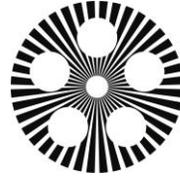


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UPDATED JULY 11: screening of *After Hours* rescheduled for Friday, July 19

Governors Island and Film at Lincoln Center Announce Free Summer Screenings for 2019

In partnership with Film at Lincoln Center, series to feature three outdoor screenings under the theme “Escape in New York,” all inspired by New York City

Beer garden, food and music begins at 6pm, with program and screening kicking off at dusk

*“A relaxing, uncrowded and smartly-curated night under the stars, with movies that nicely complement the great city views.”—Mekado Murphy, staff movies editor for *The New York Times**

June 5, 2019 – The Trust for Governors Island and Film at Lincoln Center announced today its lineup of free outdoor movie screenings for the 2019 season. For its second year, Film at Lincoln Center will curate three outdoor screenings throughout the season, inspired by the city we all call home. This year’s outdoor film series will take place on the Island’s historic Parade Ground, an eight-acre lawn with expansive open views of Lower Manhattan. The series will be produced by Rooftop Films.

The films featured in this year’s edition of “Escape in New York” celebrate all the ways in which our city, like cinema itself, provides visitors, new arrivals, and lifelong residents alike with infinite avenues of escape: from the humdrum routines of a straitlaced existence, from the frustrations and indignities of childhood, and from the pain of one’s own past. This season’s series will kick off with a screening of *School of Rock* on Friday, June 14. Other films to be showcased include Martin Scorsese’s dark comedy classic *After Hours* and Michel Gondry’s *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*, each paired with an independent short film by a local filmmaker selected by Film at Lincoln Center’s programming team.

“In 2018, our inaugural film series presented in partnership with Film at Lincoln Center was a huge success, giving new audiences the opportunity to spend evenings on Governors Island, experiencing in iconic NYC films with the iconic skyline of Lower Manhattan as a backdrop,” said **Meredith Johnson, VP of Arts and Culture at the Trust for Governors Island**. “We are thrilled to dive into year two of this landmark series, solidifying the Island and the center of New York Harbor as the best place in the city to watch a movie under the stars.”

“As part of our 50th anniversary celebrations in 2019, we are offering a variety of exciting summertime Film at Lincoln Center events, and we’re delighted that our continuing series of outdoor screenings at Governors Island can be part of these celebrations,” said **Lesli Klainberg, Executive Director of Film at Lincoln Center**. “These free events recall the origins of our organization, when we produced Films in the Parks, outdoor screenings around the city in the 1970s. We’re thrilled to again work with the Governors Island team, and we expect to build upon the excitement we created last year with this new slate of films.”

Screenings will be free and open to the public with pre-show entertainment including a DJ kicking off at 6pm and the films beginning at dusk. Food and drinks will be available for purchase at each screening, including a beer garden by Threes Brewing, food by Makina Café, Gary's Steaks, People's Pops, Melt Bakery and more.

During outdoor screenings, evening ferry service will run from Battery Maritime Building in Lower Manhattan, located at 10 South Street, departing Lower Manhattan at 5:30, 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30pm. Ferries will return to Lower Manhattan from Soissons Landing at 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00pm.

Updated Schedule

(Rescheduled from July 12) July 19: **After Hours** (Martin Scorsese, 1985, 98m), preceded by **Ada** (Eleanore Pienta, 2018, 11m)

August 9: **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (Michel Gondry, 2004, 108m), preceded by **To the Unknown** (Michael Almercyda, 2018, 6m)

Governors Island is open every day from May 1 through October 31. On weekdays, the Island is open from 10am to 6pm. On weekends and holidays, the Island is open from 10am to 7pm. On Friday and Saturday evenings between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend, the Island will be open until 10pm.

For more information on the lineup, visit govisland.org and filmlinc.org.

About Film at Lincoln Center

Film at Lincoln Center is dedicated to supporting the art and elevating the craft of cinema and enriching film culture.

Film at Lincoln Center fulfills its mission through the programming of festivals, series, retrospectives, and new releases; the publication of Film Comment; the presentation of podcasts, talks, and special events; the creation and implementation of Artist Initiatives; and our Film in Education curriculum and screenings. Since its founding in 1969, this nonprofit organization has brought the celebration of American and international film to the world-renowned arts complex Lincoln Center, making the discussion and appreciation of cinema accessible to a broad audience, and ensuring that it remains an essential art form for years to come.

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About the Trust for Governors Island

The Trust for Governors Island is the nonprofit corporation created by the City of New York that is responsible for the redevelopment and operation of 150 acres of Governors Island. The Trust's mission is to transform Governors Island into a vibrant resource for New York City, making this island at the center of New York Harbor a destination with extraordinary public open space, as well as educational, not-for-profit and commercial facilities.

For more information, visit www.govisland.org.

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