



Amy Adams to Receive the Chairman's Award at Palm Springs

Description



th annual **Palm Springs International Film Festival**
Chairman's Award for her

performance in *Arrival* at its annual Film Awards

Gala. The Film Awards Gala, hosted by Mary Hart, will be held Monday, January 2 at the Palm Springs Convention Center. The Festival runs January 2-16.

"Throughout her career, Amy Adams has continuously challenged herself with complex roles," said Festival Chairman Harold Matzner. "This is reaffirmed in her most recent project, *Arrival*, where she anchors the film with an award-winning performance as a prominent linguist, Dr. Louise Banks, as she attempts to communicate with creatures in one of a dozen spacecrafts that visit Earth. It is our honor to present the Chairman's Award to Amy Adams."

Adams received the Spotlight Award in 2009 for her performance in *Doubt*, going on to receive an Academy Award® nomination. She also garnered the Ensemble Performance Award for *American Hustle* in 2014. Past recipients of the Chairman's Award include Ben Affleck, George Clooney, Richard Gere, Tom Hanks, Dustin Hoffman, Nicole Kidman and Reese Witherspoon.

When mysterious spacecrafts touch down across the globe, an elite team â?? led by expert linguist Louise Banks (Amy Adams) â?? are brought together to investigate. As mankind teeters on the verge of global war, Banks and the team race against time for answers â?? and to find them, she will take a chance that could threaten her life, and quite possibly humanity. The film is directed by Denis Villeneuve and stars Amy Adams, Jeremy Renner, Forest Whitaker and Michael Stuhlbarg.

Arrival received ten Broadcast Film Critics Association Awards including Best Picture, Best Director and Best Actress for Adams. Adams won Best Actress from the National Board of Review, which also selected *Arrival* as one of the top ten films of the year.

Amy Adams is a five-time Academy Award®-nominated and two-time Golden Globe®-winning actress. In addition to *Arrival*, her other films in 2016 were *Nocturnal Animals* and *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*. Her previous film credits include *American Hustle*, *Her*, *The Master*, *The Fighter*, *Big Eyes*, *Julie and Julia*, *Doubt*, *Enchanted*, *Junebug*, *Trouble with the Curve*, *The Muppets*, *Charlie Wilson's War*, *Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day* and *Catch Me If You Can*. Adams recently wrapped production on *Justice League Part One* and will start production on HBO's drama series *Sharp Objects*.

Previously announced honorees attending the 2017 Film Awards Gala are Casey Affleck, Tom Hanks, Nicole Kidman, Ruth Negga, the cast of *Hidden Figures* including Taraji P. Henson, Octavia Spencer, Janelle Mon  e, Kevin Costner and Jim Parsons, and the cast of *La La Land*, including Emma Stone, Ryan Gosling, and director Damien Chazelle.



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, an upscale black-tie event attended by 2,500, honoring the best achievements of the filmic year by a celebrated list of talents who, in recent years, have included Ben Affleck, Javier Bardem, Cate Blanchett, Sandra Bullock, Bradley Cooper, George Clooney, Daniel Day-Lewis, Leonardo DiCaprio, Clint Eastwood, Tom Hanks, Matthew McConaughey, Julianne Moore, Brad Pitt, Eddie Redmayne, Julia Roberts, David O. Russell, Meryl Streep, and Reese Witherspoon.

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