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## **Napa Valley Film Festival Announces Line-Up, Celebrity Tributes**

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The [Napa Valley Film Festival](#) (NVFF) has announced its complete 2017 line-up, including opening night film "The Upside" and closing night film "Molly's Game." The festival, which will take place November 8-12, also released a list of special events and celebrity tribute honorees in anticipation of the seventh annual showcase of independent cinema.

The food, wine, and film-filled event will kick off with a Sneak Preview Night on Tuesday, November 7, featuring a screening of "The Shape of Water" and two performances by Dennis Quaid and The Sharks. To follow will be five days of selected films in contention for awards season such as "I, Tonya" and "Call Me By Your Name." The Award Ceremony will take place at the Uptown Theatre on Nov. 12.

NVFF will recognize Charles Krug Legendary Filmmaker [Nancy Meyers](#) ("It's Complicated," "The Intern"), [Raymond Vineyards Trailblazer](#) [Michael Shannon](#) ("The Shape of Water," "The Current War"), and Spotlight Tribute honoree [Michael Stuhlbarg](#) ("Call Me By Your Name," "The Shape of Water"). The new Jameson Animal Rescue Ranch Humanitarian Tribute will be presented to actors Nikki Reed and Ian Somerhalder of the Ian Somerhalder Foundation. In addition, the Caldwell Vineyards Maverick Tribute will be given to Will Ferrell and the first annual Rising Star Showcase will recognize young talents Ana de Armas ("War Dogs," "Blade Runner 2049"), Odeya Rush ("Lady Bird," "Goosebumps"), Austin Stowell ("Battle of the Sexes," "Bridge of Spies"), Gregg Sulkin ("Runaways," "Faking It"), and Alex Wolff ("My Friend Dahmer," "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle").

NVFF has also continued its partnership with Lexus and The Weinstein Company for the fourth season of Lexus Short Films. The selection committee of Antoine Fuqua, Patty Jenkins, and Taylor Sheridan will determine four filmmakers to recognize at a special event on Nov. 9 at Charles Krug Winery as well as at the final Awards Ceremony.