

Cinema Columbus Film Festival to Debut April 27-May 1

Presented by <u>CAPA</u>, in partnership with the <u>Drexel Theatre</u> and <u>Gateway Film Center</u>, and with additional support from <u>Studio 35 Cinema and Drafthouse</u>, <u>Wexner Center for the Arts</u>, and <u>Film Columbus</u>, the first-annual <u>Cinema Columbus Film Festival</u> will debut April 27-May 1, 2022, showcasing a specially curated selection of new, independent documentary, narrative, and short films.

After the 2020 cancelation of its inaugural year due to the pandemic, Cinema Columbus will debut as an independent film showcase in 2022 and will not be accepting film submissions. It is expected to evolve into a traditional film festival format in 2023.

Cinema Columbus 2022 will be coordinated by film industry professional and Columbus native Molly Kreuzman. A veteran of film festivals and a filmmaker herself, Kreuzman will connect filmmakers, venues, and central Ohio independent film fans to create an extraordinary film festival experience.

"Since moving back to Columbus, I have been so impressed with the city's growth in the depth and variety of its cultural offerings, and I'm excited to helm this event that expands that growth into the genre of independent film," stated Cinema Columbus Coordinator Molly Kreuzman. "I look forward to working with our partners and the film community to create an annual event that celebrates filmmakers and the art of filmmaking. This will also provide an opportunity for the film lovers of Columbus and

beyond to experience works that will spark curiosity, conversation, and a deeper understanding of the world through independent cinema."

Selected films, a full schedule, and details on how to purchase tickets will be announced shortly.

About Cinema Columbus Coordinator Molly Kreuzman

In her more than 20 years in the film industry, Kreuzman has served in a variety of leadership roles for the <u>Ashland Independent Film Festival</u> (Ashland, Oregon) and <u>BendFilm Festival</u> (Bend, Oregon), as well as executive director of <u>Film Southern</u> <u>Oregon</u> (local film commission) and film screener for the <u>Klamath Independent Film Festival</u> (Klamath Falls, Oregon), BendFilm, and more. In addition, she is director and producer of the internationally distributed documentary <u>Earth Seasoned... #GapYear</u> (2017) and co-producer of feature film <u>Phoenix</u>, <u>Oregon</u> (2019).

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About CAPA

Owner/operator of downtown Columbus' magnificent historic theatres (Ohio Theatre, Palace Theatre, Southern Theatre) and manager of the Riffe Center Theatre Complex, Lincoln Theatre, Drexel Theatre, Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts (New Albany, OH), and the Shubert Theater (New Haven, CT), CAPA is a non-profit, award-winning presenter of national and international performing arts and entertainment. For more information, visit www.capa.com.

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