

Patty Jenkins to Receive Creative Impact, Directing, Award at Palm Springs

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VARIETY TO HONOR JENKINS AND â??10 DIRECTORS TO WATCHâ?• AT THE 2018 PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL



Variety will present director Patty Jenkins with its annual Creative Impact in Directing Award at an intimate brunch at the Palm Springs Film Festival on January 3rd. Jenkins will be the first female director to ever receive the honor, and the award will celebrate her career, from her award-winning first feature, *Monster*, to her most recent work directing Warner Bros. Picturesâ?? *Wonder Woman*. Among that filmâ??s many accolades, it was recently named one of AFIâ??s Best Films of The Year, and Jenkins and the filmâ??s star, Gal Gadot, will receive the National Board of Review Spotlight Award.

â??Patty Jenkins has directed one of the most critically acclaimed and commercially successful films of the year with *Wonder Woman*, said Variety Co-Editor in Chief, Claudia Eller. â??The film grossed $820 million worldwide and has inspired women-and men-old and young, to feel as empowered as the

superhero at its center. Patty also scored a big one for female directors, which are in short supply in Hollywood.â?•

Wonder Woman star Gal Gadot will be presenting Patty the award at the brunch. Gadot will receive the Rising Star Award at the PSIFF Film Awards Gala the evening before.

Previous recipients of this award have included Jeff Nichols, Charlie Kaufmann, David O. Russell, and Philip Seymour Hoffman.

â??10 Directors to Watchâ?•
â??10 Directors to Watchâ?• debuted in 1996 and the annual event moved to the Palm Springs International Film Festival in January 2011. â??10 Directors to Watchâ?• was the first of *Varietyâ??s* â??10 to Watchâ?• series spotlighting the most exciting new talents in the fields of directing, writing, producing, acting, cinematography and comedy.

This yearâ??s â??10 Directors to Watchâ?• include:
Adil El Arbi & Bilall Fallah â?? *Gangsta*
Augustine Frizzell â?? *Never Going Back*
Greta Gerwig â?? *Lady Bird*
Joseph Kahn â?? *Bodied*
Xavier Legrand â?? *Custody*
Carlos Lopez Estrada â?? *Blindspotting*
Anthony Maras â?? *The Palace*
Samuel Maoz â?? *Foxtrot*
Claire McCarthy â?? *Ophelia*
Chloe Zhao â?? *The Rider*

Past â??10 Directors to Watchâ?• honorees have included Ben Affleck (*Gone Baby Gone*), Wes Anderson (*Bottle Rocket*), Scott Cooper (*Crazy Heart*), Ava DuVernay (*Selma*), Barry Jenkins (*Moonlight*), Christopher Nolan (*Memento*), Sam Matt Ross (*Captain Fantastic*), Marc Webb (*500 Days of Summer*), Taylor Wood (*Nowhere Boy*) and Benh Zeitlin (*Beasts of the Southern Wild)*, among others.



PSIFF Artistic Director Michael Lerman

â??As always, weâ??re thrilled to work with Variety on their 10 Directors to Watch brunch,â?• said Michael Lerman, PSIFF Artistic Director. â??Itâ??s been a fantastic time for up-and-comers, as evidenced by both this list and our particularly strong 2018 New Voices New Visions section, and weâ??re excited to play a role in celebrating that work.â?•

The festival will screen *Bodied, Custody* and *Foxtrot* from the 10 Directors to Watch list.

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About The Palm Springs International Film Festival
The Palm Springs International Film Festival (PSIFF) is one of the largest film festivals in North America, welcoming 135,000 attendees last year for its lineup of new and celebrated international features and documentaries. The Festival is also known for its annual Film Awards Gala, a glamorous, black-tie event attended by 2,500, presented this year by American ExpressÂ® and sponsored by Cadillac and Entertainment Tonight. The Film Awards Gala honors the yearâ??s best achievements in cinema in front of and behind the camera. The celebrated list of talents who have been honored in recent years includes Ben Affleck, Javier Bardem, Cate Blanchett, Sandra Bullock, Bradley Cooper, George Clooney, Daniel Day-Lewis, Leonardo DiCaprio, Clint Eastwood, Tom Hanks, Nicole Kidman, Matthew McConaughey, Julianne Moore, Brad Pitt, Eddie Redmayne, Julia Roberts, Meryl Streep, and Reese Witherspoon.

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