





MEDIA RELEASE

Queer Screen votes YES for marriage equality!

Wed 30 August 2017: Queer Screen has announced that it will fundraise for The Equality Campaign at the upcoming Queer Screen Film Fest, being held in Sydney next month. For every ticket sold, Queer Screen will donate one dollar to The Equality Campaign.

Queer Screen is the non-profit LGBTIQ organisation who produce the annual Mardi Gras Film Festival and Queer Screen Film Fest. Making the fundraising announcement on behalf of the Queer Screen Board, Queer Screen President Kevin Ryan said:

"Queer Screen has a proud history of supporting Australian Marriage Equality. As a organisation, we're dedicated to celebrating the strength and diversity of LGBTIQ people on screen, and we're passionate about achieving equality for our community.

"Should the government's proposed postal vote on marriage equality go ahead, we want to help ensure a 'yes' vote is successful."

'We are delighted to announce fundraising support of The Equality Campaign through a one dollar donation from every ticket sold at this year's Queer Screen Film Fest,' Kevin Ryan said.

The 5th Queer Screen Film Fest hits Sydney screens in three weeks, with tickets on sale at queerscreen.org.au. The full program runs from Tuesday 19 September to Sunday 24 September at Event Cinemas George Street, and includes a free outdoor Rainbow Families screening of Moana at Sydney Park, St Peters on Saturday 16 September in the lead up to the festival.

Featuring 20 films from four continents, including 16 Australian premieres, Queer Screen Film Fest showcases a diverse range of LGBTIQ stories across narrative features, documentaries and shorts.

You can sign up to volunteer for Queer Screen at www.queerscreen.org.au/volunteer and for The Equality Campaign at www.yes.org.au

Queer Screen Film Fest 2017 is proudly supported by The Star Sydney, Event Cinemas George Street and the City of Sydney.

Tickets for all films are on sale now, including flexi passes to 5 films. Please visit queerscreen.org.au or the Queer Screen app to book or call (02) 9280 1533 to become a Queer Screen member for discounted tickets and priority entry

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Note to Editors:

- Festival Director, Lisa Rose is available for interview
- President of Queer Screen, Kevin Ryan is available for interview
- Directors and actors from most films are available for interview
- Screeners of most films are available for review and all imagery is available for publication

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