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JUNE 14-18, 2017 | ABFF.COM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

9:30 AM – 10:45 AM

ELISE NEAL'S BODY BOOTCAMP

Loews Hotel Exhale Spa

Kick start your festival experience with #ABFF alumni and LOGAN actress Elise Neal who's bringing her #EliseBodyBootCamp to Miami *Separate ticket required via Eventbrite.com

11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

REGISTRATION WELCOME CENTER

Loews Hotel Americana 2

Festival Pass pick-up, information & ticket sales

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

WELCOME TO MIAMI MIXER

courtesy of Peter Lik Miami

Lik Galleries

A networking mixer for festival passholders

6:00 PM

SHUTTLE BUS PICK-UP TO OPENING NIGHT FILM

Loews Hotel Driveway

Sobe & Deco passholders only

8:00 PM

OPENING NIGHT REMARKS

presented by Hilton

Olympia Theater

8:30 PM

GIRLS TRIP (Opening Night Film)

presented by the Motion Picture

Association of America (MPAA)

Olympia Theater

Courtesy of Universal Pictures

Directed by Malcolm D. Lee

10:30 PM – 3:00 AM

OPENING NIGHT RECEPTION

River Yacht Club

Presented by Comcast Spotlight

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

7:30 AM – 8:00 PM

REGISTRATION WELCOME CENTER

Loews Hotel Americana 2

Festival Pass pick-up, information & ticket sales

8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

MASTER CLASS IN ACTING

led by actress Tasha Smith

presented by Prudential

The Gallery @ the Betsy

("Conservatory" Entrance)

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

INDUSTRY EXPO

Loews Hotel Rotunda

Stop by to meet ABFF partners, on-hand to share information about their companies' initiatives and available opportunities.

- TV One
- Atlanta Mayor's Office of Film & Entertainment

(See Industry Expo page for details)

10:00 AM – 10:00 PM

FILM SCREENINGS

Colony Theatre, MB Cinematheque & Loews Hotel

Features, Shorts, Docs & Web Series Screenings

11:00 AM

SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: STEP

followed by Q & A with the film's stars

courtesy of Fox Searchlight Pictures

MB Cinematheque

11:00 AM

SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: TALES

followed by Q & A with Irv Gotti

courtesy of BET

Colony Theatre

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

POWER LOUNGE

hosted by Cadillac (Deco passholders only)

Daily refreshments and celebrity

discussion at 3:00 pm

12 NOON

ABFF FIRST LOOK PANEL: "GIRLS TRIP - THE ANATOMY OF A SCENE"

presented by the MPAA in association with

Universal Pictures

New World Center Performance Hall

A discussion about the making of *Girls Trip*

with star Regina Hall, producer Will Packer

and director Malcolm D. Lee

12 NOON – 4:30 PM**AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSHOLDER LOUNGE**

New World Center Sun Trust Pavillion
Network with fellow attendees, and meet the official 2017 ABFF feature filmmakers at 2:00 pm, followed by complimentary Happy Hour!

1:30 PM**SPOTLIGHT ON CLASSIC CINEMA**

presented by the **Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture**
MB Cinematheque

A presentation of two films by award-winning filmmaker Madeline Madeline Anderson, the first African American woman to executive produce a nationally aired television series.

CAREERS IN ENTERTAINMENT CENTER

The Gallery @ the Betsy (Conservatory) Entrance

ABFF partners with leading media companies, organizations, unions and guilds, to host targeted workshops and tech talks to foster career development

- **1:30 PM**
TECHNOLOGY & THE FUTURE OF ENTERTAINMENT
presented by **Aspire**
- **3:30 PM**
DECODING TECH: THE NEXT GENERATION OF STEAM PROFESSIONALS
presented by **Google**

2:45 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: WHEN LOVE KILLS: THE FALICIA BLAKELY STORY**

followed by Q & A with director Tasha Smith
courtesy of **TV ONE**
Colony Theatre

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM
INDUSTRY EXPO

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- **Motion Picture Editors Guild**
- **UMC-Urban Movie Channel**
- **Black Enterprise**
(See Industry Expo page for details)

5:00 PM**THE BUSINESS OF ENTERTAINMENT**

with Mona Scott-Young
presented by **Verizon**
New World Center Performance Hall
Hear from Mona Scott-Young (Executive Producer, *Love & Hip Hop*) and learn how she has driven her career to the heights of success

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**COCKTAILS, CONVERSATION & FINANCIAL FACTS with PRUDENTIAL**

The Conservatory @ the Betsy
Join us to discuss how to manage the finances that impact your daily life and your future!

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**LINCOLN ROAD DINE AROUND**

Lincoln Road
Enjoy special discounts for ABFF passholders at participating restaurants on Miami Beaches iconic retail strip Lincoln Road.
Visit abff.com or festival app for list of restaurants and discount info.

8:00 PM**20TH ANNUAL HBO SHORT FILM COMPETITION**

Colony Theatre
An exciting night, hosted by Bevy Smith, where five short films screen in competition for the HBO Short Film Award and a \$10,000 cash prize

10:30 PM – 3:00 AM**ABFF WHITE PARTY**

Nikki Beach
Attire: White, Miami Chic

FRIDAY, JUNE 16**7:30 AM – 5:30 PM****REGISTRATION WELCOME CENTER**

Loews Hotel Americana 2
Festival pass pick-up, information & ticket sales

8:00 AM – 11:00 AM**MASTER CLASS IN PACKAGING YOUR TV SHOW IDEA**

led by Karen Horne, NBC Entertainment & Universal Television
presented by **Prudential**
The Gallery @ the Betsy
("Conservatory" Entrance)

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**INDUSTRY EXPO****Loews Hotel Rotunda**

Stop by to meet ABFF partners, on-hand to share information about their companies' initiatives and available opportunities.

- **Turner**
- **Jaro Media Services**
(See Industry Expo page for details)

10:00 AM – 10:00 PM**FILM SCREENINGS**

Colony Theatre, MB Cinematheque, & Loews Hotel
Features, Shorts, Docs & Web Series Screenings

10:00 AM – 6:00 PM**ABFF STYLE LOUNGE**

presented by **SheaMoisture**
Loews Hotel Cowrie 2
Stop by for pampering, touch-ups and grooming before your next event

11:00 AM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: SNOWFALL**

followed by Q & A with John Singleton
courtesy of **FX**
Colony Theatre

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM**POWER LOUNGE**

hosted by **Cadillac** (Deco passholders only)
Daily refreshments and discussion with actors Jessie T. Usher and Erica Ash from *Survivor's Remorse* at 3:00 pm

12 NOON**CELEBRITY SCENE STEALERS**

presented by **TV ONE**
New World Center
A dynamic event where Boris Kodjoe, Nicole Ari Parker, Lil Mama, Lance Gross, Tami Roman and Lisa Wu perform scenes from TV One's annual screenplay competition, where one talented writer wins the opportunity to have their movie made by TV One

12 NOON – 4:30 PM**AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSHOLDER LOUNGE**

New World Center Sun Trust Pavillion
Network with fellow attendees, and meet the official 2017 ABFF documentary filmmakers at 2:00 pm, followed by complimentary Happy Hour!

1:45 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: LA 92**

followed by Q & A with producer Jonathan Chinn and ABFF Founder Jeff Friday
courtesy of **Lightbox & National Geographic**
MB Cinematheque

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- **2:00 PM**
Turner presents...
A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A DEVELOPMENT EXECUTIVE
followed by
TALENT RECRUITMENT & DEVELOPMENT AT CNN

3:00 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: DOWNSIZED**

(World Premiere)
followed by Q & A with cast members Boris Kodjoe and Nicole Ari Parker
courtesy of **TV ONE**
Colony Theatre

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM**INDUSTRY EXPO**

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- **HBO**
- **Comcast NBCUniversal**
(See Industry Expo page for details)

5:00 PM**THE BUSINESS OF ENTERTAINMENT WITH TERENCE HOWARD**

presented by **Verizon**
New World Center
Learn things about this multi-talented artist (*Empire, Ray, Hustle & Flow*) that you never knew, as he provides insight into his journey and the business

5:00 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: 90 DAYS**

followed by Q & A with directors Nathan Hale Williams, Jennia Fredrique Aponte and cast members
courtesy of **AIDS Healthcare Foundation**
MB Cinematheque

6:00 PM

HBO presents...

THE DEFIANT ONES

followed by Q & A with Lucinda Martinez, SVP, Multicultural & International Marketing, HBO Colony Theatre

The first of a four-part documentary series that tells the true story of the unlikely and wildly successful partnership of Dr. Dre and Jimmy Iovine. Premieres July 9 on HBO.

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8:45 PM**HBO SHORT FILMS — ENCORE SCREENING**

Colony Theatre

9:00 PM**ABFF COMEDY WINGS COMPETITION**

presented by HBO

New World Center

A hilarious night of comedy hosted by Yvonne Orji (*Insecure*). Five of the funniest new comics battle it out to take home the 2017 Comedy Wings "Winner" title.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17**7:30 AM – 5:30 PM****REGISTRATION WELCOME CENTER**

Loews Hotel Americana 2

Passholder pick-up, information and ticket sales

8:00 AM – 11:00 AM**MASTER CLASS IN PRODUCING**

presented by Prudential

led by Stephanie Allain (*Dear White People*, *Beyond the Lights*, *Hustle & Flow*, *Muppets from Space*)

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Colony Theatre, MB Cinematheque,

& Lowes Hotel

Features, Shorts, Docs & Web Series Screenings

10:30 AM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING:****BIGGIE: THE LIFE OF NOTORIOUS B.I.G.**

followed by Q & A with Faith Evans

courtesy of A+E Networks

Colony Theatre

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM**POWER LOUNGE**

hosted by Cadillac (Deco passholders only)

Daily refreshments and celebrity discussion at 3:00 pm

11:30 AM**THE VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE**

MB Cinematheque

A curated presentation of immersive VR/360 films followed by a talkback with filmmakers and VR experts on the convergence of technology, media and entertainment.

The event will be produced in association with award winning alum Alton Glass (Glassrock Entertainment).

12 NOON**PANEL DISCUSSION "THE NEW FACES OF TV"**

Moderated by Dondre Whitfield

presented by American Airlines

New World Center Performance Hall

Meet the stars of some of TV's most successful shows featuring Dawn Lyen-Gardner (*Queen Sugar*), Merle Dandridge (*Greenleaf*), DeWanda Wise (*She's Gotta Have It*), Jessie T. Usher (*Survivor's Remorse*) and more

12 NOON – 4:30 PM**AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSHOLDER LOUNGE**

New World Center Sun Trust Pavillion

Network with fellow attendees and meet the official 2017 ABFF web creators, short and emerging filmmakers at 2:00 pm, followed by complimentary Happy Hour!

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- **1:30 PM**

PRODUCING NETWORK SPECIALS & ORIGINAL PROGRAMMING

featuring Jesse Collins, Founder & CEO,

Jesse Collins Entertainment

presented by BET

- **3:30 PM**

COMPOSING MUSIC FOR FILM & TV WORKSHOP

presented by ASCAP

2:30 PM**SPOTLIGHT ON WOMEN IN CINEMA**

Sponsored by Facebook

in association with Daughters of Eve Media

MB Cinematheque

Meet filmmaker Tracy Heather Strain and learn about her latest project on Lorraine Hansberry

2:30 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: CLAWS**

followed by a Q & A with Karrueche Tran,

Judy Reyes, and Janine Sherman-Barrois

courtesy of Turner

Colony Theatre

4:00 PM**THE BUSINESS OF ENTERTAINMENT**

with JOHN SINGLETON

presented by Verizon

New World Center

John Singleton discusses Hollywood

and his upcoming project *Snowfall*

5:30 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: QUEEN SUGAR**

(Season 2 Premiere)

followed by a Q & A with cast members

Dawn Lyen-Gardner, Kofi Siriboe,

Rutina Wesley, Omar J. Dorsey, Tina Lifford,

Nicholas L. Ashe and Dondre Whitfield

courtesy of OWN

Colony Theatre

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8:00 PM**SPOTLIGHT SCREENING: INSECURE**

(Season 2 Premiere)

followed by a Q & A with Issa Rae and Yvonne Orji

courtesy of HBO

Colony Theatre

9:15 PM

ALL EYEZ ON ME (Closing Night Film)

Courtesy of Lionsgate, Codeblack Films

and Morgan Creek Productions

Regal Cinemas

11:00 PM – 3:00 AM**CLOSING NIGHT PARTY**

The Paris Theater

SUNDAY, JUNE 18**10:00 AM – 11:30 AM****ABFF FILMMAKER AWARDS PRESENTATION**

hosted by Chris Spencer

New World Center

The final moment to celebrate the 2017 filmmakers: the highly anticipated film and talent competition winners are announced, within a relaxed and celebratory setting.

3:00 PM – 10:00 PM**ABFF COMMUNITY DAY**

Little Haiti Cultural Complex

ABFF, in partnership with Greater Miami

Convention & Visitors Bureau presents a selection of dynamic films including *Downsized*, *Step* and youth

films *Prodigal Son*, *Full Circle*, *Rumors & Regrets*, all for the local community to enjoy!