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**BRONZELENS FILM FESTIVAL 2023 OFFICIAL SELECTIONS ANNOUNCED**

***Over 120 Film Screenings Showcasing the Work of Creatives from 17 Countries***

*Signature Special Events along with Expert Panels and Master Classes Escalate the BronzeLens Experience  
The Festival Runs from Wednesday, August 23 – Sunday, August 27, 2023*

ATLANTA --- July 12, 2023— This year a diverse mix of over 120 thought-provoking and visually stimulating world-class films written, produced, and directed by creators of color or about people of color sets the stage to engage attendees during the fourteenth annual **BronzeLens Film Festival** (BronzeLens) in Atlanta, Georgia. Official selections categories include short narratives, feature narratives, documentaries, short documentaries, dance, web series, music videos, and students' films from Angola, Australia, Botswana, Burkina Faso, China, Canada, Dominican Republic, France, Jordan, Mexico, New Zealand, Panama, Portugal, South Africa, Uganda, United Kingdom, and the United States.

**BronzeLens 2023 Official Selections Announcement Video:** [\(45\) 14th Annual BronzeLens Film Festival Official Selections - YouTube](#)

“Each year I am in awe of the depth and breadth of the film submissions BronzeLens receives. Creative storytelling be it fact or fiction is such a powerful means of touching the humanity in all who behold,” said Deidre McDonald, BronzeLens Film Festival Artistic Director. “Our mission remains steeped in celebrating the art of filmmaking and providing networking opportunities for filmmakers, content creators, talent, and our attendees to connect and interact.”

Landmark Midtown Art Cinema is the hub for BronzeLens 2023 Official Film Selections from August 23 through the 27. The complete list of the 2023 film selections can be found at [Official Film Selections | Welcome to the 14th Annual BronzeLens Film Festival \(eventive.org\)](#).

Among the multifaceted 2023 BronzeLens panels, workshops, and demos offered are: *How to Find Your Audience* presented by Seed and Spark, Cas Sigers' Master Class for Writers, *Entertainment Law for Creatives*, and *Indie Filmmaking Best Practices*.

Festival goers also can attend signature events unique to the BronzeLens experience which includes:

**Women SuperStar Honors** on Saturday, August 26 at the historic Rialto Center for the Arts. The Women SuperStar Honors celebrates the accomplishments of women of color who work in the film and television industry in front of and behind the lens. This year's honorees include Anika Noni Rose (*The Princess and the Frog*, *Dream Girls*) and KJ Smith (*Tyler Perry's Sistahs*, *Power Block III: Raising Kanan*, *The Family Business*), and critically acclaimed director Neemah Barnette (*All Rise*, *Raising Dion*, *Bosch*, *Being Mary Jane*, *Queen Sugar*) is making a special guest appearance.

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On Sunday, August 27 BronzeLens salutes men of color in film and television for making a positive difference in the industry during **Sunday Brunch with the Brothers**. The guests will share lessons learned and participate in insightful conversations with the audience.

A critical component of the festival is **Cinema and Social Justice Sunday** on August 27 which features socially relevant films and conversations that address issues of social justice, and human and civil rights.

The **Annual BronzeLens Awards Show** will pay tribute to the “Best of Festival” filmmakers. Categories include the best in Narrative Features, Documentaries, Short Narratives, Short Documentaries, Dance, Webisodes, Students, Music Videos, and, as well as Best Actress and Best Actor.

### **About the BronzeLens Film Festival**

BronzeLens Film Festival of Atlanta, Georgia, is a non-profit organization, founded in 2009, that is dedicated to bringing national and worldwide attention to Atlanta as a center for film and film production for people of color. Its mission is two-fold: to promote Atlanta as a film mecca for people of color, and to showcase films and provide networking opportunities that will develop the next generation of filmmakers.

BronzeLens is an *Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences* qualifying film festival for the Short Film Awards category. The short film that receives the BronzeLens Best Short Award may now be eligible to enter the Academy’s Short Subject competition for the concurrent season.

### **BronzeLens Sponsors**

2023 BronzeLens Sponsors are Amazon, Aids Healthcare Foundation, Discover Atlanta, Fulton Films, Fulton County Arts & Culture, East Point Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Georgia Pacific.

For more information regarding the BronzeLens Film Festival, visit [www.bronzelens.com](http://www.bronzelens.com).

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All media must email Tandi Reddick at [tandibronzelens@gmail.com](mailto:tandibronzelens@gmail.com) to request access to cover BronzeLens events. Approved media representatives who applied will receive written confirmation from Tandi Reddick.

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