

Press Release



Leading filmmakers and actors to give inspirational talks at Marina Bay Sands

ArtScience Museum to host 6 “In Conversation With” sessions with renowned film practitioners during SGIFF

Singapore (14 November 2016) – Leading filmmakers, producers and actors from Asia and beyond will come together at ArtScience Museum at Marina Bay Sands to share the inspiration behind their craft and explore the diversity of their works as film practitioners in front of a captive audience.



Film director Darren Aronofsky to give a masterclass at ArtScience Museum on November 25



Japanese filmmaker Naomi Kawase to give a masterclass at ArtScience Museum on November 29

As part of Marina Bay Sands' museum programme **ArtScience on Screen: In Conversation With**, the integrated resort and the Singapore International Film Festival (SGIFF) are set to host a series of six dialogue sessions and masterclasses led by these industry insiders between November 25 and December 4.

The talks and masterclasses are part of the 27th edition of the Singapore International Film Festival, the leading international film platform in Southeast Asia that champions the discovery of independent cinema.

The speakers include critically-acclaimed American film director **Darren Aronofsky**, best known for his award-winning films *Pi*, *Requiem for a Dream*, and *Black Swan*; Japanese film director **Naomi Kawase**, known for her documentary and fiction works; and Golden Horse award winner and Taiwanese actor **Kai Ko**, who will be speaking alongside the director and cast of his latest film *The Road to Mandalay*, which picked up the Fedora Award for Best Film at the Venice International Film Festival.

Also taking centre stage at these series of talks are veteran Hong Kong actor and film producer **Simon Yam**, who will be receiving the Cinema Legend Award at this year's Silver Screen Awards; and Malaysian filmmaker **Ho Yuhang**, Hong Kong actress **Kara Wai** and Taiwanese pop star **Wu Bai**, who will be sharing more about their latest action film, *Mrs K*, which premieres in Singapore during the festival on 27 November.



From L-R: Hong Kong actor Simon Yam, Malaysian filmmaker Ho Yuhang, and The Road to Mandalay film director Midi Z, who will be holding dialogue sessions and masterclasses as part of ArtScience on Screen: In Conversation With

ArtScience on Screen: In Conversation With is one of the many ways Marina Bay Sands gives back to the local community. Through the integrated resort's CSR programme **Sands for Singapore**, Marina Bay Sands provides opportunities where youth and beneficiaries can gain insights into the world of film, art and culture through the eyes of leading experts and celebrities.

ArtScience on Screen made its debut in November 2015, and has since hosted the **In Conversation With** series featuring renowned talent such as actors Dev Patel, Michelle Yeoh, Choi Siwon, director Antoine Fuqua and local director Eric Khoo. The latest to star in this series are Hollywood actor and Entourage star Adrian Grenier and advertising guru Gordon Bowen.

Details of In Conversation With sessions at ArtScience Museum

Masterclass with Darren Aronofsky

Date: Friday, 25 November

Time: 3pm-4pm

In Conversation With: Masterclass with director and cast of *Mrs K*

Date: Sunday, 27 November

Time: 3pm-4pm

Masterclass with Naomi Kawase

Date: Tuesday, 29 November

Time: 7pm-8pm

Masterclass with Herman Yau

Date: Wednesday, 30 November

Time: 7pm-8pm

In Conversation With: Masterclass with director and cast of *The Road to Mandalay*

Date: Thursday, 1 December

Time: 3pm-4pm

In Conversation With: Cinema Legend, Simon Yam

Date: Sunday, 4 December

Time: 11am-12pm

All six talks will be held at ArtScience Museum, level 4, and are open to members of the public. Admission is free but participants will have to register via <http://sgiff2016.peatix.com/> and place a S\$5 refundable deposit to secure a seat at each session.

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