

Northern Ireland Student selected for Venice Days jury

## **Description**

Queen's Film Theatre (QFT) has, for the second time, had one of its movie lovers chosen to represent the UK at Europa Cinemas' 28 Times Cinema initiative. This year Steven Armour, a Queen's University graduate and former member of QFT's Takeover Film club, will represent QFT as a member of the Venice Days jury during the Venice Film Festival between 31st August – 11th September.



28 Times Cinema gives 28 young people from across Europe the opportunity to gain in-depth experience of the world famous Venice Film Festival. QFT is one of 28 cinemas from across the European Union states to be selected to send a young movie goer to spend ten days at the festival watching the Venice Days film selection and sharing their opinions and ideas.

Marion Campbell, QFT Learning Offcier said 'We are all very proud of Steven! He will represent the UK and Queen's Film Theatre during the Venice Days and watch all the films presented at Venice Days and the LUX film Prize 2016 Competition. While at the film festival, he will have the chance to meet international filmmakers and other film industry professionals and will be writing an online blog on his experiences.'

Following a tough selection process Steven was the one successful candidate selected from the UK and he is looking forward to the experience. "It's an amazing opportunity to represent the UK as part of

this year's 28 Times Cinema initiative. Cinema has been a passion of mine from a young age, and so to have this chance to attend one of the world's best film festivals is a dream come true. I can't wait to join the 27 other young cinephiles from across Europe to watch new films, work together as a jury, and write reviews, gaining invaluable experience for my future aspirations of working in film."



Susan Picken, Head of QFT recognises how important opportunities like this can be, "To have the chance to attend such a prestigious Film Festival in this way at the start of your career is priceless. The experience and the networking opportunities that this presents are not to be taken for granted and I know that Steven will make the most of every moment."

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