Two-time Emmy Award Winner

Director #1 movie on **NETFLIX** and **hulu**

Producer of Gridiron Gang starring **Dwayne Johnson**

Ongoing collaboration with **Mario Kassar**



4 PM - INDUSTRY PANEL THE CURRENT STATE OF HOLLYWOOD

Expert speakers:

Heather Grace Hancock - actress, *Grey's Anatomy*, *American Crime*, *NCIS*

Brent Huff - actor & director, *The Rookie*, 2022 YVFF Award Winner

Shaw Huff - producer, YVFF 2022 Documentary Award Winner

Mike Mitchell - actor, *The Tomorrow War*, *Love*, *Twisted Metal*

and the special participation of **Shane Stanley**, director & producer

5:30 PM - MEET & GREET - RED CARPET

With Captain Warrick and the team of the Morongo Basin Sheriff's office.

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6:30 PM - SCREENINGS & QnA

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Followed by a picture signing with all participating talents.

Existential Action Thriller *directed by Stephen Funk*

Darcine's Day *directed by Aaron Goffman*

Tractor Beam *directed by Stephen Burns*

Big Brothers *directed by Matt Mazany*

Adventure Panama *directed by Mike Sember*

Future West: Origin *directed by James Tate Wilson*

Just A Gun *directed by Güstavo Stebner*

Out on a Limb *directed by Filip Kojic*



SUNDAY 10

1:30 PM - SCRIPTWRITERS & COMPOSERS ROUNDTABLE

As it is now tradition, all scriptwriters and composers selected in competition will gather for a roundtable to discuss their craft.

Followed by a picture signing with all participating talents.



2:45 PM - SCREENINGS & QnA

In presence of the filmmakers and artists.

Followed by a picture signing with all participating talents.

Eclipse City *directed by Cameron Jutte, Antares Davis*

Jack Attack *directed by Ben Warhit*

Where Angels Fear to Tread *directed by Grant M. Varner*

The Sheep Are Safely Gathered In: STEP JAYNE *directed by JD Rudometkin*

Big Choppaz *directed by Daniel Osorio*

4 PM - RAPID FIRE PITCH PRACTICE

Community: send us an email at yuccavalleyfilmfestival@gmail.com to participate.

Filmmakers will pitch their new movie ideas to community members and Hi-Desert residents, who will give their feedback on the spot.

SUNDAY 10

5 PM - FINAL RED CARPET

Open to everyone with local photographer snapping each and every guest, including you: come as you are!

5:30 PM - AWARDS

Join us to discover the 2024 winners and to celebrate filmmaking with our community.

6:30 PM - SOCIAL HOUR


New this year!

Community members and festival goers will mix and mingle with the filmmakers.

Complimentary drinks and popcorn.




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6TH EDITION
November 8, 9, 10 2024


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QUESTIONS TO FILMMAKERS
With CHLOÉ MALAISE



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KICK-OFF NIGHT

Red Carpets!
Pop Corn!
Movies!



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OPENING WORDS
with MAYOR ROBERT LOMBARDO

Kick off events!
Red Carpets!
Movies!
Pop Corn!



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MEET & GREET EVENTS
with Super Nova All Cheers, Sheriff's Office and Miss Yucca Valley!



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SHORT FILMS NIGHT

In presence of filmmakers!



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KIDS PROGRAM
11 SHORT FILMS FOR THE FAMILY!

Presented by ZOOM! JUNIOR THEATRE



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MASTER CLASS
With SHANE STANLEY

Followed by Book & Picture Signing

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INDUSTRY PANEL
2024: THE CURRENT STATE OF HOLLYWOOD

with Hollywood experts: producers, actors, directors



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WRITERS & COMPOSERS ROUNDTABLE

Learn about the craft of writing stories and music for the screen.




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PITCH PRACTICE

Participate in a Rapid Fire Pitch Practice!



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AWARDS & SOCIAL HOUR

with complimentary drinks

