

Film festival dates announced with details of new competition

The Edinburgh International Film Festival (EIFF) will take place from 15 to 22 August 2024, and will comprise ten feature films and ten shorts.

The festival has today announced that there will be “significant” prize money on offer for filmmakers of the best of each category. Audiences will vote for the competition winners.

The festival resumes its place in the busy August festival diary, headed by a new director creating a world class showcase for independent films and talent.

Former Acquisitions Executive Ridd is supported by an expanding Board, including Chair, Andrew Macdonald of DNA Films, producer of the iconic Edinburgh-based film *Trainspotting*; Peter Rice, former Chairman of General Entertainment at Disney and President of 21st Century Fox and Amy Jackson, producer of last year’s BAFTA award-winning indie, *Aftersun*. EIFF 2024 is supported by Screen Scotland.

EIFF Director, Paul Ridd, said: “Our new look EIFF falls in a festival month where culture is alive and vibrant in the city, and we also arrive at a point of tremendous industry growth for Scotland with a production boom of streamers, studios and independents working side by side. We are so excited to

present what we have in the works and we invite creators, industry leaders and independent film fans who want to be a part of the reimagining of a world-class festival to get in touch with the team, bookmark the EIFF website, and start planning travel to Edinburgh in August. Bring it on!”

[Submissions for the festival will open in February and the criteria will be outlined on the film festival website.](#)

