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ERIE, PA- The Erie International Film Festival is proud to announce the dates and information for our 2019 international film festival that is slated to be held in the great City of Erie from Thursday December 12th through Saturday December 21st, 2019.

Now in our 5th year, our Festival introduces independent Filmmakers the world over to Erie Pennsylvania, as our City embraces the arts and culture that the worldwide filmmaking community delivers with new stories, and new points of view.

With close to 100 films slated to screen in this year's Festival, EIFF continues to celebrate new trends in digital media and recognizes Trans-media Filmmakers who employ an innovative, interactive, web-based or multi-platform approach to story creation, as well as traditional style films that will be presented to the public via state-of-the-art-technology.

In addition to our virtual and theatrical presentations that we offer each year, we would like to announce an electrifying new film presentation program that we have added to our Festival schedule this year dubbed the "Roaring 20's Dinner Theatre Gala" that will be produced in cooperation with one of Erie's most popular and unique locally owned establishments, ROOM 33, located at 1033 State St.

As Erie's only prohibition-inspired speakeasy style venue, ROOM 33 offers small plates and entrees, along with desserts, craft cocktails, an extensive wine and beer list, silent movies, and live music every weekend.

Founded by Rebecca Ann Styn, and intended to be a celebration of pre and post prohibition era in which everything beyond their secret bookcase entrance is reflected in the distinctive mood of the prohibition era.

Our inaugural Gala event is scheduled for Friday December 13th, 2019 as a one night only special event that will feature more than 20 of the most gripping, well done, and entertaining award nominated films from around the world and across the United States, special musical guest, the Rodger Montgomery Blues Band, along with a wide array of themed house specials that will include half off small plates, \$3 off specialty cocktails, \$7 Banana Cream Pie Martinis, and \$3 Railbender, all served up with the high level of service and style that ROOM 33 has earned a well deserved reputation for.

Considering the tone and atmosphere of the venue, the evening has been deemed a 1920's costume themed event that will truly create an authentic period vibe that will capture the real spirit of the era. While costumes are not required to attend this one-of-a-kind special Gala event, they certainly are encouraged.

The Roaring 20's Dinner Theatre Gala will open its doors at 4:30 PM, with the entire event starting sharply at 5PM. This Gala special event will be offered to the public at no charge with free admission.

Screening schedules for our Roaring 20's Dinner Theatre Gala, virtual and theatrical film presentations will be published on our website as soon as they are finalized, along with far more 2019 Festival information and details as they become available.

Please visit www.erieinternationalfilmfest.com for more information on 2019 film selections, film presentations, schedules, and other particulars. For more information on the Roaring 20's Dinner Theatre Gala event, please visit the Facebook Event Page at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1382494885259645/>