

The documentary *Amygdaliá* in the Athens International Film Festival

Christina Phoebe's film debut makes its Athens Premiere

The feature-length film *Amygdaliá*, by Christina Phoebe, makes its Athens premiere at the **Athens International Film Festival "Premiere Nights"** (AIFF) which takes place September 18 to September 29, 2019.

Amygdaliá screens Thursday, September 19th, at 18:00, at IDEAL Cinema.

Amygdaliá makes its first stop in Athens after its World Premiere in the International Competition at the 21st Thessaloniki Documentary Film Festival in March 2019.

A distinguished graduate of the Studio Art program at **New York University** (NYU), the director of *Amygdaliá*, has participated in a series of exhibitions with experimental films, performances and other works. Her work has been presented at the **Venice Architecture Biennale**, **Jeu de Paume Le Magazine** in Paris and **Flux Factory** in New York City. With a playful stance, Christina Phoebe fearlessly embraces poetic language and lyrical forms, posing questions as she reflects on personal and collective histories. Infused with the innocence of childhood and the surrealism of fatal everyday life, the images and associations she creates in *Amygdaliá* cause viewers to continue to wonder long after the film is over.

Synopsis

Amygdaliá is a tree that blossoms just before spring. It is also the word that haunts the film's director as a child when she first arrives in greece. In a place that often looks like a postcard, people, places and things come together and part ways like in a dream. Women's voices begin to intertwine, as attempts are made to find a new language made up of landscapes and gestures, and unexpected aspects of greekness and foreignhood begin to emerge. Fleeting performances, beaches, fields, *amygdaliés* and *tsoliades* begin to form the alphabet of a personal language exploring borders, both around us and within us.

Trailer

For information on AIFF website

Amygdaliá Film / Αμυγδαλιά Ταινία on Facebook

Screening:

Thursday 19 September 2019 at 6pm at Cine Ideal

Following the screening a discussion will take place with the cast and crew.

Year of Production: 2019 | Color | Duration: 80'

Screenplay - DoP - Director - Production: Christina Phoebe

Editing: Yiannis Lascaris

Sound Design - Mixing: Valia Tserou

Color Grading: Manos Chamilakis

Image Post Production: Studio 235

Executive Producer: Phaedra Vokali

Featuring: Gerta Dyle, Lauretta Macauley, Zandile Ngubane, Christina Phoebe, Nur Sheikh, Elena

Stefanopoulou, Anna Vafiadou

Script Collaborators: Gerta Dyle, Lauretta Macauley, Zandile Ngubane, Christina Phoebe,

Rachyd Retch, Nur Sheikh, Elena Stefanopoulou, Anna Vafiadou

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