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Women Sports Film Festival Announces 2018 Dates and Kickoff Event

Film festival featuring women athletes to take place Sept. 27-29, 2018

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1, 2018 – The Women Sports Film Festival today announced the date for the third annual festival celebrating women athletes. The festival will take place on September 27-30, 2018 at Gray Area/Grand Theater in San Francisco’s Mission District.

This year’s festival will celebrate a variety of media, with podcasts, film, shorts and others being celebrated. “Our mission to celebrate and amplify the stories of female athletes and filmmakers through documentary film is more relevant than ever,” said Women Sports Film Festival Founder and Director Susan Sullivan. “Every film we screen has a strong, powerful woman or girl at the center of the story, with over 50% directed by a woman.”

The Third Annual Women Sports Film Festival kicks off on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at Impact Hub Oakland. The kickoff event will feature Wyomia Tyus, 1964 and 1968 Olympic Gold Medalist, in conversation with Dave Zirin, Sports Editor, The Nation. The event will celebrate Tyus’ new memoir *Tigerbelle: The Wyomia Tyus Story*.

The kickoff event will be co-sponsored by California State University East Bay’s Center for Sport and Social Justice. “The Women Sports Film Festival has an unmistakable urgency given the current political landscape. It’s still celebratory in its own way. The women in these films are so freaking bold. They blow me away with their courage and their tenacity,” said Rita Liberti, Professor, Cal State East Bay, founding director for the Center for Sport and Social Justice. “I’m just so taken by these personal stories and their ability to connect with other women. These are very powerful messages at this point.”

Full lineup and schedule will be announced at later date. For more information on the Women Sports Film Festival, visit: <http://www.womensportsfilm.com/>.

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