



# Hip Hop Film Festival

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## THE HIP HOP FILM FESTIVAL RETURNS AUGUST 2-5 FEATURING FILMMAKERS RAISED IN THE GLOBAL CULTURE OF HIP HOP

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New York, NY - The third edition of the award-winning Hip Hop Film Festival, presented by 247Films.tv, returns August 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 5<sup>th</sup> at the National Black Theatre. The 2018 season features over 100 filmmakers born after 1960 (the Hip Hop Cultured), who are driving the newest trends in content creation, storytelling and cinematic excellence.

This year the festival welcomes its largest class of women yet, with over 20 women who are raising the bar behind the camera, including Oscar nominee, Kimberlee Roberts, Saudi Arabian filmmaker Hanna Saleh, promising newcomer Ciara Bonaface and many others.

Melvin Van Peebles will be honored at the HHFF's closing award ceremony (The Hip Hop Oscars) Mr. Peebles will be bestowed the festival's highest honor, The Legend Award, Sunday August 5<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

The Hip Hop Film Festival' Screenwriter's Showcase, "ACT UP!" powered by FINAL DRAFT, will bring together award-winning filmmakers & screenwriters in a head to head "live read" battle where they will present their newest screenplays for the coveted title of BEST SCREENWRITER, determined by a panel of industry insiders hand-picked by Final Draft.

The HHFF TechZibit, will showcase the latest in VR narratives and the HHFF Urban Web Summit, is bigger than ever this year, bringing in the most sought-after web creators in the industry from around the world.



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The festival signature event, “Art After Dark” nightly after parties, will feature new exhibits from the culture’s most popular visual artists. This year’s theme, cultivated by The Black Medallions Artist Collective, is “MARVELoUS” an exhibition exploring the powerful images of powerful women, social justice, and comic book heroes through the lens of Hip Hop Culture.

Passes are available for all four days of the festival, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>, at [hiphopfilmfestival.eventbrite.com](http://hiphopfilmfestival.eventbrite.com).

See the daily festival schedule by visiting the site at [www.hiphopfilmfestival.com](http://www.hiphopfilmfestival.com)

The Hip Hop Film Festival is sponsored by 247films.tv, Final Draft, Harlem Brewing Company, Sideline, 1010WINS, SeekaTV, Octomobility. SAMSUNG and Revive Kombucha.

## ABOUT THE HIP HOP FILM FESTIVAL NYC

Out of over 5,000 festivals in the world, the Hip-Hop Film Festival is the only festival to focus on writers, directors and producers who grew up in the global culture of Hip Hop. This season the festival hosts over 100 directors, producers and screenwriters from the United States, France, Brazil, Saudi Arabia, Canada, the UK, Russia, Switzerland, South Africa, India, Japan, Portugal, Argentina and more. The Hip Hop Film Festival features every genre (mystery, sci-fi, horror, action, romance, etc.) of story from filmmakers who live across the world. It is also the only film festival that shares the profits from the festival with the filmmakers selected to participate.