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**CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED TITLES FROM THE FESTIVAL CIRCUIT JOIN LINEUP OF
NEW RELEASE DOCS COMING SOON TO HOT DOCS CINEMA**

NEW RELEASES ADDED INCLUDE **ZODIAC KILLER PROJECT**, **COLLECTIVE MONOLOGUE** AND
AFTERNOONS OF SOLITUDE

TEEN MOVIE TAKES ON SHAKESPEARE COME TO THE CINEMA THIS SEPTEMBER AS PART OF
SHAKESPEARE, SORTA SERIES

Toronto, ON - Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema is excited to announce three new release docs and a new September series that will join the growing lineup of exciting films, series and events coming soon to the historic cinema in Toronto's Annex neighbourhood.

Zodiac Killer Project (D: Charlie Shackleton | UK, USA | 92 minutes | 2025) is a wholly original, self-aware cinematic work, in which the true crime boom is put under the microscope as filmmaker Charlie Shackleton tells the story of his abandoned documentary about the infamous Zodiac Killer, describing beat-by-beat how he imagined it playing out. Over vacant Bay Area landscapes, stylized reenactments and clips from recent true crime hits, his wry voiceover conjures the unrealized project in real time, offering an object lesson in creative frustration—and a hilarious critique of a genre at saturation point.

Afternoons of Solitude (D: Albert Serra | Spain, France, Portugal | 125 minutes | 2024) is the spellbinding new documentary film from visionary director Albert Serra (*Pacification*), that turns its gaze on the ceremonial splendor and devastating brutality of bullfighting in Spain. With quiet intensity, Serra follows famed matador Andrés Roca Rey, from the solitude of his hotel room and the meticulousness of his preparations to the charged spectacle of the arena. Through his immersive and unhurried lens, Serra reveals Rey's profound physical, spiritual, and aesthetic commitment to a centuries-old ritual—one that demands he take part in a timeless duel between man and beast.

In ***Collective Monologue*** (D: Jessica Sarah Rinland | Argentina, UK | 104 minutes | 2024), intimate and fragmented moments unfold in a community of zoos and animal rescue centers across Argentina. As histories of these institutions are uncovered, dedicated workers commit both day and night to caring for the remaining enclosed animals, fostering a mutual bond that transcends imagined boundaries between human and animal.

The above documentaries join ***Ghosts of the Sea*** (D: Virginia Tangvald | Canada | 97 minutes | 2025), ***The Dating Game*** (D: Violet Du Feng | USA, UK, Norway | 88 minutes | 2025), ***Writing Hawa*** (D: Najiba Noori, Rasul Noori | France, Netherlands, Qatar, Afghanistan | 84 minutes | 2024), ***Move Ya Body: The Birth of House*** (D: Elegance Bratton | USA | 92 minutes | 2025), ***Shari & Lamb Chop*** (D: Lisa D'Apolito |

USA | 92 minutes | 2023) and ***Sudan, Remember Us*** (D: Hind Meddeb | France, Tunisia, Qatar | 76 minutes | 2024) as recently announced new release documentaries coming soon to our cinema screen.

Three teen movie takes on Shakespeare will screen at the cinema in September as part of limited series ***Shakespeare, Sorta***. These classic teen movie genre entries span the 90s and early 2000s, offering back to school season nostalgia and a rare chance to see these Bard backed titles on the big screen.

New series ***Pillow Fright!*** announces that the second screening in its series will be 2007's ***Paranormal Activity***, a minimalist masterclass in atmosphere and dread that proves that less is often more when it comes to horror films. You and your bravest friends are invited to this sleepover-themed screening hosted by Pillow Fright! curators Emily Gagne and Danita Steinberg. Come early for karaoke, Ouija Board sessions, and a ghost story competition.

To view the Hot Docs Cinema calendar, please visit www.hotdocs.ca

All newly announced screenings and events appear below with dates and times. For ticket prices and information, visit <https://hotdocs.ca/whats-on/watch-cinema>

NEW RELEASES

AFTERNOONS OF SOLITUDE

D: Albert Serra | Spain, France, Portugal | 125 minutes | 2024

This spellbinding, critically acclaimed new documentary from Albert Serra turns its gaze on the bullfighting in Spain.

Friday, September 19 / 6:00 PM

Saturday, September 27 / 3:30 PM

COLLECTIVE MONOLOGUE

D: Jessica Sarah Rinland | Argentina, UK | 104 minutes | 2024

Intimate and fragmented moments unfold in a community of zoos and animal rescue centers across Argentina.

Saturday, September 20 / 3:30 PM

ZODIAC KILLER PROJECT

D: Charlie Shackleton | UK, USA | 92 minutes | 2025

This original and hilarious doc turns a failed Zodiac Killer film project into a tantalizing true crime genre critique.

Friday, November 21 / 6:00 PM

Sunday, November 23 / 4:00 PM

Saturday, November 29 / 4:00 PM

Owned and operated by the Hot Docs International Documentary Festival, the historic Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema is one of the world's only documentary cinemas.

CURATED SERIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Pillow Fright!

PARANORMAL ACTIVITY

D: Oren Peli | USA | 86 minutes | 2009

You and your bravest friends are invited to a sleepover-themed screening of *Paranormal Activity* hosted by Pillow Fright!

Saturday, September 27 / 8:00 PM

SHAKESPEARE, SORTA

10 THINGS I HATE ABOUT YOU

D: Gil Junger | USA | 97 minutes | 1999

A serenading Heath Ledger and riot-girly Julia Stiles can't shake each other in this Shakespeare meets 90s Seattle teen dream.

Friday, September 12 / 9:00 PM

ROMEO + JULIET

D: Baz Luhrmann | USA | 120 minutes | 1996

Baz Luhrmann's sun-soaked, alternative-soundtracked, hyper-stylized teen fever dream is the ultimate 90s experience.

Friday, September 19 / 9:00 PM

SHE'S THE MAN

D: Andy Fickman | USA | 105 minutes | 2006

A mid-2000s mashup of classic Shakespeare and a dialed-up Amanda Bynes, with a dashing dash of Channing Tatum.

Friday, September 5 / 8:30 PM

STAGE ON SCREEN

NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE: A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE

D: Benedict Andrews | UK | 180 minutes | 2014

Tennessee Williams' timeless masterpiece gets star treatment with Gillian Anderson, Vanessa Kirby and Ben Foster.

Saturday, August 30 / 4:00 PM

Sunday, August 31 / 3:00 PM

SPECIAL SCREENINGS

9 LIVES OF BARBARA DANE

D: Maureen Gosling | USA | 107 minutes | 2023

The underground history of an oft-overlooked singer-agitator and committed troublemaker with a 5" thick FBI file.

Saturday, August 30 / 1:00 PM

EXAMINED LIFE

D: Astra Taylor | Canada | 90 minutes | 2008

With Slavoj Žižek coming to town a few days later, what better time to revisit this Canadian doc classic.

Saturday, October 18 / 4:30 PM

HAPPY CLOTHES: A FILM ABOUT PATRICIA FIELD

D: Michael Selditch | USA | 100 minutes | 2023

Carrie Bradshaw owes it all to this Oscar-nominated designer who defied the odds to build an iconic 50+ year career.

Saturday, September 6 / 4:00 PM

JANIS IAN: BREAKING SILENCE

D: Varda Bar-Kar | USA | 114 minutes | 2025

This audience favourite from the festival circuit shares the remarkable life and career of songwriter Janis Ian.

Friday, September 12 / 6:00 PM

LITTLE, BIG AND FAR

D: Jem Cohen | Austria, USA | 121 minutes | 2024

This critically acclaimed film blends fiction and non to tell the story of an astronomer reconnecting with the stars.

Saturday, September 13 / 4:00 PM

ZODIAC

D: David Fincher | USA | 157 minutes | 2007

Get ready for *Zodiac Killer Project* with this screening of David Fincher's 2007 classic thriller.

Saturday, November 22 / 7:00 PM

THIS FILM SHOULD BE PLAYED LOUD

STOP MAKING SENSE

D: Jonathan Demme | USA | 88 minutes | 1984

Continue to burn down the house with Jonathan Demme's seminal 1984 Talking Heads concert film.

Saturday, August 30 / 8:00 PM

BACK TO THE BLOOR

DIRTY DANCING

D: Emile Ardolino | USA | 100 minutes | 1987

This summer may be coming to an end, but it's not too late to have the time of your life.

Saturday, August 23 / 7:00 PM

FAMILY SCREENING

MOANA SING-ALONG

D: John Musker, Ron Clements | USA | 107 minutes | 2016

It's the perfect time for a summer family sing along! Shout, sing, and dance along to Disney's modern animated classic.

Sunday, August 24 / 1:00 PM

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Owned and operated by [Hot Docs](#), a not-for-profit organization dedicated to advancing and celebrating the art of documentary, Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema is the world's largest documentary cinema. A historic, century-old landmark located in Toronto's vibrant Annex neighbourhood, the Cinema is a year-round home for non-fiction film and storytelling, presenting first-run international and Canadian documentaries, curated film and speakers series, signature events including Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival, Hot Docs Podcast Festival and Curious Minds Weekend, as well as hosting for some of the city's premier festivals and events. Since assuming management in 2012, Hot Docs has screened over 1,425 films to audiences of more than 1.3 million. In 2016, a generous \$5-million donation from Rogers Foundation enabled Hot Docs to purchase the venue.

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