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**11TH ANNUAL CHELSEA FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES ITS  
2023 OPENING FILM  
THE DIRTY SOUTH**

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**October 5th, 2023**

**Chelsea, NY** — The 11th Annual Edition of Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) is releasing the list of films that are selected at this year’s edition. **131 films** have been selected in the 2023 Official Lineup.

**20 countries** are represented this year: France, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Bulgaria, Taiwan, Haiti, Israel, United Kingdom, Denmark, Turkey, China, Italy, Estonia, Mexico, Spain, Canada, Brazil, Cuba, Puerto Rico and The United States.

The Film below, includes the Run Time, Genre, Country of Origin and Director(s).

The **CFF** program will highlight Films from independent or emerging filmmakers through regular screenings and world premieres.

As Ingrid Jean-Baptiste, Founder of The Chelsea Film Festival, stated: **“Making the World a Better Place by Giving a Voice to the Unheard”**.

The **Chelsea Film Festival (CFF)** will hold its eleventh edition both in-person at **Regal Theatres 14th St.** October 12-15 (in-person) and online on FilmFestival+ (<https://filmfestivalplus.com>), also accessible through AppleTV) from October 12-31, 2023.

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# THE DIRTY SOUTH

Directed by Matthew Yerby

108 MIN | Action, Crime | United States | 2023  
World Premiere

Cast: Willa Holland, Shane West, Dermot Mulroney, Wayne Péré, Laura Cayouette, Gissette Valentin

Synopsis: In podunk Louisiana, Sue Parker (Willa Holland) manages the family bar, providing for her young brother and drunken father. Behind on their mortgage, the local big-wig, Jeb Roy (Dermot Mulroney), gives Sue 3 days to pay \$30k or he takes the property. With no options, Sue catches a wanderer, Dion (Shane West), stealing from her regulars. An idea strikes, and a partnership is set. But robbing powerful people in a small town has deadly consequences.

Followed by Q&A with Filmmaker & Cast.

**Location: REGAL Union Square, 850 Broadway New York, NY 10003**

**Date: Thursday, October 12th**

**Time: 6:00PM**

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**CFF** was founded by actresses Ingrid & Sonia Jean-Baptiste to give voices to the unheard by providing a platform to independent films and discovering new talents.

**Chelsea Film Festival** Board of Directors consists of renowned industry insiders: Paul Calderon, Elizabeth Kemp, Pascal Chemin and John Patrick Shanley.

The Advisory Board includes: Aaron Pierce, Bruno Chatelin, Kiki Lambden-Stout, Michel Abramowicz, Michael Ruotolo, Pascal Bonifay, Patrick Timsit, and Richard Stein.

**Our Mission:** Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) - 501(c)(3) non-profit cultural organization - is an international film festival, enlightening the work of emerging filmmakers, producers, and actors. It offers a wide range of films, such as shorts, documentaries, and feature-length pieces. It empowers the work of risk-taking storytellers and remains committed to its mission to discover and develop independent artists and audiences around the world.

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