



Announcement: WorldFest-Houston Film Festival 2024

Dear WorldFest Community,

I hope this message reaches you in good health and spirits. We want to take a moment to express our sincere gratitude for your ongoing support of WorldFest-Houston. Your commitment to our festival has been instrumental in creating a platform that celebrates the art of fiercely independent cinema and supports the next generation of filmmakers.

It is with a heavy heart that we share the news that WorldFest-Houston will not be holding its annual film festival Public Screenings this year, originally scheduled for April 24 - 28. This decision was not made lightly, and we understand the disappointment it may bring to our dedicated participants, filmmakers, sponsors, and audience members.

Due to unforeseen circumstances and a commitment to maintaining the high standards that define WorldFest-Houston, we have decided to take a hiatus this year. This pause will allow us to regroup, strategize, and come back even stronger in the future.

We understand the impact this may have on those who have been eagerly anticipating this year's festival. We deeply appreciate your understanding and support during this challenging time for our festival family.

While we will miss the opportunity to come together in April, we are already looking forward to the next chapter of WorldFest-Houston. We remain dedicated to fostering the art of fiercely independent filmmaking and providing a platform for diverse voices to be heard all across the globe. For those who have entered the 2024 film festival, our jury remains hard at work to honor your creative excellence. We will be reaching out to WorldFest Remi Award winners in the coming months. This decision only affects the physical screening portion of WorldFest.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us at worldfesthouston@gmail.com.

Thank you once again for being an essential part of the WorldFest-Houston community. We look forward to reconnecting and celebrating the magic of cinema together in the near future.

We remain fiercely independent and in pursuit of creative excellence!

Very truly yours,

J. Hunter Todd and Kathleen Haney

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature on the left is a stylized, cursive signature that appears to be 'J. Hunter Todd'. The second signature on the right is also cursive and appears to be 'Kathleen Haney'.

Festival Founder and Program Director

WorldFest-Houston International Film Festival