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SATURDAY, OCT 5

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SUNDAY, OCT 6

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3 PM	Griffin in Summer +Q&A 2:15 PM	Eleanor of Aquitaine Script Reading 2:00 PM	
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5 PM	Eephus 5:00 PM	Emily Hubley Retrospective + Q&A 5:15 PM	Shorts Block 2: Grown-Up Problems 4:15 PM
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Roxy T1



Roxy T2



Roxy T3



Roxy Annex

DEAR FRIEND,

Welcome to the tenth annual Montana Film Festival, presented by the Roxy Theater and the Montana Film Office.

Ten years is a milestone. So it's only fitting that this year we're presenting ten new feature films, plus a vast array of short films. We're proud of the variety of our offerings, from cutting-edge animations like **Boys Go to Jupiter** and **In Dreams**, to bold new takes on the Western like **Bleach Bone** and **National Anthem**, to independent comedies **Griffin in Summer**, **Eephus**, and **Rap World**. Whoever you are, wherever your passions lie, there's something for you at MTFF.

We're also proud to be welcoming so many "MTFF veterans" back to the Roxy this year. **Bitterroot** began its public life at a screenplay reading at the fifth MTFF in 2019; now a Tribeca award-winner, writer/director Vera Brunner-Sung returns to celebrate its Montana premiere with us. Morissa Maltz's *The Unknown Country* was a triumph in 2022—just two years later she brings us her follow-up, the soaring and heartfelt **Jazzy**. We are also thrilled to welcome back animation legend Emily Hubley, whose gorgeous films played at the very first MTFF back in 2015. Angalis Field, Devon Wycoff, Harris Doran, Jennings Barmore, Joel Potrykus... the list of filmmakers whose work has played MTFF before goes on and on. It means so much to us that MTFF is a place to which filmmakers want to return, a place that feels like home to those who make films and those who love them.

As we enter our second decade, we can't forget that we stand upon the shoulders of those who have come before us—founders Aaron Roos and Andrew Rizzo, and stewards of their vision Alana Waksman, Marshall Granger, and Carrie Richer. We are forever grateful for all they've done to make this festival the essential moviegoing event it's become.

Thank you for joining us in Big Screen Country. Here's to ten more years.

With love,

TEAM MTFF

SPECIAL EVENTS

OPENING NIGHT GATHERING

Thursday, October 3
Missoula Art Museum
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Open to all MTFF audiences

MTFF SOCIAL

Friday, October 4
The Roxy Lounge
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Open to all MTFF audiences

PA TRAINING COURSE WITH MEDIA TRAINING CENTER

Saturday, October 5 – Sunday, October 6
The Roxy Theater
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Open to registrants

YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD:
APPLYING FOR THE BIG SKY FILM GRANT

Saturday, October 5
The Roxy Theater
1:00 PM
Open to all MTFF audiences and filmmakers

HIP STRIP SOIRÉE

Saturday, October 5
Clyde Coffee, 741 S Higgins (across from the Roxy)
9:30 PM – 11:30 PM
Open to all MTFF audiences

ELEANOR OF AQUITAINE,
AN ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY READING

Sunday, October 6
The Roxy Theater
2:00 PM
Open to all MTFF audiences, free, ticket required

PASSES & TICKETS

ALL-ACCESS PASS: \$60

SINGLE TICKETS: \$10

STUDENT/SENIOR/MILITARY TICKETS: \$9

STAR & GALAXY MEMBER TICKETS: \$8

COSMIC & SUPERNOVA MEMBER TICKETS: \$6

Purchase tickets at The Roxy Theater box office, TheRoxyTheater.org, or MontanaFilmFestival.org.

The Roxy Theater box office is open a half-hour before showtimes each day.

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FEATURE FILM SELECTIONS



BITTERROOT 85 MIN

Dir. Vera Brunner-Sung
Prod. YEEJ, Kazua Melissa Vang,
Ki Jin Kim, Karin Chien, Giulia Caruso
Oct 4 @ 5:15 PM + Q&A
Oct 5 @ 2:15 PM + Q&A

A Hmong man in western Montana hides the truth about his lost job and failed marriage from his mother. When she suddenly falls ill, he must finally reckon with his painful past to save them both.



BOYS GO TO JUPITER 88 MIN

Dir. Julian Glander
Oct 4 @ 5:45 PM + Virtual Q&A

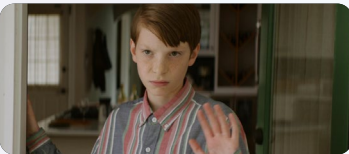
A teenager in suburban Florida desperately hustles to make \$5,000 in this dreamy and surreal animated coming-of-age story.



EEPHUS 98 MIN

Dir. Carson Lund
Prod. Michael Bast
Oct 6 @ 5:00 PM

As an imminent construction project looms over their beloved small-town baseball field, a pair of New England rec-league teams face off for the last time. Tensions flare up and ceremonial laughs are shared as an era of camaraderie and escapism fades into an uncertain future.



GRIFFIN IN SUMMER 93 MIN

Dir. Nicholas Colia
Feat. Everett Blunck
Oct 5 @ 7:15 PM + Q&A
Oct 6 @ 2:15 PM + Q&A

Fourteen-year-old Griffin Nafly is the most ambitious playwright of his generation. But once he meets handsome twenty-five-year-old handyman Brad, his life (and play) will never be the same.



IN THE SUMMERS 98 MIN

Dir. Alessandra Lacorazza
Oct 3 @ 5:15 PM
Oct 5 @ 7:45 PM

On a journey that spans the formative years of their lives, two sisters navigate their loving but volatile father during their yearly summer visits to his home in Las Cruces, New Mexico.



JAZZY 86 MIN

Dir. Morrisa Maltz
Oct 3 @ 7:30 PM
Oct 5 @ 5:15 PM

Shot over a period of six years by Morrisa Maltz (The Unknown Country), Jazzy is a portrait of Jasmine Bearkiller Shangreaux and her best friend Syria as their peer group shifts, changes, and leaves the dreamlike world of childhood behind.



NATIONAL ANTHEM 99 MIN

Dir. Luke Gilford
Oct 3 @ 8:00 PM
Oct 4 @ 5:15 PM

Dylan, a 21-year old construction worker in rural New Mexico, joins a community of queer ranchers and rodeo performers in search of their own version of the American dream.



RAP WORLD 55 MIN

Dir. Conner O'Malley & Danny Scharar
Prod. Harris Mayersohn
Oct 4 @ 8:00 PM + Q&A
Oct 6 @ 7:45 PM

In 2009, four friends living in suburban Pennsylvania document their attempt to record a world-changing rap album over the course of one eventful night.



TENDABERRY 117 MIN

Dir. Haley Elizabeth Anderson
Oct 3 @ 5:30 PM
Oct 4 @ 7:30 PM

When her boyfriend Yuri goes back to Ukraine to be with his ailing father, twenty-three-year-old Dakota navigates her precarious new life, surviving on her own in New York City.



VULCANIZADORA 84 MIN

Dir. Joel Potrykus
Exec. Prod. Matt Grady
Oct 3 @ 8:00 PM
Oct 5 @ 5:15 PM

Two friends, Marty and Derek, trudge through a Michigan forest with the intention of following through on a disturbing pact. After they fail, one of them must return home to deal with the legal and emotional repercussions.

FAITH & JOHN HUBLEY RETROSPECTIVE

Oct 5 @ 2:30 PM + Q&A



EMILY HUBLEY RETROSPECTIVE

Oct 6 @ 5:15 PM + Q&A



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SHORTS BLOCKS

DAYS OF BEING WILD 95 MIN

Oct 4 @ 7:45 PM + Q&A
Oct 6 @ 6:15 PM

Wherever you are in the world, adolescence—real or metaphorical—ain't easy, as these seven brilliant short films make painfully clear.

NET
You Look So Good
A Summer's End Poem
Not Afraid
Amarala
Fountainbleau
Stay Here

GROWN-UP PROBLEMS 100 MIN

Oct 5 @ 4:45 PM + Q&A
Oct 6 @ 4:15 PM

Okay, you've made it to adulthood. Too bad your problems have just begun. Here are seven short roadmaps to help you find your way.

Flail
8 Minutes 20 Seconds
Video Funeral
Gary
Bust
Water Dog
To Build a Fire

IT'S GONNA GET WEIRD 106 MIN

Oct 5 @ 7:30 PM + Q&A
Oct 6 @ 8:15 PM

For those who like their shorts on the bizarre side, here's an array of 11 films embracing horror, surrealism, and everything in-between.

The Seagull (But Like, Not Chekhov)
Bleach Bone
they're taking my house
The Hole
Come Back Haunted
Perfect!
Witch Woman
Man Baby
In Dreams
\$55 Private Room in a Safe Quiet Neighborhood
The Rainbow Bridge

MONTANA-MADE 115 MIN

Oct 6 @ 7:15 PM + Q&A

Beyond its natural grandeur, Montana has filmmaking talent to rival anywhere in the world. These nine films—all available elsewhere throughout the festival, but gathered together here—are evidence.

Gary
Perfect!
Bleach Bone
\$55 Private Room in a Safe Quiet Neighborhood
they're taking my house
Man Baby
To Build a Fire
Not Afraid

