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HOT DOCS OFFERS FIRST LOOK AT REIMAGINED INDUSTRY PROGRAM FOR 2024 FESTIVAL

HOT DOCS FESTIVAL, APRIL 25 TO MAY 5 IN TORONTO, WILL CENTRALIZE ALL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES TO ONE CAMPUS AND INTRODUCE THE ALL-IN INDUSTRY ALL-ACCESS PASS, OFFERING A MORE INCLUSIVE AND IMMERSIVE DELEGATE EXPERIENCE

Toronto, Canada – **Hot Docs**, North America's premier documentary festival, conference and market, is excited to announce an inventive shift in its approach to its Industry program for this year's highly anticipated Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival, taking place **April 25 to May 5** in Toronto. Responding to the ever-evolving documentary landscape and the current needs of filmmakers of all levels, Hot Docs will launch the new All-IN pass, a streamlined Industry all-access pass that moves away from the traditional tiered system and provides enhanced convenience, accessibility and value; contributing to a Festival experience that is both richer and more impactful. Additionally, Hot Docs is centralizing all Industry activities in one location—University of Toronto's historic Hart House.

"A commitment to advancing the art of documentary and empowering the filmmaking community drives everything we do at Hot Docs," shared **Elizabeth Radshaw**, Hot Docs' Industry Programs Director. "Recognizing the changes and challenges the documentary market is navigating, we are proud to offer a more unified program that promotes accessibility, adaptability and resilience."

Conference attendees will experience a richer and more immersive four-day Industry program that fosters meaningful connections and offers unique insights. All-IN passholders will enjoy access to world-renowned pitch events—Hot Docs Forum and Deal Maker—networking and social opportunities, lunches and coffee breaks, work-in-progress screenings and a dynamic mix of deep-dive and quick-learning knowledge-sharing sessions that will enable attendees to adapt and thrive in the current industry landscape. Furthermore, passholders will have exclusive access to the Opening Night Industry screening and party, in addition to all Festival film screenings. The centralization of all these offerings at the Hart House campus will ensure convenience and enhance engagement.

Hot Docs Festival, now in its 31st year, will leverage its longevity, expertise, and deep understanding of the sector to lead crucial conversations on adaptability, resilience, and diversification within the documentary industry.

The Hot Docs Festival 2024 All-IN pass grants access to:

- All Hot Docs Forum pitch sessions, receptions and lunches
- Hot Docs Deal Maker pitch meetings **pre-application required*
- Delegate Lounge

- All Industry conference sessions, including new short Hot Talks and Festival Symposium
- All Festival film screenings
- All Work-in-Progress screenings
- The Online Community, including delegate and buyer lists and Hot Docs Forum and Deal Maker project catalogues
- Opening Night Industry Screening and Party

Hot Docs Industry is consolidating its programming to offer this all-access pass at an accessible price point of CAD 725+HST with First 50 and Early Bird pricing discounts available.

Industry professionals interested solely in Festival screenings can opt for the Industry Screening Pass, offering access to Festival screenings.

Registration for Hot Docs Festival 2024 Industry passes opens on **January 31, 2024**. For more information, please visit <https://hotdocs.ca/industry/conference/register>.

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[Hot Docs \(www.hotdocs.ca\)](http://www.hotdocs.ca), North America's largest documentary festival, conference and market, is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to advancing and celebrating the art of documentary and to creating production opportunities for documentary filmmakers. Hot Docs will present its 31st annual edition from April 25 to May 5, 2024, in cinemas across Toronto. Hot Docs will also mount a dynamic series of knowledge sessions, networking opportunities and market programs for documentary practitioners and industry delegates, including the renowned Hot Docs Forum and Hot Docs Deal Maker. Year-round, Hot Docs supports the Canadian and international industry with professional development programs and a multi-million-dollar film fund portfolio, and fosters education through documentaries with its popular free program Docs For Schools. Hot Docs owns and programs the Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema, a century-old landmark located in Toronto's Annex neighbourhood and the world's first and largest documentary cinema.

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