



## VIFF 2023 Fast Facts

42<sup>nd</sup> Vancouver International Film Festival  
September 28 – October 8

### This year's VIFF program features:

- 231 films
  - 138 features
    - 99 narratives
    - 39 documentaries
  - 93 shorts
    - 74 narratives
    - 19 documentaries
- 70 countries of production and of interest represented
- 76 languages represented
- 112 female and non-binary filmmakers
- 28 World Premieres
- 12 International Premieres
- 33 North American Premieres
- 56 Canadian Premieres
- 32 Canadian features
  - 20 narratives
    - 4 narratives by BC filmmakers
  - 12 documentaries
    - 7 documentaries by BC filmmakers
- 50 Canadian shorts
  - 18 shorts by BC filmmakers
- 45 Canadian works by female and non-binary filmmakers
  - 19 features
  - 26 shorts
- 7 venues
- 4168 submissions



## Film Series

- **Galas & Special Presentations:** Highly anticipated films screening in our marquee venue.
- **Showcase:** Exceptional films by revered directors, major award winners, and work that's very much of the moment.
- **Panorama:** An array of remarkable narrative films from every corner of the globe.
- **Vanguard:** Rising international talents bringing their singular visions to the screen.
- **Northern Lights:** The next wave of Canadian and Indigenous storytellers.
- **Insights:** Documentaries that change the way we see the world.
- **Spectrum:** A collection of innovative nonfiction filmmaking.
- **Portraits:** A kaleidoscope of ground-breaking artists, great performances, and cultural icons.
- **Altered States:** This is where the wild ones come out to play.
- **VIFF Short Forum:** The perspectives and approaches that are elevating short-form storytelling in Canada.
- **International Shorts:** In only minutes, these films immerse you in fully realized narratives that leave a mark.
- **MODES:** International short works that explore how far the form of cinema is capable of bending.
- **Leading Lights:** A celebrated Canadian filmmaker curates a selection of international films that influenced their artistic journey.
- **Focus:** A guest programmer embarks on a thematic exploration using cinema as their guide.