Alien to premiere at Film Festival

The latest instalment in the horror film franchise Alien will have its UK premiere in Edinburgh this summer.

Alien: Romulus will launch a new Midnight Madness strand at the relaunched 77th annual Edinburgh International Film Festival (EIFF) on 15 August.

The announcement comes 45 years after the seminal original Alien film also had a midnight UK premiere at the EIFF in 1979.

In the latest film from producer Ridley Scott and director/writer Fede Alvarez a group of young space colonisers comes face to face with the most terrifying life form in the universe while scavenging a derelict space station.

Starring Cailee Spaeny (Priscilla), David Jonsson (Rye Lane) and Spike Fern (Aftersun), it will screen at the EIFF on August 15 and will be released by 20th Century Studios in the UK and Ireland on August 16.

EIFF Director Paul Ridd said: "We are absolutely ecstatic to be the UK premiere host for this viciously entertaining new vision for the Alien franchise from one of the most exciting horror filmmakers currently working.

"Fede Alvarez brings a sense of tradition and legacy, as well as gory originality and swagger to the table, and we can think of no better way to open our Midnight Madness programme than with this showstopping new film."

Founded in 1947 when it was known as the International Festival of Documentary Films, EIFF is the world's oldest continually running film festival.



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