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SCHEDULE

NIFF 2023 Programs & Activities

MARCH 16-20

चैत्र ०२-०६

KATHMANDU 2023

काठमाडौं २०७८

QFX CIVIL MALL

QFX BHATBHATENI
BHAKTAPUR

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DAY 1 MARCH 16 THURSDAY

QFX CIVIL MALL

03:00 PM Opening ceremony (Civil Mall)
Opening film (Civil Mall)
Chari (1"31'00)
Directed by Kerin Sharma
(Nepal)
Non-competition

DAY 2 MARCH 17 FRIDAY

QFX CIVIL MALL/ BHAKTAPUR

11:00 AM **In Search of Light** (द्वाइचलाक)
(1"03'00)
Directed by Mek Bahadur Pun
(Nepal)
Nepal Panorama

12:45 PM **Fish and Puddle** (1"16'07)
Directed by Ali Barati
(Iran)
World Panorama

Trasadi (00" 24' 00)
Directed by Dipen Maharjan
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Iraq (00" 05' 00)
Directed by Asoq Pathak
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Computer ra Baisakhi (00" 5' 50)
Directed by Anil Kumar Maharjan
(Nepal)
National Shorts

03:30 PM **The Sponsor** (2"38' 00)
Directed by Pranay Limbu
(Nepal)
Nepal Panorama

07:00 PM **The Iron Digger** (00" 51' 00)
Directed by Anil Budha Magar
(Nepal)
DOCS made-in-Nepal

The Bisket Jatra of Thimi and Bode
(00" 59' 03)
Directed by Raj Basyal
(Nepal)
Docs made in Nepal

DAY 3 MARCH 18 SATURDAY

QFX CIVIL MALL/ BHAKTAPUR

11:00 AM **The Healer's Dream** (00" 15' 00)
Directed by Roxana Mares
(Canada)
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Snow Wonder (00" 44' 00)
Directed by Vicki Lin, Beibei Ma,
Maxime Jouan
(China)
DOCS @ NIFF

What (?) (00" 05' 35)
Directed by Keshab Bahadur
Rayamajhi (Nepal)
National Shorts

The Sand Game (00" 06' 50)
Directed by Mira Khadka
(Nepal)
National Shorts

01:00 PM **Courage** (1"30' 00)
Directed by Rubén Rojo Aura
(Mexico)
World Panorama

03:30 PM **The Secrets of Radha** (1"50'00)
Directed by Subarna Thapa
(Nepal)
World Panorama

06:30 PM **Aunt Lotus and Her Dream Bicycle**
(00"15' 39)
Directed by Kew Lin
(Singapore)
Shorts Live Action

Tiger's Jaw (Bagh ko Bangara)
(00" 59' 00)
Directed by Kamal Kumar,
Bidhya Chapagain
(Nepal)
DOCS made in Nepal

DAY 4 MARCH 19 SUNDAY

QFX CIVIL MALL/ BHAKTAPUR

11:00 AM **Nirmaya** (1"16'00)
Directed by Ramesh Koirala
(Nepal)
Nepal Panorama

01:15 PM **The Beach at the End of the World**
(01"28'00)
Directed by Petrus Cariry
(Brazil)
World Panorama

DAY 5 MARCH 20 MONDAY

11:00 AM **Podalirius** (00" 55' 00")
Directed by Ramazi Baranov
(Russia)
DOCS @ NIFF

Hangnand (a King who was never defeated)
(01" 10' 00")
Directed by Bijay Subba
(Nepal)
Nepal Panorama

02:00 PM **Big Trash Small Town** (00" 24' 55")
Directed by Supavit
Sirisawadwattana (Thailand)
DOCS @ NIFF

Butterfly on a Windowpane (1" 36' 00")
Directed by Sujit Bidari
(Nepal)
Nepal Panorama

DAY 5 MARCH 20 MONDAY

03:00 PM Closing ceremony (Civil Mall)
Awards' announcement (Civil Mall)

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DAY 1 MARCH 16 THURSDAY

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05:00 PM **Good Guy with a Gun** (1"48'00)
Directed by John Mossman
(United States)
World Panorama

DAY 2 MARCH 17 FRIDAY

QFX LABIM MALL

11:00 AM **Nameplate** (00"21' 01)
Directed by Jibon Shahdat
(Bangladesh)
Shorts Live Action

Aavritii (00"10' 00)
Directed by Anubhav Khati
(Nepal)
National Shorts

The Riyalists (1"09'00)
Directed by Kesang Tseten
(Nepal)
DOCS made-in-Nepal

01:30 PM **Memories of Gloomy Monsoons**
(1"36'26)
Directed by Khandaker Sumon
(Bangladesh)
World Panorama

Subedar (00" 20' 00)
Directed by Debabrata Athokpam,
Rolivin Thangjam,
Devadarshan Gurumayum
(India)
DOCS @ NIFF

04:15 PM **Chocolate and Butter Sculpture**
(1"35'00)
Directed by Yingxin Chen
(China)
World Panorama

Remnants of War (युद्धका बाँझि)
(00"13'00)
Directed by Sadin Tamang
(Nepal)
National Shorts

07:00 PM **Mentawai – Souls of the Forest**
(1"15' 00)
Directed by Joo Peter
(Indonesia)
DOCS @ NIFF

DAY 3 MARCH 18 SATURDAY

QFX LABIM MALL

11:00 AM **Urmi (Grief)** (1"12' 00)
Directed by Pranay Limbu
(Nepal)
DOCS made-in-Nepal

Mother's School (अमाको स्कूल)
(00" 14' 30)
Directed by Shuvangi Khadka
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Wheels on the Bus (00" 15' 24)
Directed by Surya Shahi
(Nepal)
National Shorts

01:30 PM **The Sleep of the Ancestors**
(00" 34'18)
Directed by Seyid Çolak
(Turkey)
DOCS @ NIFF

Sally Leapt Out of A Window Last Night (00"19'47)
Directed by Tracy Spottiswoode
(United Kingdom)
Shorts Live Action

Please Hold The Line (00" 18' 30)
Directed by Tan Ce Ding
(Malaysia)
Shorts Live Action

Murmurs of the Jungle (00" 20' 00)
Directed by Sohll Vaidya
(India)
Shorts Live Action

Closed to the Light (00" 10' 00)
Directed by Nicola Piovesan
(Italy)
Shorts Live Action

Goshta Arjunchi (00" 12' 30)
Directed by Anupam Barve
India
Shorts Live Action

04:30 PM **My Indian Boyfriend** (2"01'00)
Directed by Sri Kishore
(Hong Kong)
World Panorama

07:15 PM

Mirage (00" 16' 48)
Directed by Atefeh Salehi
(Iran)
Shorts Live Action

Borih, The Bidayuh Paddy Priestess
(00" 07' 09)
Directed by Will Kok
(Malaysia)
Shorts Animated

Blue Flower (Striving for Impossibility)
(00" 40' 00)
Directed by Sunil Babu Pant,
Pradhumna Mishra
(Nepal)
National Shorts

DAY 4 MARCH 19 SUNDAY

QFX LABIM MALL

11:00 AM **A House with No Name** (Patalghar)
(1" 50' 00)
Directed by Noor Imran
(Bangladesh)
World Panorama

01:45 PM **Morin Khuur** (00" 29' 00)
Directed by Qiang Fu
(China)
Shorts Live Action

Zibah (00" 27' 54)
Directed by Arunjit Borah
(India)
Shorts Live Action

Junko (00" 14' 59)
Directed by Minsho Limbu
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Baghthan (00" 19' 59)
Directed by Sunil Pandey
(Nepal)
National Shorts

From the West (Pachhuwa)
(00" 10' 45)
Directed by Anil Kurnie
(Nepal)
National Shorts

My Father (Mero Buwa) (00" 06' 54)
Directed by Shrisha Kunwar,
Angela Chaudhary
(Nepal)
National Shorts

04:45 PM

Naneera (01" 55' 00)
Directed by Deepanker Prakash
(India)
World Panorama

DAY 5 MARCH 20 MONDAY

QFX LABIM MALL

11:00 AM **Welcome to Gobi** (01" 30' 00)
Directed by Dapeng Hao
(China)
World Panorama

Untitled (00" 06' 41)
Directed by Parikshit Bickram Rana
(Nepal)
National Shorts

The Silent Echo (00" 16' 20)
Directed by Suman Sen
(Nepal)
National Shorts

01:45 PM **Tutku (Passion)** (00" 26' 05)
Directed by AnneMarie van Splunter
(The Netherlands)
DOCS @ NIFF

End of the Road (00" 19' 00)
Directed by Ivana Todorovic
(Serbia)
DOCS @ NIFF

Nesma from Siwa (00" 15' 26)
Directed by Marwa Mohamed
Kamel (Egypt)
DOCS @ NIFF

Drifting Clouds (00" 17' 17)
Directed by Deepa Shrestha
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Dubidha (Dilemma) (00" 20' 00)
Directed by Pradhumna Mishra
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Four Nights (00" 16' 00)
Directed by Deepak Rauniyar
(Nepal)
National Shorts

04:30 PM **Tsu** (01" 27' 13)
Directed by Ū Inose
(Japan)
World Panorama



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05:00 PM **Good Guy with a Gun** (1"48'00")
Directed by John Mossman
(United States)
World Panorama

DAY 2 MARCH 17 FRIDAY

QFX CHHAYA CENTER

11:00 AM **Open Cages** (00" 14' 56")
Directed by Yolanda Orozco
(Germany)
Shorts Live Action

Your Breakfast (00" 24' 43")
Directed by Alejandro Montero
(China)
Shorts Live Action

On / Off (00"17' 54")
Directed by Jurg Slabbert
(South Africa)
Shorts Live Action

Sorry (00" 30' 00")
Directed by Yuki Ishida
(Japan)
Shorts Live Action

The Book (00" 06' 6")
Directed by Farzad Foroughi
(Iran)
Shorts Live Action

Pinky and Papa (00" 16' 27")
Directed by Shivang Khanna
(India)
Shorts Live Action

01:45 PM **Memories of Gloomy Monsoons**
(1"36'26")
Directed by Khandaker Sumon
(Bangladesh)
World Panorama

04:30 PM **Fish and Puddle** (1"16'07")
Directed by Ali Barati
(Iran)
World Panorama

Trasadi (00" 24' 00")
Directed by Dipen Maharjan
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Iraq (00" 05' 00")
Directed by Asoq Pathak
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Computer ra Baisakhi (00" 5' 50")
Directed by Anil Kumar
Maharjan (Nepal)
National Shorts

07:15 PM **Tarlan** (01"17' 55")
Directed by Yuliyia Zakharova
(Kazakhstan)
World Panorama

DAY 3 MARCH 18 SATURDAY

QFX CHHAYA CENTER

11:00 AM **The Other Shore** (00"17'37")
Directed by Zhang Zhi Qiang
(China)
Shorts Live Action

Seedlings (00" 15' 00")
Directed by Debraj Naiya
(India)
Shorts Live Action

He's Dead Now (00"12'00")
Directed by Tarek El Sherbeny
(Egypt)
Shorts Live Action

Kina (Why) (00" 21' 42")
Directed by Sidartha Biswa
(United States)
Shorts Live Action

Metanoia (00" 08' 15")
Directed by Moran Avni
(Mexico)
Shorts Live Action

The Magic Flute (00" 26' 28")
Directed by Geordy Couturiau
(France)
Shorts Live Action

Wagro (00"09'45")
Directed by Sainath Somnath Uskaikar
(India)
Shorts Live Action

02:00 PM **Kolam** (00" 27' 47")
Directed by Saumya Sivastava
(India)
DOCS @ NIFF

**Namaste Himalaya - How a village
in Nepal opened the world to us**
(1"30'00")
Directed by Anna Baranowski,
Michael Moritz
(Germany)
DOCS @ NIFF

04:45 PM **My Indian Boyfriend** (2"01'00")
Directed by Sri Kishore
(Hong Kong)
World Panorama

07:30 PM **Tattooed Trucks of Nepal – Horn Please** (00" 39' 54)
Directed by Ron Ranson
(United States)
DOCS @ NIFF

The Women-rulers of Eurasia (The Sovereigns of Eurasia) (00" 52' 00)
Directed by Alexey Kamenskyi
(Kazakhstan)
DOCS @ NIFF

DAY 4 MARCH 19 SUNDAY

QFX CHHAYA CENTER

11:00 AM **A Haircut for the Hina Doll** (00" 29' 50)
Directed by Minoru Mizoguchi
(Japan)
Shorts Live Action

Good Night, Lily (00" 24' 24)
Directed by Peter Vulchev
(Bulgaria)
Shorts Live Action

The Sound of Dreaming (00" 28' 45)
Directed by Kalani Gaçon
(Nepal)
Shorts Live Action

Akaaran (00" 26' 0)
Directed by MS Agraj KC
(Australia)
Shorts Live Action

01:45 PM **The Legend of Goldhorn** (00" 13' 35)
Directed by Lea Vucko
(Slovenia)
Shorts Animated

The Sprayer (00" 08' 45)
Directed by Farnoosh Abedi
(Iran)
Shorts Animated

Holy Holocaust (00" 17' 32)
Directed by Osi wald,
Noa Berman-Herzberg
(Israel)
Shorts Animated

Night (00" 15' 57)
Directed by Ahmed Saleh
(Palestine)
Shorts Animated

A-Hà's Egg Cake (00" 06' 15)
Directed by Raymond Lau
(Taiwan)
Shorts Animated

Snowflakes (00" 06' 23)
Directed by Sabrina Stoll
(United States)
Shorts Animated

Marionettes (and the virtue of a lotus flower) (00" 09' 53)
Directed by Prajdnik Awasthi
(Australia)
Shorts Animation

04:00 PM **Naneera** (01" 55' 00)
Directed by Deepankar Prakash
(India)
World Panorama

DAY 5 MARCH 20 MONDAY

QFX CHHAYA CENTER

11:00 AM **Welcome to Gobi** (01" 30' 00)
Directed by Dapeng Hao
(China)
World Panorama

Untitled (00" 06' 41)
Directed by Parikshit Bickram Rana
(Nepal)
National Shorts

Subedar (00" 20' 00)
Directed by Debabrata Athokpam,
Rolivin Thangjam,
Devadarshan Gurumayum
(India)
DOCS @ NIFF

02:00 PM **Prakash** (2" 00' 00)
Directed by Dinesh Raut
(Nepal)
Nepal Panorama



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DAY 2 MARCH 17 FRIDAY

NEPAL TOURISM BOARD

11:30 AM Masterclass: Chinese Film Narrative, Understanding the World's Largest Film Market by Prof. Li Ran

Join Dean Li Ran, a film marketing and distribution expert, on a journey into the heart of China's film industry, the world's largest film market.

FREE ENTRY . ENGLISH

01:30 PM Geopolitics and Cinema भुराजनीतिमा सिनेमाको भुमिका

This panel discussion focuses on the intriguing relationship between global politics and the film industry.

FREE ENTRY . NEPALI

DAY 3 MARCH 18 SATURDAY

NEPAL TOURISM BOARD

01:30 PM हेलो हेदै कहाँ पुग्यौ? Evolution of Nepali Audience

The panel discussion focuses on the journey of Nepali cinema from its inception to the present, highlighting its significant advancements.

FREE ENTRY . NEPALI

04:30 PM Masterclass: Local Cinema with Global Exposure by Premendra Mazumder

Unravel the mysteries of the global film market in this Masterclass.

DAY 4 MARCH 19 SUNDAY

NEPAL TOURISM BOARD

11:30 AM Policy in Cinema: Gap between Advocacy and Implementation चलचित्र नीति : नीति मात्र कि व्यवहार पनि ?

The panelists will discuss the topic of advocacy of policies and their implementation in cinema.

FREE ENTRY . NEPALI

01:30 PM Masterclass: New Tendencies in Documentary Film by Prof. Etami Borjan

Join Professor Etami Borjan's Masterclass on emerging trends in documentary filmmaking.

FREE ENTRY . ENGLISH

04:30 PM Film casting; importance and implementation

चलचित्रमा कास्टिङ : महत्व र अभ्यास

Discover the crucial role of casting in film success in an exciting discussion.

FREE ENTRY . NEPALI

DAY 5 MARCH 20 MONDAY

NEPAL TOURISM BOARD

11:30 AM From Laughter to Box Office Success: The Impact of Comedy on Nepali Cinema

हँस्यव्यङ्ग्यले हँसिको नेपाली सिनेमा

In this discussion the panelists will explore the challenges of creating successful comedy films and discuss the social and cultural significance of these films.

FREE ENTRY . NEPALI

01:30 PM Mothers in Cinema: Balancing Career and Responsibility

आमा नायिका : जिम्मेवारी र करियर

In this discussion we will explore the multifaceted depictions of mothers on and off-screen.

FREE ENTRY . NEPALI