

WHAT'S ON

Eighth Annual Other Venice Film Festival to showcase films, music and art that embody 'spirit' of Venice



The Eighth Annual Other Venice Film Festival will be held Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 13 through 16, with screenings at Beyond Baroque, a tribute to Venice artist William Attaway and a music video competition.

The annual festival is a community-supported event dedicated to screening films, presenting musicians and showcasing art that embody the spirit, energy and diversity of Venice, festival organizers say.

The Other Venice Film Festival was originally founded in 2003 as a platform for independent filmmakers from all over the world to come together and screen their recently completed, groundbreaking productions, festival founder Reuben De La Casas said. It is also seen as an event in which citizens of Venice Beach can experience "insightful, enlightening and engaging works

of cinematic art" and connect with Hollywood filmmakers of the future, he said.

This year's Maverick Spotlight Award will be presented to Attaway. The award is given to a "maverick" filmmaker, artist or community service person who resides in the coastal community of Venice.

The opening night event is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. Screenings will include "Work to Surf" by Allen Sarlo, and "A Day at the Pool," a documentary-style film by Ian Douglass and Eric Fulford that attempts to uncover the true origins of modern skateboarding.

A feature and short film competition will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15.

The music video competition, featuring live music by Ship of Rising Sun, is scheduled at 9 p.m. Oct. 15.

The Other Venice Film Festival will present its prestigious Abbot Spotlight Awards at 9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16. The awards are given to filmmakers who exemplify "maverick" filmmaking and embody the spirit, energy and diversity of Venice Beach. The free awards ceremony will be hosted by actress/comedian Jill Jacobson with live music by flamenco guitarist Michael Jost.

Film screenings will take place at Beyond Baroque, 681 Venice Blvd., Venice.

Opening night ticket prices are \$25 for advanced purchase or \$30 on the day of the festival. Ticket reservations for the festival screenings are available online.

For festival information, including films and screening schedules, www.othervenicefilmfestival.com.

'L'OR DES AUTRES,' which follows a mining company's arrival in a small community in Quebec, Canada, is among the films that will be screened at the Eighth Annual Other Venice Film Festival.

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