



Stony Brook Film Festival

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**24<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL STONY BROOK FILM FESTIVAL  
PRESENTED BY ISLAND FEDERAL  
JULY 18-27**

**THE STONY BROOK FILM FESTIVAL OPENS TOMORROW, JULY 18**

**July 17, 2019**, Stony Brook, NY – Staller Center turns into a movie lover's mecca when new independent films from nearly twenty countries screen at the Stony Brook Film Festival presented by Island Federal on evenings and weekends from Thursday, July 18 to Saturday, July 27. The popular Festival, now in its 24th year, brings a highly selective roster of diverse films, making it a favorite of moviegoers and filmmakers alike.

Produced by Staller Center for the Arts at Stony Brook University, the Festival pairs memorable short films with an array of features you won't see anywhere else. The Stony Brook Film Festival presented by Island Federal brings in filmmakers, cast, and crew who field questions after the screenings, adding a unique dimension to the experience.

**UPDATE:** There are a limited number of Film Passes left. Wednesday, July 17 (TODAY) is the last day to purchase Film Passes. Advance sale tickets for the Opening Night film, [BALLOON](#), are already closed and the standby line will begin at 7 pm on July 18.

**UPDATE:** The Stony Brook Film Festival will be offering a **Filmmaker Panel** on Wednesday, July 24 before the first film. The panel will start at 5:15 pm and it will feature the Director of **Babysplitters**, Sam Friedlander; Co-Directors of [A Scientist's Guide to Living and Dying](#), Nitzan Mager and Shachar Langley; and the Director of [In God I trust](#), Maja Zdanowski. Tom Needham will be moderating. Tom Needham is a Radio Host and creator of the *Sounds of Film*, which is the nation's longest-running film-themed radio show. For 30 years, the program has delivered a popular mix of interviews and film music.

**UPDATE:** The Paul W. Zuccaire Gallery presents THE VIEW FROM HERE: Contemporary Perspectives from Senegal in conjunction with the Stony Brook Film Festival. Please visit [ZuccaireGallery.stonybrook.edu](http://ZuccaireGallery.stonybrook.edu) for programs, events, and additional information. [THE VIEW FROM HERE: Contemporary Perspectives From Senegal](#) features nearly 50 works by 11 contemporary Senegalese artists that span a broad scope of themes.

## QUICK FACTS

**Balloon** - several of the leads and the director have all been part of the Stony Brook Film Festival before.

**ASIA A** - the writer/director actually suffered an injury similar to that in the short.

**Yao** - there is a nice tie-in between this film and the exhibit in the [Paul W. Zuccaire Art Gallery](#).

**The High Bridge** - the director is from Port Jefferson.

**Them That Follow** - Bradley Gallo, one of the producers, is from Long Island and had a film in our festival 18 years ago.

**Guest Artist** - written by and starring Jeff Daniels, directed by Timothy Busfield.

**Chuskit** - this film was shot entirely in the Himalayas with actors from the Himalayan region, and the female director, Priya Ramasubban will be at the Festival for four days.

**Babysplitters** - local talent, Eddie Alfano returns to the Stony Brook Film Festival.

**A Scientist's Guide** - female co-director, writer, co-producer and star - shot over the nine months of her actual pregnancy.

## STONY BROOK FILM FESTIVAL

**WHEN/WHERE** Thursday, July 18, through Saturday, July 27, at Staller Center for the Arts at Stony Brook University.

**TICKETS & INFORMATION** \$12; regular passes are \$90; gold passes are \$250  
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[stonybrookfilmfestival.com](http://stonybrookfilmfestival.com)

For the Stony Brook Film Festival schedule and descriptions of all films go to <https://stonybrookfilmfestival.com/films/>

## FEATURE FILM SCHEDULE

BALLOON, July 18, 8:00 pm

[MIAMOR PERDIDO](#), July 19, 7:00 pm

[CELESTE](#), July 19, 9:30 pm

[YAO](#), July 20, 4:00 pm

[SWEETHEARTS](#), July 20, 7:00 pm

[THEM THAT FOLLOW](#), July 20, 9:30 pm

[CAUSE OF DEATH](#), July 21, 4:00 pm

[THE UNORTHODOX](#), July 21, 7:00 pm

[ABOVE THE CLOUDS](#), July 21, 9:30 pm

[GUEST ARTIST](#), July 22, 7:00 pm

[LADY WINSLEY](#), July 22, 9:30 pm

[CHUSKIT](#), July 23, 7:00 pm

[MADE IN CHINA](#), July 23, 9:30 pm

BABYSPLITTERS, July 24, 7:00 pm

[A SCIENTIST'S GUIDE TO LIVING AND DYING](#), July 24, 9:30 pm

[IN GOD I TRUST](#), July 25, 7:00 pm

[THE SILENT REVOLUTION](#), July 25, 9:30 pm

[COLD CASE HAMMERSKJÖLD](#), July 26, 7:00 pm

THE PARTS YOU LOSE, July 26, 9:30 pm

[LOLA & HER BROTHERS](#), July 27, 8:00 pm

*Closing Night Awards Reception, July 27, 10:30 pm*

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