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**A Tribute to Peter Weir**

Peter Weir is a visionary film director. His movies, at their very core, are about deepening vision, acquiring knowledge and developing new ways of seeing and experiencing the world. Weir works with meticulous precision and consummate visual expressiveness, seeking out the consciousness shifts that happen when we encounter strange social orders and unfamiliar, disruptive landscapes. His films feature characters who face challenging new realities, gigantic emotional and psychological rifts and unforeseeable consequences that are sometimes tragic, sometimes affirming, but always transformative.

In **THE LAST WAVE** (1977), Weir’s first film to find a worldwide audience, a middle-class doctor discovers that his life is mysteriously linked to the prophecies of his country’s Aboriginal past. **WITNESS** (1985), Weir’s first big Hollywood studio hit, follows a Philadelphia homicide detective (Harrison Ford at his finest) who enters an isolated esoteric religious community, the Amish, where assumptions about existence undermine everything he believes. In **THE YEAR OF LIVING DANGEROUSLY** (1982), a naive Australian reporter (Mel Gibson) arrives in Indonesia, forges a bond with an eccentric photographer (Linda Hunt, in an Oscar-winning performance), and confronts enigmas of Asian culture and politics. The Weir formula takes shape in the wake of an airline crash (**FEARLESS**, 1993); in the South American jungle (**THE MOSQUITO COAST**, 1986); and on the Turkish front during World War I (**GALLIPOLI**, 1981). In Weir’s lost classic **THE PLUMBER** (1979), more familiar worlds are thrown into conflict: an oddball, vaguely threatening visitor invades the apartment of an increasingly paranoid housewife/academic. Black comedy, terror, and absurdity ensue, along with insights into contemporary class relations.

**Truman** (Jim Carrey) in **THE TRUMAN SHOW** (1998) loves and accepts the relentlessly ordinary life that has been artificially built just for him but, upon encountering the real, finds it rich, strange and exhilarating. Weir’s latest, **THE WAY BACK** (screening in the festival; see 23), takes a group of soldiers who escape prison and survive a harrowing, life-altering walk from Siberia to India. That’s Peter Weir’s cinema: where the extraordinary, the poetic and the spiritual inhere in the everyday, if we will only wake up and see them in their awesome, intimate, proximity. In the end, Weir invites us, using the mastery of the cinematic form, to discover the visionary in ourselves. —LG

**Poster Artist**

Ralph Eggleston

How did Ralph Eggleston become one of the world’s most beloved artists? By turning the world’s movie screens into his canvas. As one of the key crew members at Pixar during the past 18 years, Ralph has served as art director or production designer on gorgeous, blockbuster, award-winning films including **TOY STORY**, **FINDING NEMO**, **THE INCREDIBLES** and **WALL·E**. Ralph won an Oscar for directing the wonderful short **FOR THE BIRDS** (TFF 2000), which precedes **THE ILLUSIONIST** in this year’s festival.
Shows

C/Fri 5:00 PM - S/Fri 9:15 PM - P/Sun 11:45 PM

2 Chico and Rita

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For years, Spanish filmmaker Fernando Trueba (the 1993 Oscar-winning BELLE EPOQUE) has been conducting a profound love affair with Cuban music, particularly with the 93-year-old pianist-composer-bandleader Bebo Valdés. Trueba’s CALLE 54 brought Bebo to the attention of a wide audience, and the two then collaborated on a series of Grammy-winning albums. This animated fiction film—six years in the making—follows a pianist (Bebo wrote and performs the music) who pursues his true love, a Hollywood-bound nightclub singer, from Havana to New York and beyond. In addition to being an instant animation classic—co-director Javier Mariscal’s images are astonishingly beautiful—and an achingly moving, Marquez-like romance, CHICO features glorious new Bebo recordings and “cameos” from Chano Pozo, Dizzy Gillespie, Charlie Parker and other jazz greats. It is a masterpiece. —TL (Spain-Cuba, 2010, 96m) Preceded by THE SHADOW’S DREAM (d. Jeff Scher, U.S., 2009, 3m). In person: Fernando Trueba

M/Fri 6:45 PM - S/Sat 9:15 AM - C/Mon 9:15 AM

3 Poetry

Lee Chang-dong’s follow-up to his much-admired SECRET SUNSHINE (TFF 2007) is centered on Mija, a hard-working grandmother learning to write poetry even as she faces twin disasters: the onset of Alzheimer’s and the discovery that her beloved grandson has participated in a terrible crime. This summary suggests melodrama, but Lee’s sober unfussy visual style and elliptical script weave together bizarre comedy, acute anguish and transformative beauty. Lee is a true original, seemingly oblivious to all genre conventions and emotional cliches. By celebrating the obstinate individuality of his soulful heroine—the mesmerizing Yun Jung-hee appears in almost every scene—Lee illuminates the conformist nature of middle-class Korean society. Yet he remains nonjudgmental and free of ideological posturing. All of the characters, no matter how fleetingly observed, are granted their own battered humanity. POETRY is an astonishingly mature and comprehensive vision of existence: mysterious, authentic, redemptive and cathartic. —LG (Korea, 2010, 139m) In person: Lee Chang-dong

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S/Sat 1:15 PM

4 Rotaie

In the breathtaking opening sequence of Mario Camerini’s film, two lovers walk a fine line between life and death in a hotel near a railroad. From that moment forward, ROTAIE offers us everything: Soviet-style montage, a rich texture of German expressionism, nationalist propaganda, the intimacy of post-WWII neorealism, and the most unlikely of all love stories—a ne’er-do-well and a girl who blindly trusts him against all odds. It’s the last great silent produced in Italy (it was also released with a music soundtrack, against the will of its director), a synthesis of the best European cinema of the period and the unfulfilled promise of film as art under the Fascist regime. Unseen for decades outside its native country, this best-kept secret of Italian screen treasures comes to new life with Judith Rosenberg’s live music performance. —PCU (Italy, 1930, 74m) In person: Judith Rosenberg and Paolo Cherchi Usai

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5 Oka! Amerikee

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The Bayakán pygmies fill the African rainforest with music—splashing beats in the river, harmonizing vocals before breakfast, thumping the earth during a ceremonial dance. Inspired by Louis Sarno’s journals, Lavinia Currier tells the fictional story of Larry (Kris Marshall), an ethnomusicologist who has spent a quarter century recording these exquisite sounds, as the pace of modernity, including elephant hunting and logging, accelerates all around them. As in her wondrous PASSION IN THE DESERT (TFF 1997), Currier demonstrates her sharp eye, filling every corner of the frame with delicious detail. But her ambitions reach beyond the anthropologic, shaping the story into a complex, surprising exploration of two worlds colliding, seamlessly shifting between celebratory moments and expressions of deep loss. Cinematographer Conrad Hall Jr.’s deep-focus, glowing 35mm images, shot on location, are rich and magical enough to haunt the dreams of any who see them. Also see PYGMIES IN PARIS, playing in Backlot. —JS (U.S.-Central African Republic, 2010, 106m) In person: Lavinia Currier, Kris Marshall, James Bruce, Peter Sellars
Cardinale is a nutshell—the mysterious beauty who turns our heads not ling uproariously at Delon’s indiscreet dinner joke. There you may have twice—first when she enters a crowded room, and again a bit later, cackling uproariously. She had already played supporting roles in that splendid farce BIG DEAL (1955), where she is an angel of desire named Claudia. On MADONNA STREET (1958) and Visconti’s ROCCO AND HIS BROTHERS (1960), as well as in Visconti’s GIRL WITH A SUITCASE (1961), where she is a precocious 16-year-old boy. Then, in the same year as 8½, she reunited with Visconti to play Angelica, the landowner’s daughter who marries into the old aristocracy in THE LEOPARD. It is no easy feat to upstage that movie’s impossibly lush décor (to say nothing of co-stars Burt Lancaster and Alain Delon), and yet Cardinale manages to do so not once but twice—first when she enters a crowded room, and again a bit later, cackling uproariously at Delon’s indiscreet dinner joke. There you may have Cardinale in a nutshell—the mysterious beauty who turns our heads not only with her looks, but with what she has to say.

From there, she made a wonderful foil for Peter Sellers and David Niven in THE PINK PANTHER (1963) and maintained a game face as John Wayne’s trapeze artist daughter amidst the extravagant silliness of CIRCUS WORLD (1964), before teaming once more with Visconti as a haunted young woman untangling the secrets of her family’s past in SANDRA (1965)—one of her greatest roles. She flirted with Hollywood, ably holding her own as the kidnapped woman rescued by Lancaster, Lee Marvin and Robert Ryan in THE PROFESSIONALS (1966). But her most treasured “American” part was filmed in Europe: the Old West widow being stalked by a sadistic Henry Fonda in Sergio Leone’s ONCE UPON A TIME IN THE WEST (1968). Stop there and you already have a résumé fit for a legend—and ample proof of much more than a pretty face—but Cardinale has gone on to make another 60-odd movies and television programs. Many of those are popular entertainments crafted for the local audience in Italy and France, but collectively they suggest that the conventional wisdom about the paucity of roles for over-40 actresses is distinctly a Hollywood manifestation. Then, just this past spring, she was on the red carpet in Cannes, arm in arm with Delon for the premiere of a restored LEOPARD—a film, like Cardinale herself, that seems to have grown more radiant with time. –SF

Movie audiences got their first look at a 17-year-old Claude Joséphine Rose Cardinale in 1957, but it would be another six years before they got to hear what she sounded like. In part, that was because this daughter of Sicilian immigrants to Tunisia only began to speak Italian around the age of 16. And even once she mastered the language, some producers were startled by the deep, husky voice that emerged, seemingly at odds with her delicate, porcelain features. So she was dubbed for a while by other actresses, until Fellini decided to let her speak for herself in 8 ½ (1963), where she is the ultimate of the Mastroianni character’s many muses—an angel of desire named, appropriately, Claudia.

A selection of clips will be followed by the presentation of the Silver Medallion, an on-stage interview, with Hilton Als (Saturday) and Davia Nelson (Sunday), and THE GIRL WITH THE SUITCASE (Italy, 1961, 113m).

Sylvain Chomet’s follow-up to Oscar-winning Telluride favorite THE TRIPLETS OF BELLEVILLE was born of intriguingly strange circumstances: an animated film made from a script for a live action film written but never shot by Jacques Tati, France’s postwar master of droll comedy. The film’s star, a dead ringer for Tati’s alter ego M. Hulot, is a stage magician in the twilight of his career. He becomes a hero and object of adoration for a spunky teenaged chambermaid who follows him to Edinburgh from her village in the Scottish highlands. There, she cooks and keeps house for him, becoming a daughter figure as the days turn to years. Chomet’s unparalleled skill at deadpan humor does Tati’s legacy a great honor, as he builds visual gags in the deep space of the frame and uses eccentric offscreen sound jokes. THE ILLUSIONIST’s poignancy and sense of invention would do Tati proud. –LG (U.K., France, 2010, 83m) Preceded by Ralph Eggleston’s Oscar-winning FOR THE BIRDS (U.S., 2000, 6m). In person: Bob Last, Jake Eberts, Ralph Eggleston

Through Mike Leigh’s lens, marriage becomes an emblem of the human condition, an opportunity to explore how we connect, or don’t, with each other. In his 11th feature, Leigh focuses on Tom and Gerri (expertly played by Leigh regulars Jim Broadbent and Ruth Sheen). This relatively serene middle-aged couple displays a level of tenderness and good humor that makes them, by default, a sort of life raft for their mostly dysfunctional friends. The funniest and scariest of those is Gerri’s attractive coworker Mary (Leigh veteran Lesley Manville), whose desperate emotional neediness slowly turns her into a walking disaster area. This is Leigh (a Telluride tributee in 1996) at his calmly incisive best. Though brilliantly written, ANOTHER YEAR, like Leigh’s best films, feels organic in nature, refusing a single concession to tritely plotted melodrama, effortlessly accumulating the bittersweet truths of humans doing their best to live and love. –LG (U.K., 2010, 129m) In person: Lesley Manville
offscreen, the horror of the
Mark Cousins brings his camera along on a visit to the Kurdish village of Goptapa, located in the remotest part of Iraq. Though the chaotic American war rages just as a belated tribute to Monica’s perseverance and vision. 2000. Here is a version restored by Flaherty’s great-grandson Sami van Ingen, “BEING THERE,” featuring Richard Leacock, in Backlot. –PCU (U.S., 1926, 96m)
In person: Richard Leacock, Sami van Ingen, Paolo Cherchi Usai

Robert Flaherty (NANOOK OF THE NORTH) filmed this groundbreaking, at times astonishing, jewel in Samoa in 1923 and 1924, with his family helping him learn the local customs and songs. Flaherty attributed the film’s box office failure to Paramount’s classical music score, which he considered inappropriate to the lyrical depiction of a culture untouched by Western influence. In the early 1970s Flaherty’s daughter Monica went to Samoa determined to create, with the help of surviving members of the original cast and Flaherty collaborator Richard Leacock, a soundtrack that honored her father’s intentions. After nearly ten years of work, her version of MOANA premiered at the Cinémathèque Française in 1981. Screenings have been rare since Monica passed away in 2000. Here is a version restored by Flaherty’s great-grandson Sami van Ingen, as a belated tribute to Monica’s perseverance and vision. Also see ON “BEING THERE,” featuring Richard Leacock, in Backlot. –PCU (U.S., 1926, 96m)

In person: Richard Leacock, Sami van Ingen, Paolo Cherchi Usai

Good things come to those who wait—if, in the meantime, they do good work. That’s one lesson of Colin Firth’s up-down-and-up career. After 60 films and 25 years, Firth won the role of a lifetime, the lead in Tom Ford’s A SINGLE MAN (2009). An Oscar nomination and a BAFTA win followed. Soon, The Daily Telegraph was asking, “Could Colin Firth be the Great British Actor of Our Time?” His name, increasingly, was mentioned alongside that of Anthony Hopkins and Richard Burton. And David Thomson added Firth to the fifth edition of his iconic The New Biographical Dictionary of Film. “He began to reveal himself as a master actor,” Thomson wrote, “all the more alluring because of his determined restraint.”

Firth certainly has made the most of plum roles he’s received along his journey. His career began by playing a principled Marxist public school student in ANOTHER COUNTRY (1984), and with a BAFTA-nominated role as a soldier crippled in the Falklands war in BBC’s hugely controversial TUMBLEDOWN (1988). Firth’s career-defining moment, pre-SINGLE MAN, however, featured him emerging from a pond, like Venus on the half-shell, in the TV miniseries PRIDE AND PREJUDICE (1995). Among the females whose hearts he melted were Helen Fielding and her fictional Bridget Jones, who swooningly mentions Colin Firth by name in the Diary. In a case of art imitating art, Firth was cast opposite Renée Zellweger in the Bridget Jones films.

Radiating intelligence and enormous charm—he’s a matinee idol for sophisticates—Firth all along has demonstrated a relentless work ethic and catholic tastes (despite being the grandson of an Anglican priest on his father’s side and Congregational ministers on his mother’s). The result is Firth’s fascinating filmography, from solid supporting parts in first-class films such as THE ENGLISH PATIENT (1996) and SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (1998), to prominent roles in mainstream films including LOVE ACTUALLY (2003), MAMMA MIA! (2008) and HOPE SPRINGS (2003) to meaty leading roles in FEVER PITCH (1997), WHERE THE TRUTH LIES (2005), GIRL WITH A PEARL EARRING (TFF 2003), and WHEN DID YOU LAST SEE YOUR FATHER? (TFF 2007). In this year’s THE KING’S SPEECH, Firth plays George VI, whose severe nervous stammer was one of the reasons that he was reluctant to assume the monarchy. –MB

A selection of clips, followed by the presentation of the Silver Medallion, an onstage interview with Davia Nelson (Sunday) and Todd McCarthy (Monday), and a screening of THE KING’S SPEECH.

Watching THE KING’S SPEECH, at first you wonder if Colin Firth can possibly keep up with Geoffrey Rush’s whirling-dervish dynamism, but as the picture goes on the gravity shifts toward Firth, and you begin to think Rush’s performance will fade into a parade of tics and shouts. Nothing like this happens. The characters gain strength and knowledge from each other, and you can see the same transference happening with the actors under Tom Hooper’s fine direction. After the screening I attended, many people immediately said the same thing: “That was a real movie!” –GM (UK, 2010, 118m) In person: Firth, Tom Hooper and Geoffrey Rush
Raida Abu-Mustafa is a young mother from Gaza who has already lost two children to the genetic disease that now afflicts her 5-month-old son Muhammad. At an Israeli hospital—one of the last places where Israelis and Palestinians can still interact peacefully—she meets pediatrician Raz Somech and Arab affairs reporter Shlomi Eldar, who gets her story broadcast on the evening news. Donations by viewers bring in enough money to pay for a bone marrow transplant, but this is only the beginning: Eldar decides to follow the story with his camera, and as he, Somech and Abu-Mustafa work together to find a matching donor, their fragile coalition is tested by both the war raging outside and their own conflicted loyalties. With his moving, shocking documentary, produced by Ehud Bleiberg (ADAM RESURRECTED [TFF 2008], THE BAND’S VISIT [TFF 2007]), Eldar asks a simple, urgent question: In a time of war and bloodshed, does the life of one child mean less, or more? -SA (Israel, 2010, 90m) In person: Shlomi Eldar, Ehud Bleiberg

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After the death of their Lebanese mother Narwal (the luminous Lubna Azabal of PARADISE NOW [TFF 2005]), twentysomething twins Jeanne (Mélissa Désormeaux-Poulin) and Simon (Maxim Gaudette) must digest startling new information: the father they were told was dead, along with a brother they never knew existed, are still alive. Denis Villeneuve takes them, and us, on a search for answers, discovering that the mystery of Narwal’s true identity is deeply entwined in the appalling tragedy of the Lebanese civil war of the 1970s. Villeneuve (THE 32ND DAY OF AUGUST ON EARTH [TFF 1998], MAELSTRÖM, POLYTECHNIQUE) works from Wajdi Mouawad’s highly regarded play, employing a brilliantly jagged, elliptical cinematic style to tell an unforgettable, at times shocking, story. The soundtrack juxtaposes rock and opera, and the visuals alternate between gritty, immediate documentary-style footage and poetic images of unearthly elegance and beauty. INCENDIES, translated as “scorched,” is one of the most original and powerful political films in recent memory. –LG (Canada, 2010, 130m) In person: Denis Villeneuve

During 16th-century France’s era of bloody struggle between Catholics and Protestants, the cultivated soldier-scholar Chabannes (played by the brilliant Lambert Wilson) grows disillusioned with the endless savagery. He is hired as an instructor for Marie (Mélanie Thierry), an irresistibly beautiful romantic-erotic prize sought by several young noblemen (superbly played by Gaspard Ulliel, Raphaël Personnaz and Grégory Leprince-Ringuet). As he experiences his own forbidden desire for Marie, Chabannes must also protect her from the dangerously corrupt court dominated by Catherine de Medici. Former TFF Guest Director Bertrand Tavernier (SAFE CONDUCT [TFF 2002], ‘ROUND MIDNIGHT, A SUNDAY IN THE COUNTRY [TFF 1984]) translates Madame de Lafayette’s novel into a brilliant evocation of the tragic conflict between duty and passion. Though the themes are classic—the stuff of tragedies from Racine and Corneille—Tavernier, with the cinematographer Bruno de Keyzer’s lyrical landscapes and Philippe Sarde’s pulsing score, manages to make them feel passionately, urgently contemporary. –LG (France, 2010, 139m) In person: Bertrand Tavernier
**The First Grader**

After the Kenyan government announces a new public school initiative, one surprising student insists on enrolling. Kimani Maruge, a poverty-stricken 84-year-old farmer, stubbornly demands on his right to learn to read and write, even if he has to sit next to six-year-olds. Carrying the scars of the fight against British colonial rule, both externally (he was tortured during years of imprisonment) and in his heart (he survived the murder of his family), Maruge is determined to participate in a new society. Director Justin Chadwick (BLEAK HOUSE) and writer Ann Peacock turn this inspiring true story into an elegant, economical exploration of a new Africa coping with sins of the past. Naomie Harris (28 DAYS LATER, TRISTRAM SHANDY) is excellent as the idealistic teacher who risks her career, and Oliver Litondo brings an intense Faulknerian dignity to our determined hero.—LG (U.K., 2010, 105m) Preceded by STRETCHING (d. François Vogel, U.S., 2009, 4m). In person: Justin Chadwick, Naomie Harris

**Tabloid**

She is Joyce McKinney, a former beauty queen, Mensa-level genius and, perhaps, kidnapper and rapist. He is Errol Morris, a filmmaker fascinated with obsessive human behavior. To reveal much more about McKinney’s strange odyssey would spoil the wild ride Morris builds in TABLOID; suffice it to say that, as in THE THIN BLUE LINE (1988) and the Oscar-winning FOG OF WAR (TFF 2003), Morris cultivates a compelling story about the fertile soil between truth and fiction. Morris’s trademark interview style, clever reenactments and kinetic cutting give TABLOID a black humor, but one that easily passes into chilling intensity. And though Morris has called this film a love story, it is more: an exploration of America in an age when reality grows inseparable from Hollywood fantasy.—JS (U.S., 2010, 87m) Preceded by THE COW WHO WANTED TO BE A HAMBURGER (d. Bill Plympton, U.S., 2010, 6m). In person: Errol Morris, Bill Plympton

**Retour de Flamme in 3D**

Who said 3D began in the 50s? Even the Lumières’ ENTRANCE OF A TRAIN IN A STATION may have been shot in stereoscopic 3D. Following the success of last year’s presentation of SAVED FROM THE FLAMES, Serge Bromberg returns with a completely new show dedicated to the amazing world of stereoscopic 3D, tracing its origins from the invention of cinema. Bromberg reveals discoveries, gleaned after years of searching attics and flea markets, from the early days of cinema through the most recent experiments. The program includes films by George Sidney, Dave Fleischer, Charley Bowers, Jack Hannah, Chuck Jones, Louis Lumière, Ward Kimball, John Lasseter, Georges Méliès and, of course, surprises from around the world, including from the Walt Disney Studios, Cinémathèque Française, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and the National Film Board of Canada. Bromberg accompanies this show with live piano and stories. You won’t believe your two eyes. Special glasses provided at no extra cost. Total run time: 100 minutes

**A Letter to Elia**

Martin Scorsese and Kent Jones’ stunning biography clearly defines the enormous impact Elia Kazan had on modern performance, including his participation in The Group Theatre and groundbreaking work with actors including Brando, Clift and Dean. Kazan’s naming of names at HUAC is explored. But the focus here is on the great director’s struggle to discover his personal voice as a filmmaker. Punctuated by brief but beautiful quotes from Kazan, read by Elias Koteas, LETTER explores how Kazan’s films, including ON THE WATERFRONT AND A FACE IN THE CROWD, explored the moral and psychological tensions of the immigrant experience in America. The most gratifying elements, however, reveal with great delicacy and emotional force how Kazan influenced and informed Scorsese’s own films. Of Scorsese’s numerous documentaries focusing on film history, this is easily the finest.—LG (U.S., 2010, 60m) Followed by a discussion of Kazan’s legacy featuring Kent Jones, Todd McCarthy, Bertrand Tavernier, Peter Sellars
**In the first ten minutes, you see but one human face in Michelangelo Frammartino’s second feature. That’s a coughing, infirm goatherder patiently awaiting his imminent death. Otherwise, we get goats, plus astonishingly beautiful landscape images of the Calabria region of Italy. LE QUATTRO VOLTE explores the purest of pure interaction between man, animal and the immediate physical world, never taking much of an interest in dialogue or interpersonal human drama. But this is no ascetic, minimalist exercise. With a compelling sense of inevitability, this good shepherd’s death and transfiguration occur, and what follows next is so mysterious and unpredictable as to bring the film into an entirely new realm of storytelling, one that investigates the cycles of nature at their core. The images in LE QUATTRO VOLTE are so vivid, alive and colorful that you find yourself entertained, moved and impressed. –LG (Italy, 2010, 88m) Preceded by FROZEN (d. Naghi Nemati, Iran, 2010, 13m). In person: Michelangelo Frammartino**
**25 Tamara Drewe**

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Fresh from his recent popular triumph exploring the machinations of British politics in *THE QUEEN*, Stephen Frears makes a delightful turn to witty, raunchy romantic comedy with this adaptation (from screenwriter Moira Buffini) of Posy Simmonds’s popular graphic novel. Frears ingeniously weaves plot details from Thomas Hardy’s *Far From the Madding Crowd* and *Return of the Native* in recounting the erotic mishaps that occur when a young journalist with literary aspirations and a new nose returns home from London to her small rural village. A visiting rock star (Dominic Cooper), a serial adulterous best-selling crime-writer (Roger Allam), and the hunky farmer who has known her since childhood (Luke Evans) are moths attracted to Tamara’s long-legged flame. Cooper and Allam are sensationally funny, Evans authentically rugged and Hardyesque, but the show belongs to Gemma Arterton, who, in the title role is smart, witty and sexy. –LG (U.K., 2010, 110m) *In person: Stephen Frears*

**26 If I Want To Whistle, I Whistle**

Silviu is an aloof but watchful teenager in his last week of incarceration in a brutal juvenile prison camp in Romania. When he learns the mother he blames for ruining his life is about to claim his little brother, he comes unglued. Florin Şerban’s directorial debut, co-written by producer Catalin Mitulescu, is reminiscent of the best work of the Dardenne brothers. And, after 4 MONTHS, 3 WEEKS AND 2 DAYS (TFF 2007), 12:08 EAST OF BUCHAREST (TFF 2006) and THE DEATH OF MR. LAZARESCU, Romania offers evidence that its out-of-nowhere New Wave continues to evolve and thrive. In WHISTLE, Şerban offers a patient, meticulous depiction of ungovernable circumstances closing in on our hero, creating only impossible options for him. All of this is best expressed in non-professional George Păstoreanu’s central performance, which combines silence and explosive violence to stunning effect. –LG (Romania, 2010, 94m) Preceded by MICKY BADER (d. Frida Kempff, Sweden-Norway, 2010, 14m).

*In person: Florin Şerban*

**27 Never Let Me Go**

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Though this English boarding school may seem perfect, a vicious and cruel reality lies just beneath the surface. As Ruth, Kathy and Tommy discover their roles in a nightmarish, totalitarian experiment, they together seek escape from the trap that, since birth, was set for them. Director Mark Romanek (ONE HOUR PHOTO) tells their story through flashbacks with the three (played as adults by Keira Knightley, Carey Mulligan and Andrew Garfield). NEVER LET ME GO combines Alex Garland’s terse adaptation of Kazuo Ishiguro’s novel (described by *Time* as the best of the decade), Rachel Portman’s disquieting score, a superb supporting cast (including Golden Globe winner Sally Hawkins and 2005 TFF tributee Charlotte Rampling) and Adam Kimmel’s beautifully subdued camera work. Even as this potent, haunting film hits its sci-fi marks, Romanek elevates it above genre into an exploration of first love, scientific folly and mortality. –LG (U.K./U.S., 2010, 103m) *In person: Mark Romanek, Andrew Garfield, Alex Garland, Kazuo Ishiguro, Carey Mulligan*

**28 The Tenth Inning**

McGwire-Sosa, Barry Bonds and the steroids inquisition, a season-wrecking strike, the revival of the Yankees-Red Sox rivalry...the 15 years since Telluride’s premiere of Ken Burns’s BASEBALL have been as eventful as any period in the game’s long history. Thankfully, Telluride’s resident documentary hero has added four juicy hours to his 1994 series (the most watched in PBS history). Burns and co-director Lynn Novick, who both clearly love America’s Game, make high drama of the McGwire-Sosa race for the home run title, several nail-biting World Series and the rise of the Japanese star Ichiro. But TENTH INNING is more than a highlight reel, as the filmmakers put the sport into a greater social context. What explains our fascination with failed heroes? Why were the steroids revelations so devastating to us? And what can this new, increasingly international era of baseball teach Americans about America? –JS (U.S., 2010, two parts, 120m, 124m) *In person: Ken Burns*
SPECIAL MEDALLION: UCLA FILM & TELEVISION ARCHIVE

The Festival annually celebrates a hero of cinema—an organization or individual—that preserves, honors and presents great movies. Past recipients include the Criterion Collection, HBO, Ted Turner, Stanley Kauffman and Manny Farber.

Though the youngest of America’s major film archives, the UCLA Film & Television Archive stands proudly alongside them. Founded in 1965 as a part of the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television, the Archive is a vital part of the L.A. film scene and world-class contributor to the cause of film preservation. The late, great film historian and teacher (and former TFF director) William K. Everson maintained that finding and saving rare movies was only worthwhile if one also shared them with audiences.

From its inception, UCLA has followed that precept, providing students and film buffs in Los Angeles with a steady and diverse roster of programming. Meanwhile, the Archive has become a repository for thousands of films from a wide variety of sources, ranging from the Directors Guild of America to Outfest, and encompassing the entire Hearst-Metrotone Newsreel library—27 million feet of film—and Paramount and Warner Bros.’ 35mm nitrate film inventories. Longtime Preservation Officer Bob Gitt brought worldwide attention to the Archive through his painstaking restoration of films including the first three-color Technicolor feature, Becky Sharp (1935). In 1988, under director Bob Rosen, the Archive’s Festival of Preservation showed off its latest achievements, from early Vitaphone talkies to landmark works of contemporary independent and documentary filmmaking. Prints of UCLA’s lovingly restored films now travel the globe to be screened at archives, museums, and festivals, and turn up on DVD. A recently completed web site (http://animation.library.ucla.edu/) offers examples of rare animation from the Archive online, accompanied by expert commentary. Under current director Jan-Christopher Horak, the dedicated Archive staff continues to break new ground in preservation and programming, as work continues on an expansive new preservation center.

UCLA’s precious nitrate prints and negatives were moved to the $39 million vault in 2008. As a film buff and Los Angeles resident, I have ample reason to be grateful to the UCLA Film & Television Archive, for nourishing the film community, locally and internationally. The Telluride Film Festival couldn’t find a more deserving recipient of its Special Medallion.—Leonard Maltin

29 Treasures from UCLA

Jan-Christopher Horak, director of the UCLA Film & Television Archive, begins this selection of works with MULTIPLE SIDOSIS (d. Sid Laverents, U.S., 1970, 10m), an unforgettable amateur music film (now in the National Registry), and the trailer for PARTING GLANCES (d. Bill Sherwood, U.S., 1986, 3m), a seminal film restored in conjunction with Outfest. UCLA holds the entire Hearst Newsreel archive, including “Red Crisis Stirs Nation” from 1948. Next: an outrageous musical segment from the early color sound film FOLLOW THRU (d. Lloyd Corrigan, U.S., 1930, 9m); A DATE WITH DUKE (U.S., 1947, 9m), in which a jazz legend has a stunningly restored Technicolor interaction with George Pal’s Puppetoons; and the experimental short WEDLOCK (d. Louis Clyde Stoumen/Ed Spiegel, U.S., 1950, 4m). The success of UCLA’s triumphant restoration of THE RED SHOES (d. Michael Powell, Emeric Pressburger, England, 1948) is illustrated with before-and-after footage. Plus the presentation of the Special Medallion…and surprises. Total program time: 105 minutes. Followed by a conversation between Jan-Christopher Horak and 2009 Special Medallion recipient Serge Bromberg.

30 Brandy in the Wilderness

Completed and briefly released at the end of the 1960s (and again, in varying forms, in the early 1970s), Stanton Kaye’s film disappeared in the decades thereafter. Yet, for those who have seen it, the film assuredly ranks with Jim McBride’s DAVID HOLzman’S DIARY and Monte Hellman’s TWO-LANE BLACKTOP as one of the great American films of the era. Director/writer/cinematographer Stanton Kaye stars as Simon Weiss, an independent filmmaker in a dependent and dysfunctional relationship with the titular Brandy (co-writer Michaux French). Within a modest framework—a cross-country filming trip goes awry—BRANDY cleverly intersperses vérité footage, faux-autobiographical detail, staged sequences and occasional snapshot collages of questionable veracity, deliberately distorting the tenuous intersection between fiction and reality. Straying well beyond the conventional borders of narrative or documentary filmmaking, Kaye’s lost and found BRANDY is a work of unmistakable genius…and scheduled for restoration by UCLA.—JM (U.S., 1968, 72m) In person: Stanton Kaye

31 Chicago

“The drama of a Big City,” the titles of CHICAGO tell us, “and a little girl who was all wrong.” Likely the one movie Cecil B. DeMille directed but refused credit for, the jazz-era classic follows murderess Roxie Hart (played with spectacular rotten-dame spunk by Phyllis Haver) as she brilliantly navigates a new world of fame, courtrooms, yellow journalism and lovers old and new. DeMille and/or his assistant Frank Urson (officially credited as director) crafted a sensational blend of satire and high melodrama, showing how Roxie parleys the killing of her lover into celebrity. Long thought lost, CHICAGO was recently discovered in DeMille’s vaults and restored by the UCLA Film & Television Archive. As evidenced by the Oscar-winning 2002 remake and the ongoing 15-year Broadway run of the play, Roxie’s bad-girl story remains titillating even today.—JS (U.S., 1927, 119m) Presented by the UCLA Film & Television Archive and featuring a live, original score performed by the Mont Alto Orchestra

S/Sun 11:45 AM

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Untidy but infernally handsome; enchantingly quiet yet entirely firm; a man of letters crazy about the movies; born in Sri Lanka, educated in England, turned into a Canadian—when will he get his life right? He is the poet of Billy the Kid and the dedicated Boswell to Walter Murch’s Johnson. He is also the author of The English Patient, a landmark among modern novels, and a book that inspired a prospect of experimental inwardness and exciting visible action in contemporary cinema. The collaboration that occurred among Michael and Anthony Minghella, Saul Zaentz and Walter Murch, is one of the happiest and most intricate backstories, and all the more elusive now that the fabulous Minghella has gone away.

I fear I know Michael too well to be coherent about him—yet I treasure every fresh meeting for the chance to learn more about this far-fetched creation. We were at school together in the 1890s—at Dulwich College in England (the alma mater of Michael Powell, Raymond Chandler and Leslie Howard)—yet as far as we can recall we exercised immense, perverser restriction and never spoke to each other there. Instead, we left friendship to another day. In addition, we shared the bewilderment later on that while our school boasted of its cricketers, Antarctic explorers and great scoundrels, it never told us about Michael Powell.

Still, in the way of introducing him to the Telluride Film Festival and recommending him to you, let me just say that he is in love with movies and the evasive show-off in movie people. He has been a juror at Cannes; he has made films himself; he has talked to Juliette Binoche; and he has a generous love of things as far-ranging as LUST, CAUTION and Michael Mann’s THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS. He also does a double act of good cop, bad cop with his brilliant wife Linda Spalding that is a little reminiscent of Nick and Nora Charles. And they had a dog once.

—David Thomson
In this powerful black-and-white film, the viewer barely gets a few feet above the ice and snow of a terrible Belarus winter in 1942. We follow two Soviet partisans who have been sent on a mission to find food for their company, and as they come upon various individuals and families and seem to step deeper and deeper into danger, we long to escape, but cannot, the evidence of their progress towards their fate. When the two are captured by the Nazis and interrogated by a collaborator, the film lifts into a devastating story of religious redemption and damnation. In spite of the religious iconography and subject, this tough unsentimental Russian film, which was seen at Telluride in 1977, is faultlessly and intimately directed by Larisa Shepitko, who was 39 years old at the time and died tragically just two years later in a car crash. –MO (U.S.S.R., 1977, 111m, archive print)

The Bulgarian director Momchil Troell is best known for HEREDA’S, THE IMMIGRANTS and THE NEW LAND. But before those masterworks he made CONFIDENCE, based on a script by Szabó and Erika Szántó. The story takes place in Hungary at the end of the Second World War, and focuses on a woman whose husband is part of the underground and who is made to share an apartment with another man, also in the underground. By necessity they pretend to be husband and wife. The man is utterly paranoid that she will somehow betray him. He begins coaching her, testing her. They fall in love and it goes on from there. The fear and the paranoia and the desire do not stop. The film has all of Szabó’s powers of capturing devastating intimacy in his two leading actors, Ildikó Bánsági and Péter Andorai. Everything in their lives is on the table, tested during the last days of the war. –MO (Hungary, 1980, 105m, archive print)

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Though Jan Troell’s THE IMMIGRANTS and THE NEW LAND became well known in the early 1970s, his first film is even more wonderful. Never released in North America or on DVD and based on Eyvind Johnson’s novel, HERE’S YOUR LIFE is a bildungsroman about a young man in his late teens working in “various jobs—as a logger, as a projectionist, as part of a small theatrical troupe—and developing, during this scattered, informal education, a political and artistic stance to the world around him. As always with Troell (a tributee in 2008), the camerawork is so rare that you know you have never seen anything like this before. The long drives, the two men dancing joyously in the nude, a love scene on bicycles—all are unbelievably vivid. A great, unforgettable film. –MO (Sweden, 1966, 169m) A new restoration from the Swedish Institute

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When I saw THE HUSTLER at the age of 18, I first became aware of the remarkable editing of Dedie Allen, who sadly died this year. The list of films she edited, from BONNIE AND CLYDE to DOG DAY AFTERNOON to NIGHT MOVES, is mythological. THE HUSTLER also has a wide range of casting and performance, from the haunting Piper Laurie, to an uncharacteristic Jackie Gleason, and the barely contained virility and power of George C. Scott. (“You know where my car is? It’s the one parked beside the fire hydrant.”) Cameraman Eugen Schüfftan’s past in shooting documentaries gave the pool hall locations a complete believability. Director Robert Rossen based his screenplay on a book by Walter Tevis, who wrote hard-edged novels about “competition,” including a great one on chess called The Queen’s Gambit. Anyway, at 18 I decided I would become either a film editor or a pool player. –MO (U.S., 1961, 134m, archive print)
Passes
Passholders are admitted to the theatres first. These symbols: ▲, ■, ● on the pass direct passholders to their appropriate queue at each theatre. Please read the back of your pass for information on what your pass does and does not provide.

TBAs
The Telluride Film Festival schedule has been designed to accommodate all passholders at all programs, but not at all screenings. Programs that do not have sufficient seating at scheduled showings will usually be repeated in the TBA slots, making it possible for all passholders to see the programs they wish to see during the course of the Festival.

Individual Tickets
Open seats remaining in the theatres after passholders have been seated will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis for $20 each, cash only.

The Late Show
The Late Show Ticket is $40. It provides entry to the final shows Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday at both the Chuck Jones and Palm and may be purchased at the Hospitality Box Office in Brigadoon or at either the Palm or Chuck Jones box offices. Late Show Ticket holders will be admitted to their shows with passholders.

Free Shows
This icon ◆ delineates a show that is free and open to the public. Passholders admitted first to indoor shows.

Qs
Except for Chuck Jones’ Cinema (see below), all theatre venues use a system of “Qs” to ensure fairness and uphold the first-come, first-served policy of the Festival. Paper Qs are distributed at each venue to better control entry and determine as quickly as possible when a show is expected to sell out. Only one Q per person present will be issued. Holders of Qs are not guaranteed entry.

Chuck Jones’ Cinema
Due to its location in Mountain Village, a 12-minute gondola ride from Telluride, Chuck Jones’ Cinema (CJC) uses the Wabbit Westation, or W2, system for entry as an alternative to the Qs distributed at other venues. The W2 guarantees an unassigned seat for passholders for a specific show at CJC for those who arrive 15 minutes prior to showtime. W2s are distributed from 90 minutes until 30 minutes prior to any show from our Acme Booths, which open daily at 7:30 a.m.:

1. At the Acme Booth located near Brigadoon at the gondola base.
2. At the Acme Booth next to Chuck Jones’ Cinema in the Mountain Village plaza.

W2s are distributed to all passholders (Acmes excepted), who are advised to secure one for the show they plan on attending. Any available seats after all passholders have been seated will be sold at $20 each. Passholders should plan on allowing no less than 30 minutes travel time from the base of the gondola to ensure entry into Chuck Jones’ Cinema.

Festival Kiosks and WiFi Hot Spots
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Schedule
Saturday, September 4

10  The Hustler
   1a  A Tribute to Peter Weir

11  Happy People: A Year in the Taiga

1 Q & A

2  Never Let Me Go
   3  Poetry
   4  Another Year

3  The Way Back
   5  The First Movie
   6  A Tribute to Claudia Cardinale & The Girl with the Suitcase

4  Brandy
   5  Q & A
   6  Return of the Poet

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Schedule
Sunday, September 5

10  The First Movie
   11  TBA
   12  TBA

11  The Illusionist
   12  Another Year
   13  Incendies

12  Q & A
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**Brigadoon**

It’ll appear every year, rather than every 100, but Telluride’s Brigadoon is as magical as the mythical Scottish village.

**Brigadoon Plaza (next to the gondola station)**

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This one-stop Festival headquarters includes:

- **The Hospitality Center**, where you’ll find Festival programs, pass lanyards, copies of The Film Watch, and goodies provided by the Festival’s sponsors. Film Festival staff members can answer all of your Festival-related questions.

- **Festival Memorabilia Store**, the place to purchase Festival garb, posters, logo wear and Festival-related books, along with a variety of treasures from Telluride Film Festivals past.

- **The Brig Bookstore**, featuring books by Kazuo Ishiguro and Michael Ondaatje and DVDs from Flicker Alley, Mont Alto Orchestra and UCLA Film & Television Archive. See Festivities, page 39, for booksigning sessions.

- And just next door, **The Press Office**, for the intrepid members of the media who have made the trek to Telluride.

- Directly across Brigadoon Plaza you’ll find the **Festival Box Office**, for all pass issues, including sales of the Late Show Ticket.

**Digital Lounge at Brigadoon**

At Brigadoon during operating hours; free to all.  
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A must stop at the Festival is the Digital Lounge at the Brigadoon Hospitality Tent for free access to the Internet. There you can watch a selection of Festival Short Films, check live theater “Q” ticket info, and access the Festival schedule.

**Hydration Stations**

Throughout Telluride and Mountain Village

Join TFF in the battle against plastic. No more endless little water bottles! Together TFF, Brita and FilterForGood.com bring you crystal-clear filtered water that will be available throughout the towns of Telluride and Mountain Village at watering stations. Locations noted in your program guide map. Pick up your big bottle at Brigadoon by presenting your pass for a punch. Fill up as often as you can and enjoy the refreshment without the guilt.

**Elks Park**

The intersection of Colorado Avenue and Oak Street (SW corner)

Telluride’s central location is a convenient place to rendezvous. It’s also the venue for the evening outdoor screenings and the Saturday and Sunday Seminars. See page 37 for Seminar details.

**County Courthouse**

The intersection of Colorado Avenue and Oak Street (NW corner)

The historic San Miguel County Courthouse hosts the Conversations series. See page 37 for details.

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**The Rules**

All Festival Passes are absolutely non-transferable.  
The saving of seats or places in line is not permitted.  
There is no seating after the performance begins.  
The theatres will be cleared after each performance.  
The use of cell phones, electronic recording or communication devices is not permitted in the theatres.
Filmmakers of Tomorrow

S2 | Student Prints

The best in student-produced work from around the world. Curated and presented by Godfrey Reggio, followed by Q&A with filmmakers. Total run time: 97 minutes. Free after all passholders have been seated.

OFF SEASON (d. Jonathan Van Tulleken, U.S., Columbia University, 2009, 14m) In the chilling dead of winter, a thief breaks into the wrong summer cottage.

THE QUEEN* (d. Christina Choe, U.S., Columbia University, 2009, 8m) A young drycleaner imagines the prom of his dreams.

WOMAN IN PURPLE* (d. Igor Drljaca, Bosnia and Herzegovina/Canada, York University, 2009, 13m) Fast becoming a man, a boy wonders: Was that her?

ON LEAVE* (d. Asaf Saban, Israel, Beit-Berl College, 2009, 14m) A soldier returns home to his family and girlfriend, but something has changed.

WOLVES (d. Rafael Sommehler, U.K., Royal College of Art, 2010, 7m) A man on the subway has a wild dream.

THE LOVE SONG OF ISKRA PRUFROCK* (d. Lucy Gaffy, Australia, Australia Film and Television School, 2009, 16m) A refugee confronts a troubling past in a strange town.

DREAMS AWAKE* (d. Kevin Gordon and Rebekah Meredith, U.S., Stanford University, 2010, 7m) Far from home, a man discovers his strength and uses it for the good of his community.

GOD OF LOVE* (d. Lukas Matheny, U.S., New York University, 2010, 18m) A talented dart-throwing singer discovers how best to use the gift of love.

STUDENT PROGRAMS

Our future is orange! All students wear orange passes—ask them about their experience and meet Telluride’s future filmmakers and passholders.

Student Symposium
Celebrating its 22nd glorious year, this program provides 50 graduate and undergraduate students with a weekend-long immersion in cinema. Participants watch films and discuss movies with Festival guests and Symposium faculty. For more information on all the education programs, pick up a brochure at Brigadoon.

City Lights Project
Building on the success of the Student Symposium and marking its 11th anniversary, this program includes 15 high school students and five teachers from three divergent schools. These participants have the opportunity to expand their personal and professional horizons through a concentrated program of film screenings and discussions.

Both programs made possible in part by a contribution from George & Pam Hamel, with additional support provided by Pangea Media Productions, LLC and Facets Multi-Media

S3 | Great Expectations

While outstanding works in their own right, these three featurettes leave us eagerly anticipating full-length works from their directors. Introduced by Godfrey Reggio. Total run time: 99 minutes. Free after all passholders have been seated.

COME TO ME* (d. Ewa Banaszkiewicz, Poland, 2010, 31m) A desperate woman returns to Warsaw, in search of her boyfriend and finds an unlikely friend.

POSTER GIRL* (d. Sara Nesson, U.S., 2010, 38m) An All-American girl enlists; a wounded woman returns. Her testimony makes her a hero.

FATENAH* (d. Ahmad Habash, Palestine, 2010, 30m) Isolated in the Gaza Strip, a woman struggles to receive the help she needs. The first Palestinian 3D animation.

S4 | Calling Cards

A collection of outstanding new short films by emerging filmmakers. Introduced by Godfrey Reggio. Total run time: 103 minutes. Free after passholders have been seated.

FLAWED* (d. Andrea Dorfman, Canada, 2010, 12m) There’s nothing like a new romance to help us consider our own self-image.

HIDEG BEREC (d. Mihály Schwechtje, Hungary, 2009, 16m) Two boys, living moment to moment, navigate an urban wilderness.


DEEPER THAN YESTERDAY (d. Ariel Kleiman, Australia, 2010, 20m) After three months under the sea, it is savagery that begins to surface.


EZRA RISHONA* (d. Yarden Karmin, Israel, 2009, 16m) Why, exactly, would he come to visit on this particular day?

*denotes filmmaker in person
These short masterpieces play before feature films.

**THE COW WHO WANTED TO BE A HAMBURGER***
(d. Bill Plympton, U.S., 2010, 6m)
For the ambitious bovine, it’s no pain, no gain.
17 Precedes TABLOID.

**DENNIS JAKOB UNPLUGGED***
(d. Errol Morris, U.S., 2010, 8m)
The ultimate film lover shares his passion. And it’s contagious.
10 Precedes the THE FIRST MOVIE.

**FOR THE BIRDS***
(d. Ralph Eggleston, U.S., 2000, 6m)
Move over little birds, the big bird’s moving in. Our poster artist’s delightful Oscar-winning animation.
7 Precedes THE ILLUSIONIST.

**FROZEN**
(d. Naghi Nemati, Iran, 2010, 13m)
Stranded and alone, with the temperature dropping...
24 Precedes LE QUATTRO VOLTE.

**MICKY BADER**
(d. Frida Kempff, Sweden-Norway, 2010, 14m)
Approaching a landmark birthday, a woman dips into her eventful personal history.
26 Precedes IF I WANT TO WHISTLE, I WHISTLE.

**THE SHADOW’S DREAM**
(d. Jeffrey Scher, U.S., 2009, 3m)
Keep your eyes on the sidewalk. What can we learn? Who can we see?
2 Precedes CHICO AND RITA.

**STRETCHING**
(d. François Vogel, U.S., 2009, 4m)
Flex and the whole world flexes with you.
16 Precedes THE FIRST GRADER.

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**SPOTLIGHT ON HARUTYUN KHACHATRYAN**
In an ideal world, the filmmaker Harutyun Khachatryan would be as well known as Walt Whitman. But Khachatryan remains an awesome discovery, a poet whose language is almost purely visual and whose films—deeply connected to Armenia, his homeland—explore freedom, home, land and nation. Born in Akhalkalak, Georgia, in 1944, Khachatryan studied film in Yerevan and has worked mostly in documentary since 1981. His 12 shorts and features take on tough subjects: the aftermath of a devastating earthquake, regional war, the troubled transition to independence. The marvel of each Khachatryan film lies in the texture of images: a dog crossing the road, birds erupting from a rooftop in the corner of a frame, a close-up of the water buffalo’s frightened eye. He weaves them into a tapestry, one that shares its beautiful, spiritual and profound secrets with careful viewing. In addition to these two films, Khachatryan’s THE DOCUMENTARIST plays in the Backlot. –MS

**Border**
M/Sun 1:15 PM
Khachatryan mixes documentary and narrative elements in the tale of a water buffalo, discovered on the border just after the end of the Armenian-Azerbaijani war and relocated to a farm. As an outsider, the buffalo witnesses a year in the life of a village filled with distrust and insecurity. Subjectively filmed, heart-rending and deeply emotional, BORDER offers an unforgettable exploration of humanity and freedom. –MS
(Armenia, 2009, 82m) *In person: Harutyun Khachatryan, Kirill Razlogov

**Return of the Poet**
L/Sat 2:00 PM
Khachatryan follows the painstaking creation of a statue of the legendary Armenia balladeer-poet Jivany. After unearthing the clay, the artist first sculpts (sleeping next to his statue) and then casts the work. He then accompanies the statue across Armenia to Jivany’s birthplace, engaging in celebrations and performances of traditional music and Jivany’s poems at each stop. Khachatryan himself sculpts an otherworldly odyssey and multi-layered evocation of the landscape, people, traditions and energy of the Armenian people. –MS
(Armenia, 2006, 88m) *In person: Harutyun Khachatryan, Kirill Razlogov
Behind-the-scenes movies and portraits of artists, musicians and filmmakers. Located at Telluride’s Wilkinson Library. All screenings are free and open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

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A Bergman

Two films from Stig Björkman on the essential director: IMAGES FROM A PLAYGROUND (Sweden, 2009, 29m) uses clips, rare behind-the-scenes footage and interviews with Harriet Andersson and Bibi Andersson to explore Bergman’s early works....BUT FILM IS MY MISTRESS (Sweden, 2010, 66m) celebrates Bergman’s remarkable run of classics from PERSONA (1967) to SARABAND (2003).

B Cameraman: The Life and Work of Jack Cardiff

Jack Cardiff is one of the towering figures of cinematography, working from age four nearly up to his death in 2009. Esteemed by many as cinema’s greatest innovator in the use of color, his filmmography reads like an encyclopedia of film history, highlighted by his brilliant collaborations with Michael Powell and Emeric Pressburger. Craig McCall’s lively, immensely entertaining doc tells Cardiff’s story largely through his own words. Clever, passionate, charming and full of anecdotes as colorful as his most audacious compositions, Cardiff leads us on a joyful, cinephilic journey. –JD (U.K., 2010, 86m) In person: Craig McCall

C Chekhov for Children

In 1979, Telluride audiences watched a remarkable student film: New York City 5th- and 6th-graders staging an adaptation of Uncle Vanya with their teacher, writer/film critic and 1995 Telluride Guest Director Phillip Lopate. Nearly three decades later, one of the students, Sasha Waters Freyer, takes up a camera to reflect on the experience with Lopate and her now-adult classmates. The result is a moving, honest exploration of the nature of childhood, a loving paean to the Upper West Side of the late 70s, and a celebration of the joyous possibilities of arts education. Freyer’s unexpected and charming film transcends simple nostalgia to explore deeper, more complex emotional terrain. –JD (U.S., 2010, 74m) In person: Sasha Waters Freyer, Phillip Lopate

D Daniel Schmid: Le Chat Qui Pense

One of Switzerland’s greatest directors of both film and opera, Daniel Schmid combined the romantic traditions of opera and melodrama with the experiments of the Berlin avant-garde and the New German Cinema to create a grandiose and exuberant body of work. Pascal Hofmann and Benny Jaberg’s warm tribute reveals a passionate, playful dreamer, with friends and collaborators (Werner Schroeter, Rainer Werner Fassbinder, Ingrid Caven and Bulle Ogier) describing a charismatic man full of intelligence and imagination. Period footage captures the electricity of the Berlin and Paris artistic communities of the 60s and 70s. –JD (Switzerland, 2010, 83m)

E Documentarist

Both self-portrait and social commentary, Harutyun Khachatryan’s DOCUMENTARIST offers an arresting, disturbing and unforgettable depiction of a place and time. Khachatryan tells the story, in chapters, of modern Armenia, wringing emotional intensity out of its sepia-toned images and intricate, layered sound design, featuring ghostly rumblings and low wails. Nearly free of speech, this is a hypnotic, tour-de-force piece of pure cinema, offering a sinister look at a country whose war wounds still fester. Khachatryan’s BORDER and RETURN OF THE POET play elsewhere in the festival. –JD (Armenia, 2003, 60m) In person: Harutyun Khachatryan, Kirill Razlagov

F Hurricane Kalatozov

With films including THE CRANES ARE FLYING, THE UNSENT LETTER and I AM CUBA (which was rediscovered by Telluride), Georgian-born Mikhail Kalatozov was responsible for some of the most iconic Soviet movies. While managing to (mostly) appease the propagandistic and bureaucratic demands of the government, he built a highly personal body of work characterized by intense romanticism and formal virtuosity. Patrick Cazals provides an insightful account of a reserved man who paradoxically created rapturous, expressive cinema. Colleagues and historians, including this year’s tributee Claudia Cardinale, describe the complicated way that Kalatozov made such radical works within the restrictions of filmmaking in the Soviet state. –JD (France, 2010, 74m)

G The Magnificent TATi

Jacques Tati, screenwriter of and inspiration for TFF 2010’s THE ILLUSIONIST, was one of France’s most revered comedians and filmmakers, and an uncompromising genius decades (at least) ahead of his time. Michael House’s documentary tracks Tati’s transformation from frame-builder’s son to comic visionary and explores his warm, elaborately choreographed body of work. Full of rare clips and interviews that demonstrate Tati’s influence across mediums, TATi tells the story of his early, wild successes (JOUR DE FÊTE, MR. HULOT’S HOLIDAY) and how his incredibly ambitious masterpiece PLAYTIME bankrupted him and his family. THE MAGNIFICENT TATi is a celebration of one of cinema’s most winsome geniuses. –JD (U.K.-U.S.-France, 2009, 60m)

H Moguls and Movie Stars

Framing the early history of Hollywood as a quintessential tale of the American Dream realized, this series takes a nostalgic look back at the outsiders—immigrants, Jews and women—who moved West to build an empire. In Part 1, Christopher Plummer narrates the story of how pioneers including Thomas Edison and Eadweard Muybridge used still images to create the illusion of movement, leading to the invention of cinema. Part 2 chronicles the rise of Hollywood, its studios and stars including Charlie Chaplin, Mary Pickford and D. W. Griffith. MOGULS AND MOVIE STARS is a stirring, comprehensive account of the profound and sudden impact cinema had on 20th-century American culture. –JD (U.S., 2010, two episodes, each 60m) In person: Jon Wilkman
One of the pioneers of direct cinema, Richard Leacock helped usher in new ways of seeing the world. Beginning with his work on Robert Drew’s PRIMARY (1960), Leacock translated new technologies—including small-format film, portable cameras and synchronized sound—into cinematic freedom, capturing subjects with a greater immediacy than ever before possible. Combining recent interviews with ones she shot in 1972, Jane Weiner discovers a man happily exploring the medium, endlessly enthralled at making films that give audiences the sense of “being there.” Shown as a work in progress. –JD (U.S., 2010, 93m) In person: Jane Weiner, Richard Leacock

In 1965 David Hoffman took a crew to South Turkey Creek, North Carolina, to make a film with the 83-year-old folklorist, buck dancer, lawyer, judge, singer, promoter and spell-caster Bascom Lamar Lunsford. As they drive through the county to meet the best buck dancer, banjo player, dulcimer player, singer in the region, the mountain landscape, too, becomes a character, and a tension begins to rise between the ordinary—people playing the old songs everybody knows in the way everybody knows them—and the extraordinary—the way the mountains recede into their own mist, and the way, you begin to sense, a giant is going to emerge from it. –GM (U.S., 1965, 60m) In person: Greil Marcus

In the early 90s, a group of Bayaka Pygmies from central Africa traveled to Paris for the first time to perform their music and dance for French television. Louis Sarno, the American who has lived among the Bayako for 20 years and is the inspiration for OKA! AMERIKEE (playing elsewhere in the festival) helped organize the trip, recognizing the rare and important chance to document an endangered music and an occasion to observe two vastly different cultures meeting and (sometimes) trying to understand each other. Director Mark Kidel celebrates the performances and offers a disquieting look at the uneasy terrain between promotion and exploitation. –JD (U.K., 1992, 45m) Preceded by AFRICAN PYGMY THRILLS (U.S., 1938, 8m).

Living in a Bucharest alley for more than 20 years, Ion Barladeanu struck his neighbors as a common drunk. But even as he slept among garbage, he was prodigiously assembling and painting mixed media collages, or “directing films,” as he described his work. Often incorporating magazine cutouts of movie stars, his irreverent, pop art-like style might have been considered degenerate by political leaders—had anyone ever seen it. Alexander Nanau’s wryly comic, poignant film follows Barladeanu back to the town from which he escaped his abusive parents, and on to an international art show in Basel, where he is lauded as a genius even as he looks completely out of place with his weathered face and worn cowboy hat. –JD (Romania, 2010, 60m) In person: Alexander Nanau

Go behind the scenes with the Festival’s special guests.
Admission is free; passholders receive first seating at indoor venues.

**Seminars**
Saturday and Sunday panels are free and open to the public; passholders only admitted to the Monday panel. Moderated by Annette Insdorf.

- **What’s Love Got to Do With It?**
  Why does love remain a favorite subject for filmmakers? Can they show us anything new?
  Saturday, Noon, Elks Park

- **Human/Nature**
  How and why are filmmakers using nature as a force in their films?
  Sunday, Noon, Elks Park

- **Do You See What I See?**
  How do filmmakers translate their vision into compelling images for the screen?
  Passholders only admitted
  Monday, Noon, Town Park

**Conversations**
Sponsored by Universal Studios
County Courthouse, main street
Festival guests talk to each other, and the audience, about cinema, culture and whatever else is on their minds.

- **Claudia Cardinale and Ben Mankiewicz**
  Saturday, 10:45 AM

- **Olivier Assayas and Greil Marcus**
  Saturday, 2 PM

- **Michael Ondaatje and Kazuo Ishiguro**
  Saturday, 5 PM

- **Errol Morris and Charles Ferguson**
  Sunday, 10:30 AM

- **Peter Sellars and “Special Guest”**
  Sunday, 3 PM

- **TBA**
  Monday, 10 AM

- **Geoffrey Rush and Tom Hooper**
  Monday, 1:30 PM
With limitless imagination and surprising joy, Danny Boyle’s unjustly neglected family film follows two brothers as they deal with a windfall: a bag containing 265,000 Pounds Sterling that bounced off a train and into their possession. What to do with the money? Give it to homeless men at the Pizza Hut? Invest for the future? Whatever the plan, it needs to happen fast; in one week, the UK swaps out the Pound for the Euro. Boyle’s enchanted-realm approach is risky—he mixes sophistication and whimsy, children, money, criminals and saints (one brother is an expert in them; when a group of Africans materializes wearing halos, he is ecstatic “The Ugandan martyrs of 1881!”). As in his SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE (TFF 2008), Boyle’s delight in his film is manifest. He is a serious filmmaker who, despite the special effects and materializing saints, invests in real ideas, real issues and real kids. –Roger Ebert (U.K., 2005, 97m)  
In person: Danny Boyle

EXHIBIT
Pix-Art: The Creations of Ralph Eggleston
137 W. Colorado Ave.
Fri-Mon 10:00 AM-4 PM
The artist behind Pixar hits including TOY STORY, MONSTERS, INC., FINDING NEMO, WALL•E and UP shares some of his favorite personal artworks.

Michael Ondaatje Booksigning
Brigadoon/Sat 1:15 PM
This year’s Guest Director—the Booker Prize-winning author of The English Patient—signs his indispensable The Conversations: Walter Murch and the Art of Editing.

Ralph Eggleston Poster Signing
Brigadoon/Sat 2:30 PM
Meet Oscar-winning director and Pixar mainstay Ralph Eggleston, and turn your Telluride keepsake into an art-world original!

Kazuo Ishiguro Booksigning
Brigadoon/Sat 3:30 PM
The author signs his novel Never Let Me Go, named Time magazine’s best novel of 2005 and adapted for Mark Romanek’s film.

Serge Bromberg and Mont Alto Orchestra DVD Signing
Brigadoon/Sun 2:00 PM
DVDs of silent classics, signed by the impresario and the legendary ensemble.

Surprise Booksigning
Brigadoon/Sun 3:30 PM
Check your TBA listings for more information about this exciting event.

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Festival Daily Drawing
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Enter Friday for Saturday’s prize of an assortment of BUILT goodies and accessories. Pack up all you need for your trip in these fabulous bags! Also offered is a CashmereRED sweater, perfect for keeping warm on the road.

Enter Saturday for Sunday’s prize of a beautiful rug provided by Azadi Fine Rugs. Try a different way of transportation and hitch your way on a magic carpet.

Enter Sunday for Monday’s Grand Prize trip to Vegas. Flag down a friend and take them with you on the trip of a lifetime to experience the recently opened Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas—a chic, sophisticated sanctuary of modern elegance amidst the energetic lights of the “Strip.” Fly in style to the City of Lights courtesy of Southwest Airlines.

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