

FORTISSIMOFILMS @VENICE & TORONTO 2010



FORTISSIMO FILMS *in Venice*



Norwegian Wood ノルウェイの森

NORWEGIAN WOOD by Tran Anh Hung



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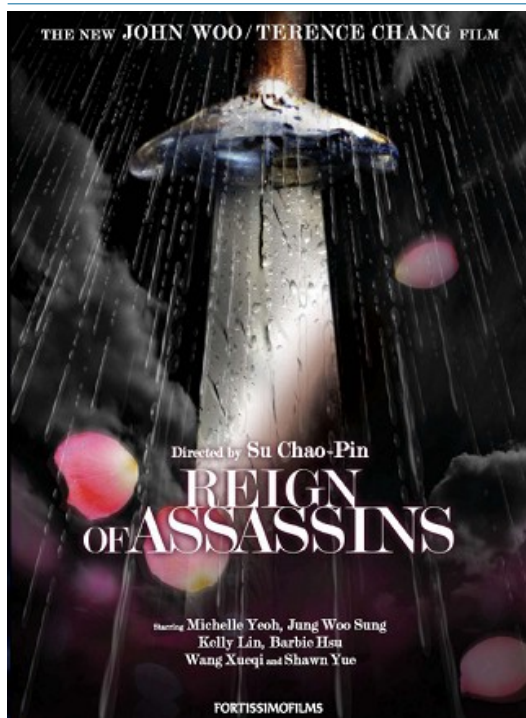
Cast: Kenichi Matsuyama (DEATH NOTE), Rinko Kikuchi (Oscar Nominee for BABEL)

Synopsis: Translated into 33 languages, Haruki Murakami's bestselling novel NORWEGIAN WOOD is a passionate story of nostalgia, loss and awakening sexuality. Tokyo, the late 1960s...Students around the world are uniting to overthrow the establishment and Watanabe, a college student deeply devoted to his first love, Naoko, a beautiful and introspective young woman. But when Midori, a girl who is everything that Naoko is not - outgoing, vivacious, supremely self-confident - marches into his life, Watanabe must choose between his past and his future.

Screenings

01 Sep (Wed)	7:15 PM	SALA PERLA	Daily Press
02 Sep (Thu)	8:30 AM	SALA DARSENA	P&I, Public
02 Sep (Thu)	9:30 PM	SALA GRANDE	World Premiere
02 Sep (Thu)	10:30 PM	PALABIENNALE	Pubblico
03 Sep (Fri)	11:00 AM	PALABIENNALE	Tutti gli Accrediti

VENICE IN COMPETITION



REIGN OF ASSASSINS by Su Chao-pin

Co-directed by John Woo



China/ Hong Kong/ Taiwan, 2010, 117', Mandarin, Martial Arts/ Action Thriller

Cast: Michelle Yeoh, Jung Woo-Sung (THE GOOD, THE BAD, THE WEIRD), Wang Xueqi (BODYGUARDS & ASSASSINS), Shawn Yue (INFERNAL AFFAIRS 1 & 2)

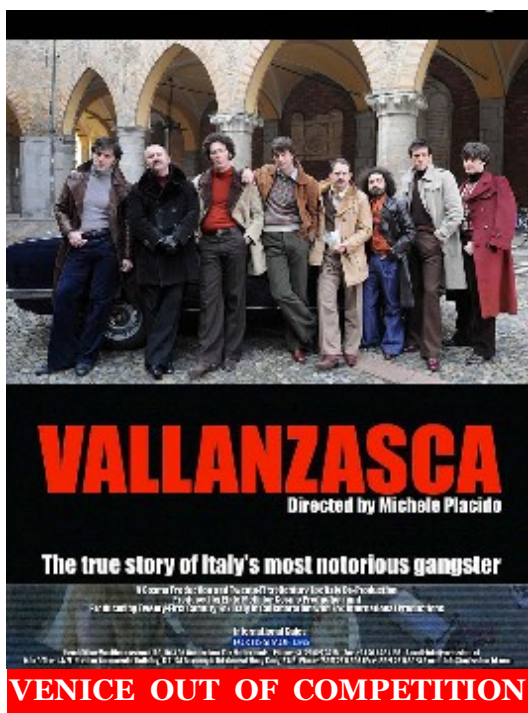
Synopsis: FACE/OFF meets MR AND MRS SMITH in ancient China - Yeoh stars as an assassin who wants to start a new life. She undergoes a procedure to alter her appearance and marries a messenger. Unaware that he also is a trained martial artist, their love blossoms and then tensions rise as the past comes back to haunt them.

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03 Sep (Fri)	8:30 AM	SALA DARSENA	P&I, Public
03 Sep (Fri)	9:30 PM	SALA GRANDE	Official Screening
03 Sep (Fri)	10:30 PM	PALABIENNALE	Pubblico
04 Sep (Sat)	10:45 AM	PALABIENNALE	Tutti gli Accrediti
05 Sep (Sun)	4:30 PM	GIORGIONE A	Pubblico

VENICE OUT OF COMPETITION

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VALLANZASCA by Michele Placido



Italy, 2010, 125', Italian, Gangster Drama

Cast: Kim Rossi Stuart (ROMANZO CRIMINALE, Roberto Benigni's PINOCCHIO), Paz Vega (SPANGLISH, SEX & LUCIA), Moritz Bleibtreu (DER BAADER MEINHOF, RUN LOLA RUN)

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Screenings

06 Sep (Mon)	9:00 AM	SALA PERLA	Daily Press
06 Sep (Mon)	11:00 AM	SALA DARSENA	Press, Industry & Public
06 Sep (Mon)	7:30 PM	SALA GRANDE	World Premiere
06 Sep (Mon)	8:30 PM	PALABIENNALE	Pubblico
07 Sep (Tue)	8:15 AM	PALABIENNALE	Tutti gli Accrediti



THE SHOCK LABYRINTH: EXTREME 3-D

by Takashi Shimizu



Japan, 2010, 89', Japanese, 3D Thriller

Cast: Yuya Yagira (Best Actor, Cannes 2004 for NOBODY KNOWS), Misako Renbutsu, Ryo Katsuji, Ai Maeda (BATTLE ROYALE 2)

Synopsis: THE SHOCK LABYRINTH: EXTREME marks Japan's first foray into the world of live-action 3-D feature films. The story follows a group of teenagers dealing with the disappearance of their friend Yuki, at an amusement park's ghost house. On a rainy day 10 years later, Yuki inexplicably returns. However, no sooner is she united with her former friends than she collapses, and the group rushes Yuki to a nearby hospital. But after checking in, they discover that things are not quite as they seem at the medical center. As the night wears on, the group sinks deeper and deeper into the events from a decade ago that led to Yuki's disappearance.

Screenings

10 Sep (Fri)	11:30 AM	SALA PERLA	Daily Press
10 Sep (Fri)	7:30 PM	SALA PERLA	Official Screening

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Directed by Tran Anh Hung
Music Score by Janny Greenwood
Screen Song by The Beatles

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

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Screenings

11 Sep (Sat)	5:30 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 1 P&I 1
12 Sep (Sun)	9:30 PM	AMC 7 Public 1
14 Sep (Tue)	3:30 PM	AMC 7 Public 2
15 Sep (Wed)	6:30 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 1 P&I 2
18 Sep (Sat)	9:00 AM	AMC 7 Public 3

GRIFF THE INVISIBLE by Leon Ford



DISCOVERY PROGRAM



OFFICIAL SELECTION 2010

Australia, 2010, 93', English, Romantic Comedy

Cast: Ryan Kwanten (HBO'S TRUE BLOOD), Maeve Dermody

Synopsis: By day, Griff is an everyday office worker. By night, Griff assumes his other identity roaming the streets protecting the vulnerable – he is the hero, *Griff the Invisible*. Concerned by Griff's eccentric behaviour, his brother attempts to draw him back into the 'real world'. He introduces Griff to Melody, an equally eccentric and charming girl. Fascinated by Griff's idiosyncrasies, which are equal only to her own, Melody begins to fall for Griff. As Griff is forced to face up to the realities of a mundane world, it is up to Melody to *Griff the Invisible* for the sake of herself, Griff and their love for each other.

Screenings

10 Sep (Fri)	9:30 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 2 Public 1
11 Sep (Sat)	4:45 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 2 P&I 1
12 Sep (Sun)	4:00 PM	AMC 6 Public 2
14 Sep (Tue)	1:45 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 7 P&I 2
19 Sep (Sun)	6:15 PM	AMC 3 Public 3

FORTISSIMO FILMS *in Toronto*



DISCOVERY PROGRAM

WASTED ON THE YOUNG directed by Ben C. Lucas

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OFFICIAL SELECTION 2010 SPECIAL MENTION

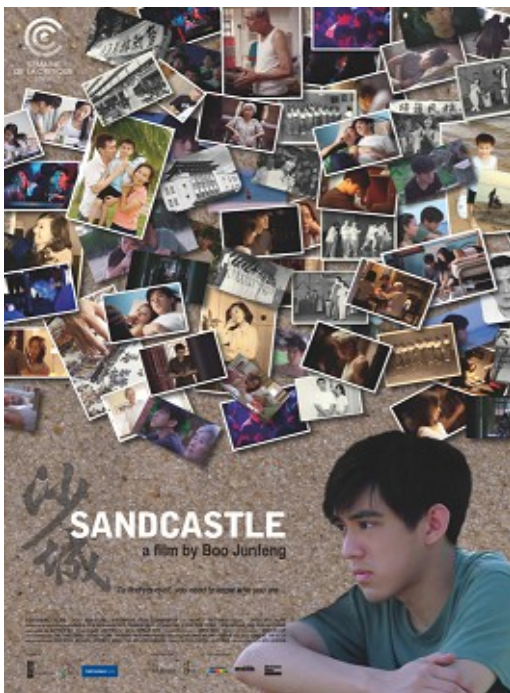
Australia, 2010, 97', English, Teen/Thriller

Cast: Oliver Ackland, Adelaide Clemens, Alex Russell

Synopsis: WASTED ON THE YOUNG is set in the socially conscious and disaffected society of an elite high school. Zack, a jock, and Darren, a geek, are step brothers who occupy opposite ends of the school hierarchy. At a party one night, Zack and his friends go too far by drugging and assaulting Darren's best friend Xandrie. This forces Darren to act, but when Xandrie makes a surprise return to school, a chain reaction of events is set off. What begins as the devastation of Xandrie's world soon threatens to trigger the implosion of the whole social hierarchy. Soon, the brothers' lives are at the mercy of the opinions of their classmates.

Screenings

09 Sep (Thu)	12:45 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 10	P&I 1
10 Sep (Fri)	7:00 PM	VARSITY 8	Public 1
11 Sep (Sat)	9:00 AM	VARSITY 8	Public 2
14 Sep (Tue)	9:45 AM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 8	P&I 2
18 Sep (Sat)	9:00 PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 2	Public 3



DISCOVERY PROGRAM

SANDCASTLE by Boo Junfeng

tiff. toronto international film festival



SEMAINE DE LA CRITIQUE CANNES

OFFICIAL SELECTION 2010

Singapore, 2010, 96', English/Mandarin/Hokkien, Teen/Drama

Producer: Eric Khoo

Cast: Joshua Tan, Elena Chia, Bobbi Chen

Synopsis: Just prior to 18-year-old En's mandatory enlistment into the Singaporean army, a series of events and disclosures threatens to alter his world view forever. The taste of his first romance, the death of his grandfather, his grandmother's worsening Alzheimer's disease, his schoolteacher mother's affair with an uptight military commander, and En's newfound awareness of his late father's student activist past all contribute to his decision to reevaluate the pieces of his life before they are erased by the tides of time.

Screenings

12 Sep (Sun)	9:30PM	SCOTIABANK THEATRE 8	P&I 1
14 Sep (Tue)	5:45PM	AMC 4	Public 1
16 Sep (Thu)	8:00PM	AMC 4	Public 2
18 Sep (Sat)	12:30PM	AMC 4	Public 3



MY JOY [SCHASTYE MOE] by Sergei Loznitsa

tiff. toronto international film festival



OFFICIAL SELECTION 2010

OFFICIAL SELECTION
FESTIVAL DE CANNES

Germany/Ukraine/Netherlands, 2010, 127', Russian, Drama

Cast: Victor Nemets, Olga Shuvalova, Vladimir Golovin

Synopsis: MY JOY tells the story of an ill-fated truck driver, Georgy, who takes a wrong turn on a highway and loses his way in the wilderness of the Russian countryside. In trying to find his way back to civilization, Georgy encounters a number of local inhabitants – a heart-broken veteran, an aggressive teenage prostitute, corrupt police officers and a mysterious Gypsy woman. It becomes a trip where brutal force and survival instincts overcome humanity and common sense as Georgy unwittingly heads towards a dead end.

Screenings

09 Sep (Thu)	12:30 PM	NFB	P & I 1
11 Sep (Sat)	6:15 PM	VARSIITY 7	Public 1
13 Sep (Mon)	2:15 PM	AMC 4	Public 2
19 Sep (Sun)	8:00 PM	JACKMAN HALL	Public 3

CONTEMPORARY
WORLD CINEMA



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12Sep(Sun)	4:00PM	Deluxe Post Production	by invitation
		(424 Adelaide Street E.)	
14Sep(Tue)	9:00AM	Varsity 1	by invitation
15Sep(Wed)	9:00AM	Varsity 1	by invitation



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