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**The Philadelphia Film Society Presents  
The PFF SpringFest Full Film Line-Up and Schedule.**  
Over 20 films will screen during the weekend festival, which runs from  
Friday, April 27 – Sunday, April 29.

**Philadelphia, PA, April 2018** – The **Philadelphia Film Society (PFS)** is excited to announce the full film line-up for **PFF SpringFest**, taking place **April 27 – April 29** at the **Prince** and **PFS Roxy** Theaters. With **PFF SpringFest**, the **Philadelphia Film Society** presents a mid-year survey of the freshest cinematic marvels from the international festival circuit, from American indie darlings and eye-opening documentaries to acclaimed foreign titles.

Carlos López Estrada's ***Blindspotting***, will be the Opening Night film of the festival on Friday, April 27 at the Prince Theater, in advance of its release on August 3 through Lionsgate. Writers and stars of the film, **Daveed Diggs** and **Rafael Casal**, are scheduled to attend and take part in a Q&A following the screening.

***Tully***, will close out the festival on Sunday, April 29 at the Prince Theater. Director **Jason Reitman** is scheduled to attend and take part in a Q&A following the screening.

PFF SpringFest will showcase more than 20 feature length films. The Festival line-up is curated by our programming committee who carefully selects each film from multiple international festivals throughout the year.

“Every year, as we travel the Festival circuit looking for films for the Philadelphia Film Festival, we find several films that we love but are unable to program in the Festival due to timing. With the addition of PFF SpringFest, we are now able to bring the Philadelphia premieres of exciting new films to audiences twice a year,” **PFS Executive Director J. Andrew Greenblatt** explains. “From our electrifying Opening Night film ***Blindspotting*** to powerful documentaries like ***Believer*** and daring international films like ***Ava*** to our Closing Night film ***Tully***, we're incredibly proud to say that the inaugural PFF SpringFest delivers an outstanding lineup of some of the most captivating, original and highly-anticipated American and foreign independent narrative and documentary films from the first half of the year.”

Screenings for PFF SpringFest will take place at:

- Prince Theater (1412 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102)
- PFS Roxy Theater (2023 Sansom Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103)

All Access Badges to the festival are currently available to purchase at the festival website: [Filmadelphia.org/springfest](http://Filmadelphia.org/springfest)

Individual tickets will go on sale to PFS Members on Friday, April 6 and to the general public on Monday, April 9.

Tickets and badges can be purchased online at the festival website, [Filmadelphia.org/springfest](http://Filmadelphia.org/springfest), or in-person at the Prince Theater Box Office (open Monday – Friday from 12 PM to 5 PM) and PFS Roxy Theater.

### **PFF SpringFest Full Line-Up and Schedule**

#### **Friday April 27**

***Leave No Trace*** | Debra Granik | 6:00 PM | Prince Theater

***On the Seventh Day*** | Jim McKay | 6:15 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Ava*** | Léa Mysius | 8:30 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Blindspotting*** | Carlos López Estrada | 8:30 PM | Prince Theater (**Opening Night Film**)

#### **Saturday, April 28**

***Close-Knit*** | Naoko Oigami | 12:00 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***On Chesil Beach*** | Dominic Cooke | 12:00 PM | Prince Theater

***RBG*** | Betsy West, Julie Cohen | 2:20 PM | Prince Theater

***Mr. Fish: Cartooning from the Deep End*** | Pablo Bryant | 2:40 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***On Borrowed Time*** | Yasir Al Yasiri | 4:20 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Eighth Grade*** | Bo Burnham | 4:30 PM | Prince Theater

***Woodpeckers*** | José María Cabral | 6:25 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Three Identical Strangers*** | Tim Wardle | 6:35 PM | Prince Theater

***American Animals*** | Bart Layton | 8:45 PM | Prince Theater

***Killing Jesus*** | Laura Mora | 8:45 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

#### **Sunday, April 29**

***Lots of Kids, a Monkey and a Castle*** | Gustavo Salmerón | 12:00 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Disobedience*** | Sebastián Lelio | 2:00 PM | Prince Theater

***The Gospel According to André*** | Kate Novack | 2:00 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***The Charmer*** | Milad Alami | 4:05 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Won't You Be My Neighbor?*** | Morgan Neville | 4:20 PM | Prince Theater

***No Date, No Signature*** | Vahid Jalilvand | 6:15 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Believer*** | Don Argott | 6:25 PM | Prince Theater

***Jupiter's Moon*** | Kornél Mundruczó | 8:30 PM | PFS Roxy Theater

***Tully*** | Jason Reitman | 8:30 PM | Prince Theater (**Closing Night Film**)

### **Opening Night Party**

Friday, April 27 | Prince Theater Black Box

Following the Opening Night screening of *Blindspotting*, PFS will toast to the first-ever PFF SpringFest and celebrate a weekend of new and acclaimed indies fresh off the festival circuit. The Opening Night Party will feature light bites and complimentary drinks.

*Film & Party tickets will be available.*

### **All-Access Badges**

\$150 | \$125 PFS Members

Grants priority admission for one (1) to all film screenings and events.

For more information and to purchase badges please visit:

<http://filmadelphia.org/springfest/>

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### **ABOUT PHILADELPHIA FILM SOCIETY**

Philadelphia Film Society (PFS) creates opportunities for diverse communities to experience film through initiatives that inspire, educate, challenge and entertain. It is committed to presenting film as a powerful medium for artistic expression, transformative force and catalyst for strengthening community. As the producer of the Philadelphia Film Festival and creative force behind the Prince and Roxy Theaters, it raises awareness of film as an important art form in Philadelphia. PFS is a nonprofit organization that is the region's foremost resource for film presentation and education, serving as a vital member of the arts and culture community. For more information, visit [www.filmadelphia.org](http://www.filmadelphia.org)

### **ABOUT PHILADELPHIA FILM FESTIVAL**

Every October, the Philadelphia Film Society hosts the Philadelphia Film Festival which gathers more than 25,000 dedicated film lovers and scores of talented filmmakers for ten exceptional days of cinematic splendor. Throughout the year, PFS's artistic team scours the world's most prestigious film festivals - from Sundance to Berlin, Cannes to Toronto - for the year's most highly anticipated, critically acclaimed, and thought provoking films. The Festival presents these films alongside exclusive events with actors, directors, and industry guests; VIP receptions; and much more that highlights Philadelphia as a place where film is flourishing.

As a world-class film festival, PFF represents a major contribution to the cultural life of the city and region. It presents, on average, more than 100 films and draws industry guests and panelists and fosters an interactive community of film professionals and supporters. By presenting and designing programs with a variety of partners, PFS is able create opportunities that reduce barriers to interacting with film attracting new audiences to PFS and the film community at large.

### **ABOUT PRINCE THEATER**

The Prince Theater is an exciting performance venue in the heart of downtown Philadelphia. Featuring the largest screen in the city, the Prince Theater is owned and operated by the Philadelphia Film Society, a 501(c)(3) member supported nonprofit organization. Located at Broad and Chestnut Streets on the Avenue of the Arts, the Prince Theater hosts film and live events in two state-of-the-art theaters.

For more information about what is coming to the stage and the screen at the Prince Theater, please contact us at 267-239-2941 or visit [www.princetheater.org](http://www.princetheater.org). To host your

special event at the Prince Theater, please contact us at 215-422-4587 or [rentals@princetheater.org](mailto:rentals@princetheater.org). For more information about the Philadelphia Film Society, please visit [www.filmadelphia.org](http://www.filmadelphia.org).

#### **ABOUT PFS ROXY THEATER**

In 2013, the Philadelphia Film Society took over operation of the historic Roxy Theater in Rittenhouse. PFS operates the Roxy as a first-run theater screening a mix of independent, mainstream, and international cinema. The Roxy is also the home of PFS' year-round programming, extending the festival experience beyond October with the best in contemporary film from around the world and retrospective favorites from all eras.

PFS has led a major and ongoing renovation of the Roxy. In addition to structural improvements, we've installed new seats, new floors, new washrooms, brand new digital projection and sound systems in both auditoriums, new screens, and a 35mm reel-to-reel projection system. We are also very proud to have also made the Roxy ADA accessible. The lobby and concession stand are still undergoing construction.

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