



Jio MAMI 18th Mumbai Film Festival with Star announces Jurors for Dimensions Mumbai

Mumbai, October 19, 2016: The Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival with Star is all set to bring back the short film category – 'Dimensions Mumbai' for young filmmakers from Mumbai with a power-packed jury. The selected jury represents an exciting mix of influential film makers and actors. They are:



*Left to Right: **Zoya Akhtar** (Critically acclaimed director and Head of Jury, Dimensions Mumbai), **Nagraj Manjule** (National Film Award winner), **Richa Chadda** (Actor)*



*Left to Right: **Shakun Batra** (Director), **Kanu Behl** (Director/Producer)*

Dimensions Mumbai is a short film category that focuses on young film makers from Mumbai; for which the age of the participants must be more than 18 years but less than 25 years. Dimensions provides a platform for young talent to showcase their work. The winning film or films will be showcased during the festival and the winner of the category will receive the Silver Gateway Trophy along with a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000. Dimensions Mumbai Award is supported by Turkish Airlines.

Zoya Akhtar, Director and Head of Jury for Dimensions said, "Mumbai has always been a hotbed of talent and MAMI is an excellent platform to showcase it. Dimensions is a great opportunity for aspiring filmmakers, I am thrilled to be a part of the jury."

Nagraj Manjule, Director and a jury member for Dimensions said, "MAMI was the first big film platform which recognized my work and awarded me for my first feature film *Fandry*. My experience as a participant of MAMI was exciting and this year I am looking forward to experience it as a Jury member."

Richa Chadda, Actress and jury for Dimensions said, "I am delighted to be a part of this jury with such luminaries and people who I admire a lot in general. Short films are here to stay and I find the format of telling stories in a shorter duration very fascinating. I am looking forward to watching these films and brainstorming with everyone."

The 18th edition of the festival will take place between October 20 to 27,2016 at various locations across Mumbai.

Jio MAMI with Star VISION 2016

The Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival with Star is an inclusive movie feast. We showcase the latest cutting-edge, independent cinema - art house fare alongside genre movies from Bollywood and Hollywood and cult international movies. We offer the best of world cinema to the people of Mumbai and we offer the best of Indian cinema to the world. The festival is run by the Mumbai Academy of Moving Image popularly known as MAMI. This is a space where we revel in the sheer pleasure of cinema, the joy it gives us and how much it enhances our lives. The goal is to nurture and ignite a passion for movies. We want Jio MAMI with Star to be shorthand for excellence in cinema.

ABOUT Jio MAMI with Star Film Festival

Mumbai - the financial capital of India is also the epicentre of the Indian film industry. The city plays such a major role in production and dissemination of Indian films and television programs that it is widely known by its acronym 'Bollywood'. In 1997, a group of film industry stalwarts headed by late Hrishikesh Mukherjee founded the Mumbai Academy of Moving Image (MAMI) as a not-for-profit Trust. Their main objective was to organise an annual International Film Festival which the film industry and the country could be proud of. MAMI has been organising the festival for the last 16 years and aims to foster a climate of good cinema. MAMI engages people from all walks of life across the city and country that enjoy and love good cinema. It is Mumbai's only film festival that is entirely created and run by film professionals and a group of members from corporate India. Appreciation of good cinema, stripped off all the limiting labels of art and commercial, can only come about through exposure to the best of films the world has to offer. The Festival is the first step in that direction.

In their Mission Statement in 1997, the MAMI Board of Trustees said, "We feel it is the need of the hour to disseminate and inculcate good cinema among Indian audiences. The only way to achieve this is to celebrate cinema by hosting an International Film Festival in Mumbai, India's film and entertainment capital. MAMI (Mumbai Academy of Moving Image) is committed to start Mumbai's first independent international film festival organized by practicing film makers."

For more information on Jio MAMI 18th Mumbai Film Festival with Star scheduled to be held from 20th October- 27th October 2016, do visit the official website, Twitter handle, Facebook Page, Instagram and YouTube as follows:

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