



“The Zookeeper’s Wife” Premieres in India at MAMI in association with Vkaao and PVR PICTURES

Directed by Academy Award nominee Niki Caro & starring two-time Academy Award nominee Jessica Chastain, the film marked the 10th screening under MAMI’s Year Round Programme

Mumbai, Tuesday, April 18, 2017: MAMI in association with Vkaao & PVR Pictures premiered the powerful film *The Zookeeper’s Wife* at PVR Icon, Versova, Mumbai, as part of its year round programme.

The film directed by Niki Caro and based on the non-fiction book of the same name by Diane Ackerman, is based on a remarkable true story. The film stars Jessica Chastain, Johan Heldenbergh, Michael McElhatton and Daniel Brühl.

The Zookeeper’s Wife tells the story of a woman who became a hero to hundreds during World War II. Antonina and Jan Zabiński were keepers of the Warsaw Zoo and helped save hundreds of people and animals during the German invasion. The film had its world premiere on March 8, 2017, in Warsaw, Poland, which also forms the location of the story.

Smriti Kiran, Creative Director, Mumbai Film Festival said, “We are happy that an important film like *The Zookeeper’s Wife* marks the 10th screening of MAMI’s year round programme. Establishing, shaping and firming up the academy’s year round programme is our mission this year and it is heartening to see it slowly come together.”

Mr. Kamal Gianchandani, CEO, PVR Pictures, said “*The Zookeeper’s Wife* is a powerful story that needed to be told. Based on a true story, it shines with a superb cast - from two-time Academy nominee Jessica Chastain as well as Johan Heldenbergh, Daniel Bruhl and Michael McElhatton. The film is directed by Niki Caro. Set against the backdrop of World War II the film gives viewers a glimpse into the unbelievable courage of one family against all odds- this is a timeless story. Thank you MAMI for premiering it.”

The Zookeeper’s Wife will be in theatres on April 21, 2017.