



Venice Film Festival 2016: Impressive Line-Up For Golden Lion Nominations

Description

[The 73rd Venice International Film Festival](#) has been set in motion. The dates are out and the line-up has been released. The festival will pit twenty movies for the top prize named Golden Lion. From dramas to thrillers, the line-up is loaded with some power packed performances.

Venice Film Festival will kick start with the world premiere of *La La Land*. Directed by Damien Chazelle, the musical has already been the talk of the town due to the sizzling chemistry of Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone. The plot of the movie revolves around a jazz pianist who falls in love with an ambitious actress in Los Angeles.

Antoine Fuqua's *The Magnificent Seven* will be showcased before the curtain closes on the festival. The movie stars Denzel Washington in a plot set for the modern retelling of the 1960 classic about outlaws in the Old West.

Talking about the festival, director Alberto Barbera says that the focus of this year's line-up has been philosophical and existential questions that prevail in films. He says movies which steer away from brutality of reality and every day news are approached. He clarifies that the idea should not be looked upon like a sort of escapism.

Venice Film Festival Nomination Line-Up

Ana Lily Amirpour, *The Bad Batch*
 Stephane Brize, *Une Vie*
 Damien Chazelle, *La La Land*
 Derek Cianfrance, *The Light Between Oceans*
 Mariano Cohn, Gaston Duprat, *El ciudadano ilustre*
 Massimo D'Anolfi, Martina Parenti, *Spira Mirabilis*
 Lav Diaz, *The Women Who Left*
 Amat Escalante, *La region salvaje*

Tom Ford, Nocturnal Animals
Roan Johnson, Puma
Andrei Konchalovsky, Paradise
Martin Koolhoven, Brimstone
Emir Kusturica, On the Milky Road
Pablo Larrain, Jackie
Terrence Malick, Voyage of Time
Christopher Murray, El Cristo ciego
Francois Ozon, Frantz
Giuseppe Piccioni, Questi giorni
Denis Villeneuve, Arrival
Wim Wenders, Les beaux jours

The popular one among the lot, *The Light Between Oceans*, to be showcased at Venice Film Festival, is a story about a couple who help a baby that drifts away in a rowboat. The cast of the movie includes Alicia Vikander, Rachel Weisz and Michael Fassbender.

The Venice Film Festival will also be remembering the great work by two legendary film directors, Abbas Kiarostami and Michael Cimino, reported Euro News. Both the directors recently passed away. Venice Film Festival comes to a close on Sept. 10 2016.



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