



6 - 14 JULY 2018

18TH EDITION

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THE NIFFF INVADES NEUCHÂTEL

NIFFF INVASION is a free event for all ages - financed by the City of Neuchâtel - that takes place during the Neuchâtel International Fantastic Film Festival (6-14 July). It enlivens the historical city with summery and festive activities, such as open air screenings, never-seen-before VR installations, and night parties at the Temple du Bas. All the locals are thus invited to step in the festival's fantasy world. Visitors will also be able to discover our most iconic attractions, with the collaboration of businesses and restaurants...

This year, **NIFFF INVASION** will take control of the Place des Halles to offer public screenings in the very heart of the city, which would not have been possible without the help of the City of Neuchâtel, and the square's market/businesses/restaurants group. With 530 seats available, the Open Air will show 18 films including 5 free showings of restored classics. Join us under the stars to experience **2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY** for the 50th anniversary of its release. It will be presented by **JAN HARLAN**, who was Stanley Kubrick's executive producer for 20 years. **NIFFF INVASION** also includes VR installations that will show you the Asian imagination, an exhibition that will take you behind the scenes of the web series **LE 5^E CAVALIER**, as well as night time events like a **CHOREOKE** created by **Couleur 3** and the festival's team... All **NIFFF INVASION** activities are free!

CLASSICS RELOADED

THE MOST DANGEROUS GAME (08.07, 10:15 p.m.) Irving Pichel & Ernest B. Schoedsack, US, 1932, 63' - Most Elegant Masterpiece	VERTIGO (09.07, 10:15 p.m.) Alfred Hitchcock, US, 1958, 128' - Spellbinding All-Time Classic
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UTU (REDUX) (10.07, 12:30 a.m.) Geoff Murphy, New Zealand, 1984, 118' - Ferocious Maori Western	DEAD RINGERS (11.07, 12:30 a.m.) David Cronenberg, Canada/US, 1988, 116' - Twin Introspective Thriller
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2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY (12.07, 10:15 p.m.)
Stanley Kubrick, US, 1968, 149'
- Outerspace Metaphysical Masterpiece

VR SPACE: THE VIRTUAL PSYCHO PAGODA (6-14.07, 4 to 8 p.m., Temple du Bas)

In collaboration with Geneva International Film Festival

The **NIFFF** joins forces with the Geneva International Film Festival (**GIFF**) for the second year in a row to offer an overview of innovations in VR and digital creation. The 2018 programme focuses on the Asian imagination.

AN OBITUARY, Jean Yoon, KR, 2017, 14', VR 360°

BLOODLESS, Gina Kim, KR/US, 2017, 12', VR 360°

HELP ME, You Tae-kyung, KR, 2018, 10', Interactive VR Experience

SHE'S ALREADY GONE, Yu Hong, CHN/DK, 2017, 8', Interactive VR Experience

YOUR SPIRITUAL TEMPLE SUCKS, John Hsu, TW, 2017, 10', VR 360°

HYPER-REALITY, Keiichi Matsuda, JP, 2016, 6', Video Installation

LE 5^E CAVALIER EXHIBITION (6-14.07, 4 to 8 p.m., Temple du Bas)

Behind the scenes of the web series LE 5^E CAVALIER

This multimedia exhibition will lead you through the creative process of a unique Swiss web series. From sculpture to moulding and animatronics, this visually ambitious thriller's aesthetics borrow from horror, fantasy, and science fiction.

KID-O-NIFFF (06.07, 5 p.m., Les Arcades cinema)

Short films programme (75') in collaboration with AnimaFilms RPN

About 20 animated short films made by students from Neuchâtel (from the 4th to the 11th school year) will take you on the extraordinary adventures of robots and superheroes, out to discover faraway lands as well as the everyday life of school pupils.

THE EPIC SAGA OF A YOUNG MAORI GIRL (07.07, 2:30 p.m., Les Arcades cinema)

In collaboration with La Lanterne Magique

Discover the fabulous saga of Paï, a brave 12 year old girl who can communicate with whales and wants to become her village's new leader. But no woman has ever been allowed this privilege... A beautiful fantasy set among the Maori people, who live out their lives according to their traditions and the rules of nature.

PAÏ : L'ÉLUE D'UN PEUPLE NOUVEAU, Niki Caro, 2002, New-Zealand, 101'

MUSIC@NIFFF (06/07/11/12/13/14.07, 24:00 - 04:00, Temple du Bas)

DJ sets at the Jardin anglais (Festival OFF), aftershows at the Temple du Bas, and a festive, summery atmosphere will last during NIFFF. The full program is available on our website !

CHORÉOKÉ (12.07, from 10:15 p.m., Temple du Bas)

In collaboration with Couleur 3

Don't like karaoke? Try choreoke! Everyone must follow the choreographies showed on screen, from the most famous to the craziest scenes in cinema. As an aftershow, dancing will continue with a DJ set from Couleur 3.

MARCHÉ FANTASTIQUE (03/05/07/10/12/14, Saturday until 3 p.m., Place du Port)

The Neuchâtel market has partnered up with the NIFFF and will move to the Place du Port during the festival! There will be animations, culinary surprises, and themed music events on Saturdays. A great time for people of all ages.

The complete programme for the 18th edition will be unveiled on June 21st during the [press conference](#) (June 21st, 11 a.m., Théâtre du Passage).

Practical information:

[Professional accreditations](#) open until June 27th

Online booking on www.starticket.ch

Visuals available on our website's [press page](#) (password: nifff18)

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