



Calling All Food Filmmakers!

8th annual **Devour! The Food Film Fest** is accepting submissions for the world's largest food film festival

- Early Bird Submission Deadline: May 4, 2018 -

Wolfville, Nova Scotia (March 14, 2018) – Devour! The Food Film Fest, the world's largest food film festival, is inviting emerging and established filmmakers to submit entries for its 8th annual edition, taking place October 24-28, 2018 in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada. The annual five-day festival is a must-attend destination that brings together more than 10,000 food and film lovers from around the world.

Encompassing over 100 events, *Devour!* features more than 70 food-themed films from celebrated Canadian and international filmmakers and extraordinary gastronomic activities with acclaimed chefs and culinary personalities such as past participants **Anthony Bourdain, Dominique Crenn, Bob Blumer, Jacques Pépin, Michael Smith, Chuck Hughes, Michael Städtlander, Normand Laprise** and **John Higgins**; as well as celebrity guests **Jason Priestley, Bill Pullman** and **Gordon Piment**, who guest curated the festival in 2017, among other luminaries.

Submitted films must be about food, beverage or socio-environment issues related to food. Categories for submission include:

Short Animation
Short Drama
Short Documentary
Feature Drama
Feature Documentary

All submissions must be received through Devour's secure online submission platform: filmfreeway.com/DevourTheFoodFilmFest.

The deadlines to enter are:

- May, 4, 2018 - Early bird deadline (entry discount applies)
- May 18, 2018 - Regular deadline
- June 15, 2018 - Final extended deadline (late fees will be applied)

Accepted submissions will be considered for The Devour! Golden Tine Awards selected by a prestigious jury from around the world presented on October 28, 2018.

“The bar has been raised on the calibre of our film program as we have started to secure more world premieres within our unique niche each year, thus garnering more interest from distributors and other film festivals worldwide,” says Lia Rinaldo, *Devour!* Managing Director.

Last year, more than 70 films were screened fresh off the global film festival circuit including the world premiere of **David Eng's** *Grand Cru* and the Canadian Premiere of *Jacques Pépin: Art of Craft* by Peabody and four-time Emmy Award-winning Director **Peter L. Stein**. James Beard Award-winning documentary filmmakers **Mirra Fine** and **Daniel Klein** of *Perennial Plate* were also featured in the 2017 selections and continue to be part of *Devour!*'s 2018 [satellite event](#) programming. Earlier this year, *Devour!* announced the expansion of the 2018 festival – including 13 satellite events from Fogo Island to Sonoma Valley, Berlin to the Bahamas, each mouth-watering event features a curated food-and-film pairing. Two new satellite events in Jasper, Alberta and Sonoma, California are already sold-out.

Also returning for a fourth year is the Nourish Nova Scotia Food & Film Challenge, a filmmaking competition that is open to children and youth of all ages. Stay tuned for upcoming updates and announcements.

The first round of signature event passes and packages to the 2018 *Devour! The Food Film Fest*, including the *Devour!* The Festival VIP Pass, are on sale now at devourfest.com/packages. The Festival VIP Pass provides front-of-the-line priority access across the entire five-day festival including the opening gala evening, films, workshops, tasting tours, celebrity chef dinners, parties and special events. For more information on *Devour! The Food Film Fest* and its upcoming satellite events, visit devourfest.com.

About Devour!

Combining cinematic talent with extraordinary culinary and wine creations, *Devour!* is the world's largest festival focused on food and film. The eighth edition of *Devour!* is slated for October 24-28, 2018.

Location

Only one hour from Halifax and Stanfield International Airport is the *Devour!* takes place in the culinary epicenter of Nova Scotia. Wolfville, Kings County is home to a thriving wine industry, fertile farmland and is known as the agricultural heartland of the province. A rich cultural landscape infuses the region and its people with a respect for the surrounding riches. No scene could be more fitting for *Devour!*

Acclaim

Everything about it was as promised; from beginning to end. It was special in every way: the housing; hosts; the chefs and their presentations, and - without fail - the ever present flow of street life, and new friendships everywhere we turned. There was not a wrong step in any of it. I thought I was home. – Gordon Pinsent

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Devour! The Food Film Fest recognizes the support of the Province of Nova Scotia. We are pleased to work in partnership with the Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage to develop and promote our cultural resources for all Nova Scotians.



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