

New Festival To Launch In Tobago

The first ever Tobago Jazz Film Festival - a celebration of music and Tobago through film - will be launched on 21 April 2017, as part of the Tobago Jazz Experience

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ANIMATED: Film stills from 'Chico + Rita'

An initiative of the *trinidad+tobago film festival* and corporate sponsor, Flow, the *Tobago Jazz Film Festival* will screen in the open air, with films by Tobagonian filmmakers as well as international films with a focus on music. There will also be an industry workshop for Tobago-based filmmakers.

Admission to all events is free.

The lineup of festival events is as follows:

Saturday 22 April, 9am:

training + development workshops for filmmakers, Shaw Park Complex

By application only - filmmakers should submit their CV to submit@ttfilmfestival.com.

Sunday 23 April, 7pm

movies + afterparty, The Shade Nightclub, Bon Accord

Redman (PG 13) - a hilarious tale of what it means to be a man
Dancehall Queen (14+) - a desperate mother enters a dancehall competition, to save her daughter's life.

Monday 24 April, 7pm:

movies + dinner, Mount Irvine Bay Resort

Glass Bottom Boat - a woman's enduring love for Tobago sustains her through profound loss.
Miles Ahead (18+) - a fictional narrative about jazz-legend, Miles Davis, dinner reservations are recommended.

Tuesday 25 April 7pm:

movies + dinner, Waves Restaurant and Bar, Black Rock

The Resort (14+) - follow the commerce of a young man as he sells love for a living.

Chico + Rita (14+) - an adult animation, this is a majestic, sensual love story, set in 1950s Cuba.



STARS ON SCREEN: Don Cheadle in *Miles Ahead*

According to Cindy-Ann Gatt, Director of Marketing at Flow:

"We remain committed to supporting the development of content in Trinidad and Tobago and throughout the Caribbean. We are also happy to contribute to the development of entertainment tourism in Tobago as exemplified by our Platinum sponsorship of the *Tobago Jazz Experience*.

"When Bruce Paddington and his team pitched this idea for us, we felt strongly that it was one for which both Tobago and Flow were ready. Tobago is a wonderful island and its history lends itself to great storytelling. We strongly encourage attendees of the *Tobago Jazz Experience* to put the *Tobago Film Festival* into their calendar as well."

Dr. Bruce Paddington, Founder and Festival Director of the *trinidad+tobago film festival* added:

"Tobagonians have been asking for their own film festival, and the *Tobago Jazz Experience* provides the perfect opportunity for us to do this. We are thrilled to be highlighting the talent of Tobago's young filmmakers, alongside internationally acclaimed films centred in music."

The *trinidad+tobago film festival* celebrates films from and about the Caribbean and its diaspora, as well as from world cinema, through an annual festival and year-round screenings.

In addition, *trinidad+tobago film festival* seeks to facilitate the growth of Caribbean cinema by offering a wide-ranging industry programme and networking opportunities. The *trinidad+tobago film festival* is presented by Flow, given leading sponsorship by bpTT, and contributing sponsorship by RBC Royal Bank.