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## PAFF FAQs

### OFFICIAL LINKS

WEBSITE	<a href="https://www.paff.org/">https://www.paff.org/</a>
FACEBOOK	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/PAFFnow">https://www.facebook.com/PAFFnow</a>
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FULL SCHEDULE	<a href="https://www.paff.org/pdfs/2018/Screening_Schedule-2018-2.pdf">https://www.paff.org/pdfs/2018/Screening_Schedule-2018-2.pdf</a>

- The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Pan African Film & Arts Festival (PAFF) will run from Thursday, February 8 – Monday, February 19
- The experience will be held in two neighboring locations:
  - **CINEMARK BALDWIN HILLS CRENSHAW 15 and XD** – Red carpet experiences and movie screenings. *ADDRESS: 4020 Marlton Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90008*
  - **BALDWIN HILLS CRENSHAW PLAZA** – ArtFest, #Talk4Reel and PAFF Institute panel events, StudentFest, Children’s Fest and more! *ADDRESS: 3650 W. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90008*
- Ticket information for PAFF can be found at: <https://www.paff.org/tickets/>.
  - Regular ticket prices range from \$6.50 - \$14.00 per day
  - Festival passes range from \$75 - \$695





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## ABOUT THE PAN AFRICAN FILM & ARTS FESTIVAL

Established in 1992, the Pan African Film & Arts Festival (PAFF) - a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization - has remained dedicated to showcasing a broad spectrum of Black creative works; particularly, those that reinforce positive images and help to advance cultures, races and lifestyles. PAFF also serves as a vehicle to initiate dialogue on the important issues of our time and aides in the promotion of cultural understanding between peoples of African descent.

Now in its 26th year, the 12-day PAFF experience will feature 75+ fine artists and 170+ new films from over 40 countries within five continents and in 26 languages. This annual exhibition of film, art, culture and creative expression is the largest Black film festival and the largest Black History Month celebration in the U.S. PAFF attracts a diverse global audience hailing from the United States, Africa, the Caribbean, Europe, Canada, South America and the South Pacific, which translates into over 90K art fest attendees, 40K film enthusiasts and 5000 students, annually.

The 26th Annual Pan African Film & Arts Festival is directed by Hollywood veterans **Danny Glover** (*The Color Purple, Proud Mary*), **Ja'Net DuBois** (*Good Times*) and **Ayuko Babu** (Executive Director), and will take place **Thursday, February 8 - Monday, February 19 at the Cinemark Rave 15 Theatres/Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza (3650 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd) in Los Angeles, California.** For more details and ticket information, visit [www.PAFF.org](http://www.PAFF.org).

## PAFF BY THE NUMBERS

- 173 Films
- 77 Features
- 47 Narratives
- 30 Documentaries
- 72 LA Premieres
- 33 World Premieres
- 18 U.S. Premieres
- 5 Continents (Africa, Australia, Europe, North America, South America)
- 44 Countries
- 26 Languages
- 7500 Students
- 75+ Fine Artists
- 35K Film Attendees
- 90K ArtFest Attendees





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## SPECIAL EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

You can pull a synopsis of the following experiences from:

- Our most recent press release: <http://conta.cc/2FzPGI3>
- Our full festival guide: [https://www.paff.org/pdfs/2018/Screening\\_Schedule-2018-2.pdf](https://www.paff.org/pdfs/2018/Screening_Schedule-2018-2.pdf)

## CORE PROGRAMS

### OPENING NIGHT

#### ***Love Jacked***

Thursday, February 8 @ 7PM

*Stars Amber Stevens-West, Shamier Anderson, Lyriq Bent, Keith David, Mike Epps, Marla Gibbs, Angela Gibbs, Demetrius Grosse and Nicole Lyn.*

### CENTERPIECE

#### **Private Screening Event**

Wednesday, February 14 @ 6:30PM

*PAFF will host a private screening of 2018's most anticipated film for PAFF founders, sponsors, partners, friends and esteemed influencers. Stay tuned to [www.PAFF.org](http://www.PAFF.org) for more details!*

### CLOSING NIGHT

#### ***The Forgiven***

Sunday, February 18 @ 6:45PM

*Stars Academy Award® winner\* **Forest Whitaker** and **Eric Bana***

### SPOTLIGHT FILMS

#### **Behind the Movement – Presented by TVOne**

Friday, February 9 @ 8PM

#### **King of Stage: The Woodie King, Jr. Story**

Saturday, February 10 @ 7:15PM

*\*PAFF will award Woodie King, Jr. their esteemed “Lifetime Achievement Award.”*

#### **Nothing Like Thanksgiving**

Saturday, February 17 @ 8PM





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[PAFF INSTITUTE /  
#TALK4REEL PANEL SERIES  
\(NEW\)](#)

The Pan African Film & Arts Festival has always been more than just movie screenings. It also serves as a platform to amplify the voices of industry powerhouses, community influencers, sports figures, cultural icons, thought leaders and disruptors who seek to educate, inspire and empower those who desire personal and professional elevation.

With that in mind, PAFF has officially launched its new #Talk4Reel panel series that makes necessary conversations happen... and when these conversation happen, you definitely want to be in the building! #Talk4Reel falls under the PAFF Institute program.

[ART FEST](#)

Over 100 established and emerging fine artists and quality craftspeople from the US and the world over whose artistic aesthetic is rooted in Africa and its Diaspora present their creative works using oil on canvas, watercolor and pastels, acrylic paper, glass, ceramics, metal, cloth, plastic, wax, wire, leather, stone and more. The art show brings out over 100,000+ visitors from Los Angeles, across the country and around the world. Artists will present fine art and photography, one-of-a-kind craft art, designer and traditional fashions, jewelry, home decor, fashion accessories. There will be something for every taste and every budget. *The ArtFEST is sponsored in part by grants from The Los Angeles County Arts Commission and the Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs.*

[STUDENT FEST](#)

A free showcase of films tailored to students. For over two decades PAFF has presented StudentFEST. Each year 6,000 to 7,000 Los Angeles city and county high school, middle school and elementary school students and their teachers attend this free program showcasing films dealing with issues important to youth, such as teen pregnancy, AIDS prevention, literacy, cultural and racial respect, teen self-esteem and gang prevention. Before and after the screenings, speakers working in areas related to the subject matter of the films conduct positive and interactive discussions with the students.

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**CHILDREN'S FEST**

Great fun for the entire family. Over 500 children, ages 4-12, and their parents enjoy FREE film screenings, storytelling, and interactive activities all reflecting and rooted in the beauty and artistry of the culture of Africa and its diaspora.

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**FASHION SHOW**

A fashion extravaganza showcasing the African fashions created by wearable art artist exhibiting in the PAFF ArtFEST. With beautiful women and handsome men, this is one of the most popular FREE events of the Festival, appealing to men, women, and teens.

**SPOKEN WORD FEST**

The 26th annual PAFF Spoken Word Fest is proud to feature Get Lit – Words Ignite, LA's leading literary & performing arts organization. Get Lit increases literacy, empowers youth, and inspires communities by fusing classic iconic poetry with young storytellers' original spoken word response pieces. Their youth ambassadors, the Get Lit Players, have traveled to the Kennedy Center, the White House, and beyond. Young poets from Get Lit will perform alongside celebrated poets from Leimert Park's arts community, and poets sourced from an open audition for your viewing pleasure! Your host, who also serves as Get Lit's manager of arts education is actor & poet Paul Mabon.

***Sun, Feb 11@7:00p***

**SENIOR CONNECTIONS**

Retired and still active seniors (ages 62+) enjoy a FREE, weekday afternoon screenings of select festival films between 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. It's a chance to socialize, meet other seniors, and get valuable information on programs and opportunities that make the golden years even better.