EURO FILM FEST

ZIMBABWE

OCT 28-30 2026

EUROPEAN UNION

THE NEXT FRAME

PROGRAMME

European Film Festival
Zimbabwe 2026

WEDNESDAY
28 OCTOBER

Festival Opening . Exhibitions . Networking

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ZIMBABWE

TIME	PROGRAMME
14:00	**Exhibition** Join us for the Opening Day Exhibition, where organisations from film, media, culture and education showcase their work and connect with filmmakers, students and industry professionals ahead of the evening programme
17:00	**Evening Programme**
18:00	**Opening Ceremony** MC: Rutendo Mustamwira
18:30	**Short Film Preview - Grounded** *followed by a Q&A conversation with acclaimed Zimbabwean-British actress Chipo Chung.* An adolescent girl tests being a woman by leaving the house at night on her own.
19:30	**Feature Film Screening - Nasty** 1972 was a turning point in Ilie Nastase's career: winning US Open, reaching Wimbledon and Davis Cup finals. It portrays his victories, controversies, rebellious persona challenging tennis norms, and his influence as a tennis rebel icon.

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THURSDAY
29 OCTOBER
Masterclass . Screenings.

ZIFTESSA

ZIMBABWE GERMAN SOCIETY

TIME	PROGRAMME
09:00- 17:00	**Master Class** Acting and Directing for the Screen with Leroy Gopal. **Strictly By Registration. Limit: 20** In association with Monzyice Creations
18:00	**Feature film: Four Mothers** An author is saddled with caring for his mother after she suffers a stroke. His plans for a book tour are thrown into disarray when three more elderly women arrive on his doorstep in Dublin.
19:30	**Feature film: Jokes and Cigarettes** In the late 1960s, Eugenio is a young jeweller who falls in love with Conchita and together they create a musical duo. When she leaves show-business, his career thrives and he becomes one of the most important stand-up comedians in Spain.

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09:00-13:00	**National Arts Council of Zimbabwe Workshop** Finance for Filmmakers facilitated by Chartered Accountants Academy **Strictly By Registration. Limit: 30**
10:00-11:30	**Panel Discussion: The Missing Middle** A Sustainable Future in Fillmmaking. Moderator: Gideon Jeph Wabvuta. Panellists: Taremeredzwa Nengare, Joe Njagu,
12:00-14:00	**Short Film: Weight** In Chitungwiza, a troubled young man spiraling into drug abuse and his misunderstood sister battling silent mental illness find unexpected salvation through a compassionate neighbour who refuses to let society to strip them of their dignity.
	Feature Film: Disco Afrika - A Malagasy Story Madagascar, nowadays. Twenty-year-old Kwame, who struggles to make a living in the clandestine sapphire mines, is taken back to his hometown by an unexpected turn of events. As he reunites with hismother and old friends, he finds himself confronted with the rampant corruption plaguing his country. Now, he will have to choose between easy money and loyalty; between individualism and political awakening.

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14:00-15:30	**Panel Discussion: AI and African Cinema** Tool, Threat or Turning Point? Moderator: Dr Ngonidzashe Muwonwa Panelists: Malaika Mushandu, Pious Nyenyewa, Jonathan Samukange
16:00	**Short Film: Chez Ali** Ali, the owner of a night shop, is the victim of an robbery that harms his business and disrupts his daily life. Helped by his friend Fabien, he will try to restore the situation, but his moral principles will be put to the test.
	Short Film: God Sleeps on Sundays A fierce rivalry erupts between a traditional healer and a Christian preacher who is hellbent on building his church on her land.
17:00	**BIOSKOP Winning Films & Awards** Hosted by Rutendo Mutsamwira Screening of winning BIOSKOP! followed by awards.

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18:30	**Feature Film: How to Make A Killing** Michel and Cathy, a couple strained by time and financial difficulties, hardly speak to each other anymore. That is, until the day Michel, trying to avoid a bear on the road, collides with another car, and kills both of its occupants. With two dead bodies and two million dollars in the trunk, they suddenly have a lot to talk about. And even more reasons to stay silent.

VENUES : **28 Oct** National Gallery of Zimbabwe, **opening day**

29 Oct Zimbabwe German Society & ZIFTESSA

30 Oct Alliance Francaise

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