

NFFTY 2024 EDUCATOR GUIDE

Welcome to NFFTY

Thanks for your interest in NFFTY 2024! NFFTY is the world's largest and most influential film festival for emerging filmmakers age 24 and under. Now entering its 17th year, the festival offers a jam-packed four days filled with films, great speakers, parties and more. We've put together a little guide to help introduce teachers to NFFTY!



Please start off by following NFFTY on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates about the festival. And thanks for your interest! Please contact me if I can help in any way.

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PURCHASING PASSES & FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Interested in purchasing passes for your class and visiting NFFTY? We offer discounted group rates (10+) at: <https://www.nffty.org/2024-group-sales>. We're also happy to work with teachers on invoicing for those that need to pay by check. Just reach out to us at info@nffty.org. For a link to the schedule with information on screenings, panels and more, visit: <https://www.nffty.org/2017-schedule>

- Day Passes (Group): \$28/day
- 3-Day Passes (Group): \$70
- Opening Night + 3-Day (Group): \$82

PICKING UP FESTIVAL PASSES: Festival passes are available for pick up Thursday, April 25 at the Maxwell Hotel from 1pm – 3pm and the SIFF Uptown from 5pm - 6:30pm Afterwards, badges can be retrieved at Uptown Cinema for the rest of the weekend.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW & LOCATIONS

All NFFTY activities will be located near the Seattle Center campus from April 25 - 28 with screenings and discussions at the SIFF Uptown and various parties and networking in walking distance.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27 >>>

Opening Night Gala

Screening: SIFF Uptown, 511 Queen Anne Ave N, Seattle, WA 98109

After party: Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP), 325 5th Ave N, Seattle, WA 98109

- **SIFF Uptown doors open at 5:30pm, screening starts at 6:30pm. We encourage you to arrive early and identify yourself as a NFFTY 2024 Filmmaker so you can be interviewed on the red carpet.**
- **Immediately following: After Party @ MoPOP (Museum of Popular Culture):** This is located at the Seattle Center in walking distance to the SIFF Uptown Cinema and the Maxwell and the Mediterranean Inn hotels.
- Dress is smart casual; there will be plenty of photo opportunities.

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APRIL 26 - 28 >>>

UPTOWN CINEMA

511 Queen Anne Avenue North

This is the location of all screenings and the best place to get information during the rest of the festival (April 26 - 28). Staff can help you find events, recommend places to eat, and answer questions.



Friday, April 26: Speed Networking: 9:00 – 11 AM

For filmmakers with films in the festival as well as visiting students, NFFTY brings together a unique opportunity for filmmakers to network with industry professionals.

In the coming weeks, this document will be updated with festival highlights, including guest speakers, select screenings, and other engagements.

RESTAURANTS NEAR THE MEDITERRANEAN INN & UPTOWN CINEMA

You'll find plenty of vegetarian, gluten-free options and more at most Seattle restaurants.

- **Seattle Center Armory Food & Event Hall:** On the Seattle Center campus, this area offers seventeen different food vendors with plenty of setting in a large public facility.
- **Toulouse Petit:** 601 Queen Anne Ave N. - Cajun-Creole
- **Dick's Drive-In:** 500 Queen Anne Ave N. A Seattle icon: drive-in style burgers.
- **Blue Water Taco Grill:** 515 Queen Anne Ave N
- **Mecca Cafe:** 526 Queen Anne Ave N: long running diner
- **T.S. McHugh's:** 21 Mercer St. - Irish pub food.
- **Racha:** 12 Mercer St - Upscale Pan-Asian.
- **The Golden Olive:** 521 Queen Anne Ave N: Mediterranean

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ATTENDING NFFTY

WHY TAKE YOUR CLASS TO NFFTY?

Whether or not your students have a film at NFFTY, student group field trips are highly encouraged due to the educational experience that the festival can provide. Every year we bring out industry professionals that connect and speak to students and festival-goers.

“ While Sundance and other film festivals have a program for youth, NFFTY is entirely designed with the young filmmaker in mind. Filmmaking is, by necessity, a collaborative art form, so building a network is a critical first step for every young filmmaker. NFFTY gives youth the opportunity to learn from industry professionals and each other as they meet other young filmmakers from all over the world.... We routinely travel out of state to visit college programs, tour the industry, or attend film festivals. If NFFTY was on another continent, the trip would be worth it. ”

- Matt Lawrence, Film & Media Teacher, Ballard High School

TICKET PRICING

We offer discounted group rates (10+) at: <https://www.nffty.org/festival/tickets>.

OTHER LOGISTICS

- For more information on lodging, visit: <http://www.nffty.org/festival/travel-lodging>
- For information on traveling to Seattle and our venues, visit: <http://www.nffty.org/festival/bus-bike-walk>
- Please note that these pages will be updated closer to the festival without notice.

CLASSROOM VISITS

If you are interested in a classroom presentation for your students, the NFFTY team schedules visits for April about the upcoming line-up, what to expect, networking suggestions and more. We visit local classrooms [Washington] in person. We also schedule presentations via Skype and Google Hangout for our out-of-town schools! Contact outreach@nffty.org to schedule a visit. We show preview of films and can also schedule for a filmmaker to chat with a classroom. Just reach out at info@nffty.org!