

**Champs-Élysées Film Festival reinvents its 9th edition.
AN ONLINE AND FREE FESTIVAL FROM JUNE 9 TO 16 2020.**

Following the government's announcement in the scope of the actual health crisis pandemic and in order to contribute to the common effort to fight COVID-19, **Champs-Élysées Film Festival announces the cancellation of its 9th edition in its original form.** The festival should have been held from June 16 to 23 in the Champs-Élysées avenue's theaters.

We are extremely committed to our audience and do not wish to deprive them from the best of French and American independent cinema, **therefore this year's edition will be 100% held online and free, from June 9 to 16.** Sharing our mutual passion for cinema while maintaining the special bond we have created over the years is the watchword of this 9th edition.

« *Our ambition today is to be able to present to the audience French and American independent cinema's new talents who need to be supported more than ever. In solidarity with everyone and for the first time since its creation, the festival will be available for free, in the French territory, through our official website from June 9 to 16. You will discover French premieres of feature lengths and short films that will be submitted to the vote of the audience, the Jurys, as well as many wonderful surprises !* »

Sophie Dulac, President and Founder of Champs-Élysées Film Festival

The lineup, the Jury members and other surprises will be announced mid-May.

Please note that all tickets and accreditations that have been purchased will be fully and automatically refunded via our partner Seetickets/Digitik.

The festival's team wishes to address their full support to the health care professionals and the second-line actors as well as all the people directly or indirectly affected by this unprecedented crisis the world is currently experiencing. The team is also grateful for all the artists, film industry professionals and partners for their support and kindness in the frame of the online version of the festival. This 9th edition would not have been possible without them.

Let us join forces to continue to live and share our love for cinema.

About Champs-Élysées Film Festival

One of the most important international film festival in Paris, Champs-Élysées Film Festival is the key event to discover the best of French and American independent cinema. The festival usually takes place in June throughout all the theaters of the most beautiful avenue of the world, with exclusive selection of French and American films in competition (feature length and short films), premieres and a sharp musical selection. Created by producer, distributor and exhibitor Sophie Dulac, the festival gathers over 25 000 visitors and professionals each year at the Champs-Élysées. During a week, this event brings together the heart of modern cinematographic creativity, presenting ever more audacious, exclusive and ambitious films.

