


Breathe In to open Edinburgh International Film Festival



Award-winning director-writer Drake Doremus' moving and beautifully acted BREATHE IN will be the Opening Night film at the 67th edition of the Edinburgh International Film Festival (EIFF).

Starring Felicity Jones, Guy Pearce and Amy Ryan, BREATHE IN will have its European Premiere on Wednesday 19 June at the Festival Theatre Edinburgh with Felicity Jones and Drake Doremus in attendance. The film will open nationwide on 19 July through Curzon Film World.

Chris Fujiwara, EIFF Artistic Director, said: 'In a healthy year for American cinema, BREATHE IN is clearly a stand-out. It's an emotionally powerful, beautifully understated and intelligent work from director-writer Drake Doremus, who reveals tremendous sensitivity, style and skill. He also draws superb performances from Guy Pearce and Felicity Jones. BREATHE IN is the ideal opening film for our festival this year.'

 BREATHE IN director Drake Doremus said: 'I'm very excited that BREATHE IN has been selected to play the Edinburgh International Film Festival and to be given the opening night slot is overwhelming. I now look forward to visiting Edinburgh and celebrating not just the event but the Festival's recognition of a film I am incredibly proud of.'

As summer turns to fall, music teacher Keith Reynolds (Guy Pearce) privately reminisces about his days as a starving artist in the city. While his wife, Megan (Amy Ryan), and daughter, Lauren (Mackenzie Davis), look forward to Lauren's

final year of high school, Keith clings to those evenings he's called on to sub as a cellist with a prestigious Manhattan symphony. Megan decides the family should host a foreign exchange student. Sophie (Felicity Jones), a British high school senior, settles in comfortably, but soon challenges the family dynamics. She reinvigorates the impulsiveness of Keith's personality which ultimately pushes their seemingly perfect family into unfamiliar territory.

Writer/director Drake Doremus, winner of the 2011 Sundance Film Festival Grand Jury Prize for LIKE CRAZY, reunites with co-writer Ben York Jones and producers Jonathon Schwartz, Andrea Sperling, Steven M. Rales and Mark Roybal for this revealing family drama.

BREATHE IN will be released by Curzon Film World on 19 July. As previously announced, NOT ANOTHER HAPPY ENDING will close this year's EIFF on 30 June.

