

23rd VANCOUVER
QUEER FILM
FESTIVAL
AUGUST 11-21, 2011



Vancouver Queer Film Festival BACKGROUND

- **2011 is the 23rd Annual Vancouver Queer Film Festival.**
The Vancouver Out On Screen Film Society (Out On Screen) began as a small, community-based film festival in 1989. Out On Screen has evolved to an organization with key program initiatives like Out in Schools, which brings anti-homophobia workshops to schools across British Columbia.
- **Vancouver Queer Film Festival is Vancouver's 2nd largest film festival.**
With more than of 13,000 attendees, the Vancouver Queer Film Festival is the largest queer arts event in Western Canada. The festival places an emphasis on:
 - Innovation – first queer art festival with a custom iPhone app designed by Creative B'stro
 - Audience experience – live performances, workshops, artist talks, receptions and networking events
 - Queer Celebration – VQFF recognizes local and international queer artists, social issues and history
- **Vancouver Queer Film Festival introduces 'Celebrate Queer Vancouver'.**
A partnership with Vancouver Queer Film Festival and Vancouver 125 - queer art comes to the streets of Vancouver. From July 21 to August 21 celebrations across the city will include film presentations, community dialogues, a live auction, and public art plaques honouring queer 'chosen families'.
- **Experience the best of queer cinema in venues across the city.**
Vancouver Queer Film Festival is pleased to showcase this year's film selections at Cineplex Odeon International Village, Empire Granville 7 Cinemas, Vancity Theatre, Emily Carr University and for the first time, East Vancouver's Rio Theatre.
- **Vancouver Queer Film Festival offers several ways to celebrate and advance Queer Culture; screenings, fundraisers and galas.**
 - **July 14** Tickets go on sale for Vancouver Queer Film Festival
 - **July 21** Celebrate Queer Vancouver Launch & Auction
 - **August 11 -21** Vancouver Queer Film Festival 2011

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