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29th Tokyo International Film Festival Unveils Full Lineup

Description

The Tokyo International Film Festival (TIFF) held a press conference to announce lineups in the all sections, jury members, and this yearâ??s topics and highlights at Toranomon Hills Forum in Tokyo.

From left: Daigo MATSUI, Yu AOI, Munetaka AOKI, and Mamoru HOSODA Â©2016 TIFF

Yasushi SHIINA, Director General of TIFF & TIFFCOM, made opening remarks and announced that the festival muse for this year is **Haru KUROKI**, one of the most accomplished actresses in Japan. TIFFâ??s programing directors then took the stage to introduce the lineup for each section of the 29th edition, as well as to reiterate the prior announcements of the Opening film, Stephen Frearsâ?? *Florence Foster Jenkins* and the Closing film, Yoshitaka MORIâ??s *Satoshi: A Move for Tomorrow*.

In the Competition section, 16 films were selected from among 1,502 titles from 98 countries and regions. Representing the two Japanese titles in this main competitive section, **director Daigo MATSUI and actress Yu AOI from *Japanese Girls Never Die*, and actor Munetaka AOKI from**

Snow Woman were welcomed on the stage and made remarks.

Click here for the Full Competition Lineup.

Acclaimed **director Mamoru HOSODA, who is being honored this year with â??The World of Mamoru Hosodaâ?• in the Animation Focus section**, greeted the audience after the retrospective lineup was announced. He will appear for stage talks during TIFF with such special guests as **director Hirokazu KORE-EDA** and **filmmaker Daisuke â??Diceâ?• TSUTSUMI**.

This yearâ??s International Competition Jury members were also announced. French director/writer/producer **Jean-Jacques BEINEIX will serve as President,** working with director **Hideyuki HIRAYAMA**, actor **Valerio MASTANDREA**, producer **Nicole ROCKLIN**, and director **Mabel CHEUNG**.

During the 10-day celebration, more than 200 films will be screened and there will be unique film-related events every day at the festival venues, including stage appearances, Q&A sessions and symposia featuring celebrated guests from around the world.

The 29th TIFF will take place October 25 to November 3, 2016 at Roppongi Hills, EX Theater Roppongi (Minato City) and other theaters, halls and facilities in Tokyo Metropolitan Area.

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