

## 2014 TORONTO INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL SHINES SPOTLIGHT ON SEOUL WITH SIXTH ANNUAL CITY TO CITY PROGRAMME

**TORONTO** — The 39th Toronto International Film Festival looks east for the 2014 City to City programme, introducing audiences to eight daring films from Seoul, South Korea. The lineup showcases adventurous new works by contemporary Korean directors that will expose audiences to the fearless cinema emerging from the region.

Already known as a hotbed of boundary-busting and internationally acclaimed film — and contemporary arts in general — the Korean capital is home to a number of up-and-coming filmmakers poised to contribute to the future of national, regional and international cinema.

The lineup of City to City films was programmed by Cameron Bailey, Artistic Director of the Toronto International Film Festival, and Giovanna Fulvi, International Programmer for the Festival. The City to City series, now in its sixth year, focuses on the films and filmmakers from a selected international hot spot breaking new ground in cinema. Past programmes featured films from Tel Aviv, Istanbul, Buenos Aires, Mumbai and Athens.

***A Dream of Iron* (Cheol-ae-kum)** Kelvin Kyung Kun Park, South Korea/USA Canadian Premiere  
Multi-media artist Kelvin Kyung Kun Park looks back to the “heroic age” of heavy industry in 1960s South Korea and the contemporary ruins of those utopian dreams of modernity.

***A Girl at My Door* (Dohee-Ya)** July Jung, South Korea North American Premiere  
Banished to provincial purgatory after a censure for misconduct, a former star of the Seoul police force finds her maternal instincts unexpectedly awakened when she meets a troubled teenage girl. Starring Kim Sae-ron, Bae Doona and Song Sae-byuk.

***A Hard Day* (Kkeut-kka-ji-gan-da)** Kim Seong-hun, South Korea North American Premiere  
A luckless police detective becomes the target of blackmail after trying to cover up a hit-and-run in this wild neo-noir thriller. Starring Lee Sun-kyun and Cho Jin-woong.

***Alive* (Sanda)** Park Jung-bum, South Korea North American Premiere  
A simple labourer in a remote mountain village is driven to desperate measures to provide for the women in his life in this wrenching yet beautiful drama. Starring Park Jung-bum, Lee Seung-yeon, Park Myung-hoon and Shin Heat-bit.

***Cart* (Ka-teu)** Boo Ji-Young, South Korea World Premiere  
The employees of a big-box discount retail store band together when contract workers are summarily laid off. Starring Yum Jung-Ah, Moon Jeong-Hee, Kim Young-Ae, Kim Gang-Woo, Hwang Jung-Min, Chun Woo-Hee and D.O.

***Confession* (Jo-Eun-Chin-Goo-Deul)** Lee Do-yun, South Korea International Premiere  
When a faked robbery ends in tragedy, three long-time friends have their fierce loyalty to one another put to the test in this noir-ish action thriller. Starring Ji Sung, Ju Ji-hoon and Lee Kwang-soo.



**Gyeongju** Zhang Lu, South Korea

North American Premiere

In this charmingly off-kilter romantic comedy, a Beijing university professor visits the ancient Korean capital of Gyeongju on a nostalgic quest to revisit a “dirty” café painting he first saw years before, and finds an unexpected connection with the beautiful present owner of the establishment. Starring Park Hae-il and Shin Min-a.

**Scarlet Innocence** Yim Pil-sung, South Korea

World Premiere

A university professor gradually succumbing to blindness is entranced by an obsessive love in this modern-day adaptation of a classic Korean fairy tale. Starring Jung Woo-sung and Esom.

The 39th Toronto International Film Festival runs September 4 to 14, 2014.

Purchase Festival ticket packages online 24 hours a day at [tiff.net/festival](http://tiff.net/festival), by phone from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. ET daily at **416.599.TIFF** or **1.888.599.8433**, or visit the Gupta Box Office in person from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. ET daily at TIFF Bell Lightbox, Reitman Square, 350 King Street West, until August 20 while quantities last.

TIFF prefers Visa.

**Social Media:**

@TIFF\_NET

#TIFF14

#CTC

Facebook.com/TIFF

**About TIFF**

TIFF is a charitable cultural organization whose mission is to transform the way people see the world through film. An international leader in film culture, TIFF projects include the annual Toronto International Film Festival in September; TIFF Bell Lightbox, which features five cinemas, major exhibitions, and learning and entertainment facilities; and innovative national distribution program Film Circuit. The organization generates an annual economic impact of \$189 million CAD. TIFF Bell Lightbox is generously supported by contributors including Founding Sponsor Bell, the Government of Canada, the Government of Ontario, the City of Toronto, the Reitman family (Ivan Reitman, Agi Mandel and Susan Michaels), The Daniels Corporation and RBC. For more information, visit [tiff.net](http://tiff.net).

**The Toronto International Film Festival is generously supported by Lead Sponsor Bell, Major Sponsors RBC, L'Oréal Paris and Visa, and Major Supporters the Government of Ontario Telefilm Canada and the City of Toronto.**

-30-

For information, contact the Communications Department at 416.934.3200 or email [proffice@tiff.net](mailto:proffice@tiff.net).

For images visit the media site at [tiff.net/press](http://tiff.net/press).

TIFF Bell Lightbox | Reitman Square, 350 King Street West, Toronto ON Canada M5V 3X5 | T 416-599-TIFF or 1-888-599-8433 | [tiff.net](http://tiff.net)

LEAD SPONSOR



MAJOR SPONSORS



MAJOR SUPPORTERS



Charitable Registration # 11930 4541 RR0001  
©Toronto International Film Festival Inc.