

Syria Film Festival returns this Friday

After a two-year hiatus, Syria Film Festival returns to Toronto this Friday. 9 films will be screened over 3 nights at the Royal Cinema

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Founded in 2015, the [Syria Film Festival](#) in Toronto (SYFF) is a volunteer-run, not-for-profit organization with a mission to bring Syrian cinema and culture to Toronto through screening Syria-related films of all genres.

SYFF returns after a two-year hiatus for a sixth installment from November 4 to 6, 2022. All screenings will start at 6:30 pm and will take place at the Royal Cinema in Toronto.

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This year's opening feature documentary, Wissam Tanios's *We Are From There*, follows two brothers in their mid-20s as they take a leap of faith and part ways to start a new life from scratch.

A Q&A with Milad Khawam, a trumpet player, producer, and composer based in Berlin, and one of the brothers featured in the movie will follow the screening.

Screening on the second night of the festival is Alejandra Alcala's documentary *The Neighborhood Storyteller*, the story of Asmaa, a young and education-deprived Syrian woman embarking on a new read-aloud project to empower teenage girls to build a future of

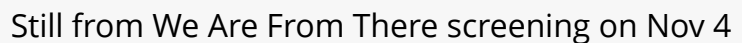
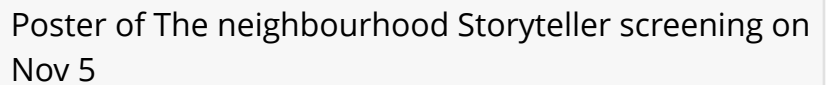


The logo of SYFF 2022

Asmaa's project is supported by [We Love Reading](#), an international initiative that aims to catalyze long-term cultural change through reading and skill development.

The [full program](#) can be viewed here: <https://www.syff.ca/syff2022>, tickets are \$15 per screening and are available through this link: <https://SYFF2022.eventbrite.ca>

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