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Chicago South Asian Film Festival Now Accepting Submissions

In its Tenth Year, Festival Invites Entries Celebrating the Art of South Asian Cinema

CHICAGO, Tuesday, April 16, 2019 – The red carpet will roll out again for a tenth time...in tribute to South Asian films. The Chicago South Asian Film Festival (CSAFF), celebrating a decade of movie magic, is now accepting submissions. The festival will be held from Sept. 19-22 at the Showplace ICON Theater in downtown Chicago. Eligible films can be submitted on the CSAFF website:

<https://www.csaff.org/submitfilm/>

Filmmakers and movie fans shouldn't miss out on being part of this historic experience honoring South Asian films. Here are a few submission details:

- The Festival is accepting films from the following categories: Documentary Feature Film, Documentary Short Film, Fiction Feature Film and Fiction Short Film
- The Festival includes motion pictures from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Iran, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Tibet. Films from Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam have also been showcased.
- Both filmmakers and audiences may submit movie suggestions via the Festival website
- Submitted films will also be considered for the Festival Audience Awards

"It's an amazing anniversary. We can't wait for September and we're so proud to once again showcase the beauty of these films in Chicago," said Jigar Shah, Festival Manager. "Film bridges the gap between cultures and educates the world about life in foreign countries. If you can't fly there, film takes you there. We look forward to seeing this year's submissions."

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About CSAFF

The Chicago South Asian Film Festival is dedicated to fostering a diverse cinematic experience through South Asian films. The Festival was founded in 2010 and is organized by the Chicago South Asian Arts Council Inc. The Festival is held in late September and includes a stellar selection of films and guests, panel discussions, opportunities for filmmakers and film lovers to connect, musical performances, tributes to major artists and galas. In 2014, the Festival introduced the South Asian Films in America (SAFA) Awards, an Award honoring South Asian Films and Artists exclusively in Chicago. Our audience is the largest growing ethnic group in America, particularly Chicagoland, and the Festival is committed to providing a groundbreaking cinematic experience for filmmakers and moviegoers alike with the warmth and personal touch that is unique to Chicago. For more information, visit <http://www.csaff.org/>.