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Tallahassee Film Festival boasts diverse lineup

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The Tallahassee Film Festival is ready to roll the opening credits for its inaugural cinema celebration. Tickets are \$4 in advance or \$5 at the door, unless otherwise noted. To order, visit www.tickets.edu.fsu. For more information visit, www.tallahasseefilmfestival.com.

Here's what's showing when:

Thursday

- 6:15 p.m.: "Yesterday Was A Lie." Noir thriller about a woman on the trail of a reclusive genius. Not rated. FSU Film School Mix Theatre in the Campbell Stadium complex.
- 7 p.m.: Premiere screening of "The Good Fight" with director George Butler and writer Caroline Alexander. One-hour preview of a sports documentary about FSU football icon Bobby Bowden. FSU Student Life Cinema at the Askew Student Life Center, 942 Learning Way. Tickets are \$15 advance, \$20 at the door.
- 8:15 p.m.: "Spine Tingler! The William Castle Story." Documentary about gimmick-happy horror director who brought the world "The House on Haunted Hill." FSU Film School Mix Theatre.
- 9:30 p.m.: "Shorts 3: Halos and Horns." A collection of nine short films ranging in subject matter from a suicide bomber to a hit-and-run accident. FSU Student Life Cinema.
- 10 p.m.: "Blink." Friends in their mid-20s try to figure out what went wrong with their lives. FSU Film School Mix Theatre.

Friday

- 11 a.m.: Panel discussion titled "Filmmaking: A Report from the Trenches" with Blueridge Motion Picture chief Lee Ann Campbell, Oscar-winning sound mixer Richard Portman, FSU film school artist-in-residence Chip Chalmers and Tallahassee filmmaker Kenneth Jones. Turner Auditorium at Tallahassee Community College. Free.
- 2:30 p.m.: "Shorts 2: A Different Take." Seven short films including a comedy about a dart championship. FSU Student Life Cinema. Free.
- 3:45 p.m.: "Documentary Shorts 2: Patriotism, Politics and Hate." This crop of short docs includes Tallahassee native Bayard Stern's "Voices of Patriotism," about a local soldier killed in Iraq, along with a look at the pipe-bomb explosions at FAMU in 2000 and a look at a young veteran who returns from war to FSU. The Museum of Florida History's Heritage Hall in the R.A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough St. Free.
- 5:30 p.m.: "The Flyboys." Two young pals sneak aboard an airplane that's being used in a crime. FSU Student Life Cinema.
- 5:30 p.m.: "God's Cartoonist." Tallahassee director Kurt Kuersteiner examines the weird world of religious cartoonist Jack Chick. FSU Film School Mix Theatre.
- 5:45 p.m.: "India Untouched: Stories of a People Apart." The caste system is given a modern look. All Saints Cinema, off Railroad Avenue in the Amtrak station.
- 6 p.m.: "War Eagle, Arkansas." A baseball player must decide whether to leave his tiny town. Museum of Florida History's Heritage Hall. Free.
- 6 to 10 p.m.: Starfest Downtown GetDown. Adams Street Commons. Free.
- 6:15 p.m.: "Election Day." Voters in a various cities (including Quincy) wait for the results. FAMU School of Journalism Lecture Hall.

- 7:45 p.m.: "Shorts 1: Comedies and Animation." FSU Film School Mix Theatre.
- 8 p.m.: "Love & Fate." Kenneth Jones' drama about romance in an offbeat home. Museum of Florida History's Heritage Hall. Free.
- 8 p.m.: "Mardik: Baghdad to Hollywood." Documentary about an Iraqi screenwriter. All Saints Cinema.
- 8:15 p.m.: "Phoebe in Wonderland." A young girl lives in her own fantasy world. FSU Student Life Cinema.
- 8:30 p.m.: "Breaking the Silence: Torture Victims Speak Out." Documentary about human rights made by FSU filmmakers. FAMU School of Journalism Lecture Hall.
- 9:30 p.m.: "Shine a Light." The Rolling Stones rock out on the big screen at the Challenger IMAX on Kleman Plaza.
- 9:45 p.m.: "The Garage." A high-school grad longs to leave his job in his dad's mechanic shop. FSU Film School Mix Theatre.
- 10:30 p.m.: "Finding Kraftland." It's never too late for a second childhood in this doc about a fun-loving Hollywood agent. FSU Student Life Cinema.

Saturday

- 10 a.m.: "The Wonders of Sound: Re-Recording." Featuring Richard Portman discussing sound and Kathy Barber discussing film festival strategies. FSU Film School Mix Theatre. Free.
- 10 a.m.: "Film Festival Strategies." Featuring Kathy Barber. FSU Film School (A 2101) Free.
- 10:15 a.m.: "Willy Wonka." The original with Gene Wilder. Museum of Florida History's Heritage Hall. Free. Portman will discuss the film.
- 11 a.m.: "Five Days in September: The Rebirth of an Orchestra." The Toronto Symphony Orchestra acquires a new conductor. FSU Student Life Cinema. Free.
- Noon: "Blink." All Saints Cinema. Free.
- 12:15 p.m.: "The Garage." FAMU Journalism School Lecture Hall. Free.
- 1 p.m.: "The Lord God Bird." Director George Butler is on the trail of the allegedly extinct ivory-billed woodpecker. FSU Student Life Cinema. Butler will discuss the film. Free.
- 1 p.m.: "A Thousand Hills." An awkward teen tries to save his family's farm. Museum of Florida History's Heritage Hall. Free.
- 2 p.m.: "Documentary Shorts 1: Against All Odds." A water polo player fights his way to the Olympics and other stories of hope. All Saints Cinema. Free.
- 2 p.m.: "Directing for Film and Television." With Chip Chalmers. FSU Film School (2101A). Free.
- 2 p.m.: "Filmmakers Forum." A roundtable discussion with Paul Cohen. FSU Film School (2102A). Free.
- 2:15 p.m.: "India Untouched: Stories of a People Apart." FAMU Journalism School Lecture Hall. Free.
- 3:45 p.m.: "Reservations." Hotel guests connect one lonely night. Directed by Tallahassee native Aloura M. Charles. FSU Student Life Cinema. Free.
- 4:30 p.m.: "Spine Tingler! The William Castle Story." All Saints Cinema. Free.
- 4:30 p.m.: "River Ways." Documentary about life on the Snake River in Washington. FAMU Journalism School Lecture Hall. Free.
- 6:15 p.m.: "Encounters at the End of the World." Werner Herzog talks with eccentrics in Antarctica. FSU Student Life Cinema.
- 6:15 p.m.: "Mardik: Baghdad to Hollywood." All Saints Cinema.
- 6:30 p.m.: "Documentary Shorts 1: Against All Odds." FAMU Journalism School Lecture Hall.
- 8:15 p.m.: "Yesterday Was a Lie." All Saints Cinema.
- 8:45 p.m.: "Then She Found Me." Oscar-winning actress Helen Hunt directs this comedy. FSU Student Life Cinema.
- 9 p.m.: "Documentary Shorts 2: Patriotism, Politics and Hate." FAMU Journalism School Lecture Hall.
- 11:15 p.m.: "The Tracey Fragments." Ellen Page ("Juno") stars in this experimental film. FSU Student Life Cinema.