The Eleventh Edition of Luxor African Film Festival (LAFF) 2022

Entitled "Rediscovering Egypt"



Rediscovering Egypt

The artistic vision of the eleventh edition of LAFF is concerned with "rediscovering Egypt" in terms of art, culture, tourism, and history.

LAFF aims at highlighting the Egyptian heritage to filmmakers all over the world

This vision comes in conjunction with Egypt's celebration of two significant anniversaries:

The 100th anniversary of the spectacular discovery of Tutankhamun tomb in the Valley of the Kings, Luxor -the ancient capital of Egypt- by British Egyptologist, Howard Carter in 1922

The 200th anniversary of Deciphering the Hieroglyphic Language of Rosetta Stone by French Egyptologist, Jean-François Champollion in 1822

LAFF sheds light on the significance of such anniversaries on the local and international levels. Thus, we focus on highlighting the Egyptian heritage through

the vision and events of the eleventh edition to raise global awareness of Egypt's heritage, civilization, and potential.

*Furthermore, LAFF aims at discussing the methodology and mechanisms of attracting international film productions to Egypt's marvelous landscape, heritage, and tourism.



Higher Committee of LAFF (11" Edition)

Chairman: Producer Gaby Khoury

Actor Mahmoud Hemida (LAFF's Honorary President)

Director Dr. Magdi Ahmed Ali (Member)

Major-General Tarek Allam (Member)

Expert on African Affairs, Dr. Amani Al-Taweel (Member)

Deputy Amani El-Shouly (Member)

Actress Elham Shahin (Member)

Actor Sabry Fawwaz (Member)

Actress Salwa Mohamed Ali (Member)

Director/Producer Sherif Mandour (Member)

Tourism Expert Muhammad Othman (Member)



LAFF Poster



Young artist, "Mahmoud Ismail" is the designer of the eleventh edition poster, which is a combination of modernity and technological advancement in film industry, while adhering to elements of visual heritage of our ancestors (in the Egyptian identity and brotherly African countries' identities). Most notably, the visual elements refer to cinema through the (hand) representing filmmakers, along with some accessories expressing the Egyptian identity and Africa countries. Moreover, the sun is one of the symbols of ancient Egyptian civilization. The different shades of colors show the remarkable youthful spirit of LAFF.

Honorary President of the (11th Edition)

Mahmoud Hemida

Born on December 7, 1953.



Presented multiple roles in cinema... Started his artistic career through a television series... Then, he dived into the world of cinema. He also participated in radio and theatrical works. Throughout his artistic career, he won numerous awards.

He has practiced acting since childhood, for he was a member of the school's acting team, in all education levels. After graduation, he practiced acting and dancing through amateur bands, in addition to his work.

*In 1986, TV director Ahmed Khedr offered Hemida the starring role in a television series. Hemida's performance drew the attention of filmmakers in Egypt. Later, he started working as a film actor, presenting different roles in multiple cinematic works.

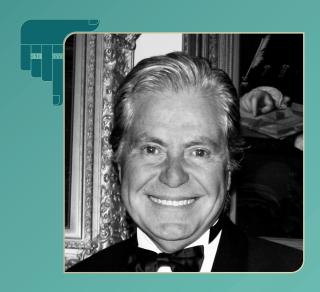
In 1996, he established the film production company "Al-Batriq" which released multiple works either in its own production or performing the work of the executing producer for other artistic entities. "Janat Al-Shayateen", produced by the company, is regarded as one of the most significant cinematic works produced in Egypt. Critics assert that "Janat AlShayateen" is one of the 100 most crucial films since the establishment of the film industry in Egypt, until the present day. The film won multiple awards in many festivals.

In 1996, Hemida established the actors' studio, with the assistance of iconic specialists, in order to set the studio as a center for training and refining young talents. Hemida believes in the necessity of combining talents with scientific methods. This would result in financing the film industry through these qualified artistic talents, in order to cope with the rapid and tremendous development of film industry in Europe, America, and other countries.

In 1997, Hemdia published "Al-Fan Al-Sabe" magazine, which is the first Arab cinematic publication specialized in film industry in the Middle East. The magazine team highlighted local and international works of art -in different colors and directions- and analyzed them from different angels, in order to be sent to filmmakers, specialists, and the audience of readers in an honest and impartial manner. Therefore, specialists regarded the magazine as a historical reference for multiple works, whether locally or internationally.



Honorees



Lifetime Achievement Award Iconic Star **Hussein Fahmy**



Edition of Late Senegalese
Director: Gabriel Mambetti

LAFF dedicates the 11th edition to:



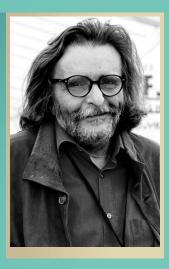
Huda Sultan

Egyptian Actress



Mahmoud Morsy

Egyptian Actor



Mohamed Ismail

Moroccan Director

Opening Ceremony (Honorees):



Amr Saad

Egyptian Actor



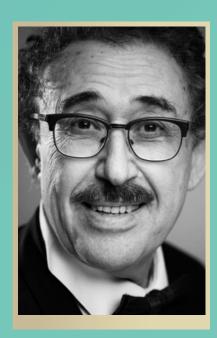
Appoline Traoré

Burkinabé Artist



Biyouna

Algerian Artist



Férid Boughedir

Tunisian Director

Watching and Selection Committee:

1- Critic: Farouk Abd El-Khaliq

2- Director: Ahmed Rashwan

3- Screenwriter: Shahira Sallam

4- Director: Kawthar Younis

5- Critic: Marwa Abu Eish

Juries and Shortlisted Films:

Firstly: Long Narratives' Jury

Moussa Touré	Senegal	Director
Yousry Nasrallah	Egypt	Director
Apolline Traoré	Burkina Faso	Director
Kamal Ben Wanas	Tunisia	Critic
Jimmy Jean-Louis	Haiti	Actor

Shortlisted Films – Long Narratives' Competition:

Film	Director	Country
Habiba	Hassan Ben Galoon	Morocco
Zawjt Haffar Al-Qobour	Khadar Ahmed	Somalia
Al-Itifak	Lia Malli – Franck Ribéry	Cameroon
Arjou	Omar Qasim	Algeria
Masoud	Emmanuel Rotobam	Burkina Faso
lbta'id	Stanley Oqouhwari	Nigeria
Maria Cristo	Paul S. Willow	Zambia
Tawalt Ifriqia Al-A'am	Coffy Ofoso Yeboa	Ghana
Mashia Le Jahanam	Asmahan Lahmar	Tunisia
2 Midan Talaat Harb	Magdi Ahmed Ali	Egypt

Secondly: Long Documentaries' Jury

Katy Ndiaya	Senegal	Director
Fibby Kioria	Ughanda	Critic
Mahmoud Abd El-Samie	Egypt	Director of Photography
Mohamed Seyam	Egypt	Director
Peter Sedufia	Ghana	Director

Shortlisted Films – Long Narratives' Competition:

Film	Director	Country
Najmt Al-Sabbah	Nantanina Lova	Madagascar
Kelab Al-Akeed Al-Dalah	Khaled Shams	South Africa - Libya
Makan Yusama Wahala	Jurgin Allingus	Togo
Faya Daye	Jessica Bashir	Ethiopia
Kasongo	George Senga	Congo
Ya'khouz Al-Nemaa Shakhs	Mr. and Mrs. Landoy Machkezi	South Africa
Al-Thahab Wa Mal	Eric Revo	Mali
Al-Malga'a Al-Akhir	Osmane Smaseko	Mali
Shokhous Alamna Al-Tahty	Haitham Sherif	Egypt
Al-Alikat	Myriam	Morocco
Al-Osoud Al-Awagez	Ibrahim Abbas	Egypt

Thirdly: Short Film Jury

Ahmed Shawky	Egypt	Critic
Khaled Al-Haggar	Egypt	Director
Fatomato Coulibaly	Mali	Director
Daoud Wilad Al-Sayed	Morocco	Director
Ghalia Ben Ali	Tunisia	Actress

Shortlisted Films – Long Narratives' Competition:

Film	Director	Country
Azma Qalbia	Menhli Luthuli	South Africa
16 Jawla	Usama Mukawya	Uganda
Nesf Rouh	Marwan Traboulsi	Tunisia
Ma'a Al-Salama Damar	David Edem Ditib	Ghana
Minizi	Elizabeth Blackung Limo	Togo
Khayt Rafie	Wegdan Khaled	Morocco
Balat Al-Malek	Amimdeh Bakum Ncolo	Gabon
Ayna Ana	Dennis Mayala	Angola
Baby Bloz	Diop Mamamdou	Senegal - France
Nakon Izaman	Denis Valerie Ndayishim	Rwanda
Batoul	Mohamed Zahran	Egypt
Odteen Wa Salah	Mina Maher	Egypt
Ganaza Harrah	Mohamed Mahmoud	Egypt
Al-Wosoul Mota'akhir	Duha Hamdi	Egypt
Khareza"	Maggi Morgan	Egypt

Fourthly: Diaspora Competition Jury

Rashid Mashharawi	Palestine	Director
Doura Bouchoucha	Tunisia	Producer
Ahmed Magdi	Egypt	Actor

Diaspora Competition Films:

Film	Director	Country
Tefl Shakhs Akhar	Patricia Quindi	France
Kol Al-Layali	Latifa Saeed	Tunisia – France
Imbratoryat Al-Samt	Thierry Michel	France
Prince	Lisa Bererworth	Germany
Sout Zohour Qasb Al-Sukkar	Nicolas Sri	France
Ba'yedan Biqadr Ma Astatie Al- Sayer	Stefan Arsenjevik	Serbia – France
Ghad Moshreq	Yassin Qenya	France
Molouk Al-Romba	Alan Brin	USA – Peru
Salawat Dalfin	Rosen Mbakam	Cameroon
Freda	Jessica Genesis	Haiti – Benin

LAFF Publications:

Title	Author
Ameer Al-Sa'alik (Gabriel Diop Mambetti)	Gabriel Sagna
History and Poetry in Shady Abd El-Salam Films	Mervat Cumin
10 Women in One (Huda Sultan)	Kamal Ramzi
Hussein Fahmy The Biography of Egyptian Cinema in Half a Century	Ahmed Shawqi
Férid Boughedir	

Factory Initiative:

Is a long term project dedicated to the female film makers, it aims to achieve specific goals through helping the promising talents in producing their documentaries films and expand their connections in film making market.

The initiative is targeting the young females film makers from Africa, MENA and Diaspora.

"Factory" consists 11 long documentary film project for female directors in their first or second ..., 5 from Africa (South Africa – Algeria – Uganda – Rwanda – Nigeria), 2 projects from MENA (Syria – Jordan) 4 projects from Egypt.

Experts:

The festival has signed a protocol with "Dox box" organization, which is Nonprofit organization specialized in developing and support the documentary films, the organization based in Berlin and led by Gihan El Tahry.

Prizes

"Factory" presents financial ad nonfinancial prizes, the nonfinancial prizes represented in support in editing, coloring, marketing material and consulting all over the year.

The workshop

"Factory" presents to the directors training, technical and physical support by preparing the directors for the team leading and strengthen their self-confidence and overcome any heritage related to woman weakness.

Local Audience Development and Talent Support Program – Upper Egyp

Artistic Workshops:

Workshop Title	Trainer
Film Directing	Ahmed Rashwan
Children Cinema	Shwikar Khalifa
Actors' Preparation	Al-Asaad Al-Jamousi
(Old - New) Film Poster	Zainab Soubhi
Manufacturing Heritage Boats	Saeed Al-Bagouri
Theatrical Storytelling Workshop for Women	Eman Shahin
Mural Drawing Competition	Dr. Ahmed Hamdi
Children's Drawing Workshop	Wael Nour

Art Exhibitions:

Photographic Exhibition (Tutankhamun)

Plastic Artists Exhibition "from the South"

Honorees Posters Exhibition

Symposiums and Events:

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Participating African Countries:

Sudan Ughanda Egypt

Morocco Algeria Tunisia

Libya South Africa Ethiopia

Mali Cameroon Somalia

Burkina Faso Nigeria Nigeria

Ghana Zimbabwe Togo

Congo Angola Gabon

Madagascar Rwanda Senegal

Zambia Mauritania

Non African Participating Conuntries:

France Germany Serbia

Palestine Haiti USA

Belgium

The 11th Edition Guest of Honor Country: (Uganda)

