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**REBECCA HALL ANNOUNCED AS
2026 TELLURIDE FILM FESTIVAL GUEST DIRECTOR**

Berkeley, CA – Telluride Film Festival, presented by National Film Preserve LTD., is proud to announce acclaimed British-American actress, writer and director **Rebecca Hall** as its **2026 Guest Director**. Hall will select a series of films to present at the 53rd Telluride Film Festival, running September 4–7, 2026.

Festival organizers annually select one of the world's great film enthusiasts to join them in the creation of the Festival's program lineup. The Guest Director serves as a key collaborator in Telluride Film Festival's programming decisions, bringing new ideas, unique perspectives and overlooked films to the Festival. In keeping with Telluride Film Festival tradition, Hall's film selections, along with the rest of the Festival lineup, will remain a secret until just before Opening Day.

"Rebecca Hall is a unique and brilliant person with an extraordinary basket of gifts who embodies the magical combination we look for in a Guest Director," comments Telluride Film Festival director Julie Huntsinger. "Whether she is acting, writing or directing, her work reflects an uncommon curiosity, intelligence and generosity of spirit – and she is adventurous to boot! She approaches cinema with the same thoughtfulness that she brings to every creative endeavor, and we know her wonderful background and perspective will make her an inspired Guest Director. We are thrilled to welcome Rebecca to Telluride and can't wait to experience the films that have shaped and continue to inspire her remarkable artistic journey."

Rebecca Hall is a celebrated British-American actress, writer and director whose work spans independent films, major studio productions, television and the stage. She will next star in Adam Wingard's A24 action thriller *Onslaught* and appears in the upcoming season of Netflix's *Monster*, as well as *The Man I Love* and *The End of It*, both of which premiered at the 2026 Cannes Film Festival. Hall recently completed production on the zombie thriller *Zero Protocol* and is set to write, direct and star in *Four Days Like Sunday*.

Hall made her directorial debut with *Passing*, which premiered at the Sundance Film Festival to widespread critical acclaim and earned BAFTA nominations for Outstanding British Film and Outstanding Debut by a British Writer, Director or Producer. As an actor, she has received

Golden Globe, BAFTA, Independent Spirit, Critics' Choice, Gotham and Screen Actors Guild Award nominations for performances in films including *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, *Christine*, *Peter Hujar's Day*, *The Town*, *The Prestige*, *The Night House*, *Godzilla vs. Kong* and *Godzilla x Kong: The New Empire*. Her distinguished career also includes award-winning work in television and lauded performances on both the West End and Broadway.

"This will be my first time at Telluride," says Rebecca. "But I've been hearing tales of this annual utopian film community for years, always alongside sentences like 'the one filmmakers love the most.' Your favorite film festival's favorite film festival. The one where you get to watch more films than promote them. I always hoped I'd get to come with a film, so to get to bring 6 films feels like an incredible act of generosity on the part of the universe. I can't wait to watch all of them with you."

Past Guest Directors include Laurie Anderson, Peter Bogdanovich, John Boorman, Guillermo Cabrera Infante, Don DeLillo, Jean-Pierre Gorin, Buck Henry, Pico Iyer, Barry Jenkins, Edith Kramer, Rachel Kushner, Jonathan Lethem, Phillip Lopate, Guy Maddin, Errol Morris, Michael Ondaatje, Joshua Oppenheimer, Alexander Payne, B. Ruby Rich, Salman Rushdie, Peter Sellars, John Simon, Volker Schlöndorff, Stephen Sondheim, Bertrand Tavernier, Caetano Veloso and Slavoj Žižek.

The Guest Director program is sponsored by Turner Classic Movies (TCM). Considered throughout the industry as one of the leading authorities on classic film, the network presents great films, uncut and commercial-free, highlighting the entire spectrum of film history.

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About Telluride Film Festival

The prestigious Telluride Film Festival ranks among the world's best film festivals and is an annual gathering for film industry insiders, cinema enthusiasts, filmmakers, and critics. TFF is considered a major launching ground for the fall season's most talked-about films. Founded in 1974, Telluride Film Festival, presented in the beautiful mountain town of Telluride, Colorado, is a four-day international educational event celebrating the art of film. Telluride Film Festival's long-standing commitment is to join filmmakers and film connoisseurs together to experience great cinema. The exciting schedule, kept secret until just before Opening Day, consists of over three dozen filmmakers presenting their newest works, special Guest Director programs, major Tributes to guest artists, special events, and remarkable treasures from the past. Telluride Film Festival is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational program. Festival headquarters are in Berkeley, CA.

About Turner Classic Movies

Turner Classic Movies (TCM) is a two-time Peabody Award-winning network that presents classic films, uncut and commercial-free, from the largest film libraries in the world highlighting "Where Then Meets Now." TCM features insights from Primetime host Ben Mankiewicz along with hosts Alicia Malone, Dave Karger, Jacqueline Stewart and Eddie Muller, plus interviews with a wide range of special guests and serves as the ultimate movie lover destination. With three decades as a leading authority in classic film, TCM offers critically acclaimed series like *Two For One* and *Reframed*, along with annual programming events like 31 Days of Oscar® and Summer Under the Stars. TCM also directly connects with movie fans through popular events such as the annual TCM Classic Film Festival in Hollywood and the TCM Classic Cruise. In addition, TCM recently produced its sixth season of the wildly successful podcast "The Plot Thickens," as well as "Talking Pictures with Ben Mankiewicz," in partnership with HBO Max, currently in its third season. TCM hosts a wealth of material online at tcm.com and through the Watch TCM mobile app. Fans can also enjoy a classic movie experience on the TCM hub on HBO Max.

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