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THE AMERICAN FRENCH FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES HONORARY SELECTION AFTER EVENT CANCELLATION

55 Films and Series Selected to Premiere at Now Cancelled Event Revealed in Honor of Writers, Directors, Composers, Producers, Distributors and <u>Talent Involved</u>

LOS ANGELES, CA - September 27, 2023 Following the announcement from the Franco American Cultural Fund (FACF) of the cancellation of the 27th Annual American French Film Festival (TAFFF), the FACF along with the Festival organizers are announcing the full lineup of films and series that had been selected for the 2023 event and would have competed for the 2023 TAFFF Awards.

"Like every year, the 2023 program reflects the diversity and quality of French productions, while welcoming both established filmmakers and newcomers," said Francois Truffart, Executive Producer and Artistic Director of TAFFF. "More than 150 writers, directors, composers, talent, producers, distributors, digital platforms and international sales companies were associated with the selection this year. We want to thank all of them for their amazing support. We are dedicated to supporting the promotion of French films and series all year long and look forward to resuming our physical event in 2024."

Among the films set to have had a US premiere at the Festival is **The Three Musketeers: D'Artagnan**, an epic film written by Matthieu Delaporte, Alexandre De La Pattelière, directed by Martin Bourboulon and presented in association with Goldwyn Film, who will release the film in the US in December. The film based on Alexandre Dumas' work was chosen to open TAFFF and also to be presented to 3000 American high school students during the Festival, an annual educational program supported by ELMA. "A total of 21 feature films, four documentaries, nine series, four TV movies and 17 short films are part of the selection. Thirty-five of them would have been presented as US, North American, and World Premieres," adds Truffart.

The complete program list is attached. A detailed presentation of each film and series is available on <u>www.theamericanfrenchfilmfestival.org</u>

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The American French Film Festival

The American French Film Festival (formerly known as COLCOA French Film Festival) was created in 1996 and is produced by the Franco-American Cultural Fund, a unique collaboration between the Directors Guild of America (DGA), the Motion Picture Association (MPA), France's Society of Authors, Composers and Publishers of Music (SACEM) and the Writers Guild of America West (WGAW). The American French Film Festival is also supported by Unifrance; the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs; France's Society of Authors, Directors, and Producers (I'ARP); TVFI; Air Tahiti Nui; ELMA; Fleur de Miraval Champagne; L'Oréal; TV5 Monde; and Variety. The American French Film Festival Education Program is supported by ELMA.

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