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Festival Highlights from the 4th Annual TPF

TORONTO - This year's Toronto Palestine Film Festival is taking place **September 30 - October 7** at the TIFF Bell Lightbox and the AGO Jackman Hall Theatre. Our **Media Kit and Accreditation Form** are available online on the [TPFF media page](#), and contain complete details on the films, the directors, premieres and special events.

We are proud of be presenting a wide range of films, events and guests. Some highlights from the 2011 TPF include:

- Toronto Premiere of [Pomegranates and Myrrh](#) as the **opening night** film, with lead actor [Ashraf Farah](#) in attendance.
- Debut of the **Arab World Perspectives** program featuring award winning Lebanese film [Stray Bullet](#). The film, which stars TIFF Audience Choice Award winner [Nadine Labaki](#), will be followed by a panel with the film's director [Georges Hachem](#) and Ashraf Farah.
- [Sahtain! Traditional Palestinian Brunch](#), serves a traditional Palestinian brunch catered by chef Isam Kaisi of **93 Harbord**, and is accompanied by a performance from award-winning composer, pianist and electronic musician [John Kameel Farah](#).
- **Arab Women and Media Representation Panel** featuring internationally and critically acclaimed director, writer and producer [Ruba Nadda](#) (writer/director of *Cairo Time*) and professor Nahla Abdo. Moderated by Susan Cole, entertainment editor NOW Magazine.
- The attendance of director [Kondrad Aderer](#) and journalist **May Shigenobu** for Q&As after the screening of [Enemy Alien](#) and [Children of the Revolution](#).
- **Closing Night** Screening of [Hip Hop is Bigger than the Occupation](#) followed by performances from rappers: [Shadia Mansour](#), [Mazzi](#) and [Yassine](#) at Closing Night Party at The Pilot.
- The **TPFF Art Show** of mixed media art produced by up and coming talents. The artwork will be displayed at the AGO screenings.

With 24 award-winning films – 3 Toronto premieres, 10 Canadian premieres and 10 North American premieres – TPF offers a wide range of short and feature length films on a wide range of topics (i.e., history, women, youth and art), which are explored from a unique and under-represented Palestinian perspective. The media kit provides details on this year's program and guests. TPF welcomes media inquiries for more information on the program.

The 4th annual TPF is taking place September 30 – October 7, 2011. Established in 2008, TPF celebrates film as an art form and means of expression by showcasing the vibrant heritage, resilience, and collective identity of the Palestinian people.

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