



OUT IN AFRICA

The South African Gay & Lesbian Film Festival

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FREE ENTRY

Apostles of Civilised Vice

Dir: Zackie Achmat
South Africa • 1999 • 104min

South Africa may now have a constitution that enshrines the rights of gays and lesbians, but it was not always so. In this irreverent but historically accurate document, Achmat unpacks the little known, inexorably tangled, tragic and often ironic queer history of South Africa.

It resets the landscape through interviews with present day activists Phumi Mtetwa, Kevan Botha, Beverley Myburgh, Edwin Cameron and OIA's Theresa Raizenberg, and re-enacted historical vignettes: the 'gay' affair of Dr James Barry and Lord Charles Somerset, mock-marriages between allegedly heterosexual miners, a tea party attended by Dr Louis Leipoldt, and the pre-equality gay culture in District Six, among many others. An important film, cunningly presented, endlessly revealing, it reclaims and rewrites the place of gays and lesbians in history, presenting a new one that is celebrated, not criminalised or marginalised.

Courtesy of the Director



Family

Dir: Faith Trimel USA • 2008 • 109min

A group of 30-something lesbians, friends through much already, make a pact to finally come out. The idea is greeted with varying degrees of enthusiasm but, after a series of eye-opening incidents that throw the effects of not coming out into sharp relief, they go to it with surprising results. The film's spirit rises from the breadth of lesbian experience on

show – from the butch basketball sports star with the homophobic agent to the shy doctor with the evangelical family to the actress to the hot, curvy hairdresser (with the, er, boyfriend) – and the sense of fun, humour and family that ultimately holds the women together.

Courtesy of the Director

Noah's Arc Jumping the Broom

Dir: Patrik-Ian Polk USA • 2008 • 101min

The buffed, beautiful, sometimes bad, black boys are back! Polk's feature-length film, with all the familiar characters of the successful television series of the same name, reaches a finale when all the boys go off to Martha's Vineyard to attend Noah's wedding. Planned to the last detail, nothing goes according to plan when a surprise guest, a closeted superstar and a nasty little secret drop in, all of which threaten to rock the household's already shaky foundations. It's an updated *Longtime Companion*, liberally peppered with elements of *Peter's Friends*, *Boy's in The Band* and even *The Big Chill* as the men, brought together in a large house over one weekend, explore issues of marriage, HIV, relationships, infidelity, commitment – the whole nine yards.

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2009 GLAAD Media Award – Outstanding Film, Limited Release.



Beautiful Contradictions

Dir: Fanney Tsimong South Africa • 2009 • 24min

Smooth, successful, and yet so conflicted, Tony Nkosi is trying to work, albeit fruitlessly, through his inner turmoil where cultural and familial expectations conflict with emotional and physical needs. He tells his shrink, Dr Stacey, that he doesn't date men, and yet he can neither let his shag-buddie Thabo go nor give him the emotional commitment he needs.

In His Image

Dir: Ofentse Gcwabe South Africa • 2008 • 13min

Despite having one of the most liberal societies on earth, some factions of this society have refused to abide by the ideals outlined in the Constitution, and continue to vilify gays and lesbians in their midst, justified by their interpretation of God's word. The filmmakers speak to the naysayers and the preachers that spread their homophobic word, and the victims and the preachers who toil daily 'In His name' to undo this damage.



Jacaranda Sunrise

Dir: Beverley Gurwicz South Africa • 2008 • 12min

A short 'n' sweet, fresh view of Jozi street life and a curious friendship. A former driver in more prosperous times, Jerry now spends his days on his corner, watching the cars and looking out for sex worker Bongani and recording the names of her clients. Despite Bongani taking care of her 'manager', Jerry knows that the street can be a dangerous place, and her days are numbered.

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Behind the Mask, through journalistic activism, strives to mainstream lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, and intersex (LGBTI) interests and to change negative attitudes towards homosexuality and same sex traditions in Africa.

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The Lesbian and Gay Equality Project [LGEP] is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation that works towards achieving full legal and social equality for lesbian and gay people in South Africa.



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FEW works to articulate, advance, protect and promote the rights of black lesbian, bisexual and transgender women in South Africa.

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SCHEDULE

FRIDAY 19 MARCH	7pm	In His Image
FRIDAY 19 MARCH	7:15pm	Apostles of Civilised Vice
SATURDAY 20 MARCH	5pm	Jacaranda Sunrise
SATURDAY 20 MARCH	5:15pm 7pm – 9pm	Family Community Braai
SATURDAY 20 MARCH	9pm	Beautiful Contradictions
SATURDAY 20 MARCH	9:15pm	Noah's Arc – Jumping The Broom