



2017 #SBIFF Cinema Vanguard Award honoring Casey Affleck and Michelle Williams

Description

Casey Affleck and Michelle Williams will be honored with SBIFF's Cinema Vanguard Award on Sunday, February 5, 2017 at the 32nd Festival. The two actors will be celebrated for their remarkable roles in Kenneth Lonergan's deeply poignant Manchester by the Sea and will be feted with a tribute at the Arlington Theatre. This announcement comes on the heels of their respective Golden Globe and Screen Actors Guild nominations for Best Actor and Best Supporting Actress.

The Cinema Vanguard Award was created in recognition of actors who have forged their own path – taking artistic risks and making a significant and unique contribution to film. Previous honorees include Rooney Mara, Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones, Martin Scorsese and Leonardo DiCaprio, Amy Adams, Jean Dujardin and Bérénice Bejo, Nicole Kidman, Christoph Waltz, Vera Farmiga, Stanley Tucci, Peter Sarsgaard, Kristin Scott Thomas, and Ryan Gosling.



Santa Barbara International Film Festival's Executive Director, Roger Durling. (Photo credit: The SB Independent)

SBIFF's Executive Director Roger Durling commented, "Throughout their respective careers, Casey and Michelle have impressed audiences with distinct, personal roles and we are excited to bring them together to honor their sublime performances in Manchester by the Sea."

The Cinema Vanguard Award honoring Casey Affleck and Michelle Williams will be held at the historic Santa Barbara Arlington Theatre, Sunday February 5, 2017 at 8:00 PM. The event will be moderated by Pete Hammond.

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