We loved the festival and hope to remain involved in future years to come!

- Matthew Helderman, Producer of Little Men
Greenwich International Film Festival (GIFF) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that hosts a world-class film festival in Greenwich, CT, as well as events throughout the year. The festival’s goal is to bridge the worlds of film, finance and philanthropy. As part of its mission, GIFF harnesses the power of film to serve the greater good by highlighting social impact issues and supporting important causes. The 2016 festival served as a platform for human rights initiatives through its programming and through the donation of proceeds to five charity partners.

GIFF’s program featured inspiring social impact films, educational panels, and humanitarian awards. Since its inception, GIFF has been able to attract extraordinary art and film talent to the area. Financial donations to GIFF are used to showcase diverse, local and international film talent, to offer free community events, to give cash awards to filmmakers, and to provide financial assistance to charity partners.
THE PROGRAM  
BY NUMBERS

53
Narrative and Documentary Shorts and Feature Films

50%
Half of GIFF films were social impact films showcasing a diverse range of issues facing the world today:
- Human Rights
- Cyberbullying
- Gun Control
- Women’s issues
- Racial Injustice
- Prison Reform
- Religion
- Education Reform
- Self Help
- Environment
- Forced Migration

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Free Community Events:
Special Screenings:
- Oscar Contenders: Spotlight, The Revenant, The Big Short
- Holiday Screening of A Christmas Story
- Connecticut Premiere of Billions, followed by a Q&A with cast and crew

Educational Panels:
- Driving Social Change Through Investments In Film
- Women at the Top: Female Empowerment in Media
- From Book to Screen

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Countries Represented:
China, France, Poland, Canada, Israel, Iran, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Spain, Colombia, United States, Argentina

5
Films with Local Talent:
- Connecticut Premiere of Newtown
- The Nature of the Beast
- The Fundamentals of Caring
- My Blind Brother
- Wifey Redux
- Osprey: Marine Sentinel

“Congrats on a successful festival.”
~ Jenna Anthony, ESPN Films

Opening Night Films:
Little Boxes, The Anthropologist

Closing Night Films:
Claire in Motion, Since: The Bombing on Pan Am Flight 103

World Premiere: Germans and Jews
The Changemaker Gala

The Changemaker Gala is the most prestigious event of the Greenwich International Film Festival, honoring artists who’ve used their voice for positive social change. The 2016 Gala was held on June 10th with a cocktail reception at Betteridge, followed by an awards dinner at Richards. It celebrated three accomplished humanitarians, including Trudie Styler for her work with The Rainforest Fund, Freida Pinto for her support of Girl Rising, and Abigail Breslin for her support of the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

Thank you to our Master of Ceremonies, Kathie Lee Gifford, special guest Senator Richard Blumenthal and venue sponsors, Richards and Betteridge, for making the evening a memorable one for all who attended.
One thousand people came out to celebrate opening night at a star-studded party featuring musical performances by John Popper and Dar Williams, as well as an awards presentation by Kristin Davis, Head of the Social Impact Jury.

“\textit{It was a great festival and the films you selected were amazing! Looking forward to working with you guys again next year.}”

- Mark Lindsay, Juror
LOL: The Big Business of Comedy

A panel and after-party for 350 attendees featured some of the world’s best comedic directors, producers and actors, including panelists Richard Brener (Sex and the City, Wedding Crashers), Chris Bender (American Pie), Peter Principato (Wet Hot American Summer, Central Intelligence), Stuart Cornfeld (Zoolander, Tropic Thunder), and Will Arnett (Arrested Development).

“It was a pleasure serving on the jury and being at the fest! You and your colleagues did a fantastic job in producing a terrific selection of films, talent, events and seamless coordination on all fronts!”  - Asli Coker, Juror
Spotlight On John Turturro

Veteran actor John Turturro discussed his craft and career at this conversational event which benefited Community Access, an organization that provides care to the mentally ill.

Children’s Acting Workshop

200 children and their parents gathered at the Greenwich Country Day School Performing Arts Center to learn tips from the trade and enjoy a Meet&Greet with Jungle Book star Neel Sethi, and Bunk’d star Peyton List, as well as acting coach Matt Newton, Casting Director Adrienne Stern, and Moderator David Gideon.
8,500 ATTENDEES
8,500 people attended the 2016 festival, with a total of 10,000 attending events throughout the year.

99% OF ATTENDEES
would consider attending GIFF in the future. 100% would recommend GIFF to a friend.

“Great program, very diverse and well-structured. Opening Night was fabulous and well-thought through. I love that local organizers were used to make this all happen.”
- Festival attendee

EDUCATION
- 98% have a college degree;
- 45% have a graduate degree

AGE
- 18 - 24: 3%
- 25 - 44: 18%
- 45 to 64: 56%
- 65+: 23%

WHERE OUR AUDIENCE IS FROM
- Greenwich: 45%
- Greater Fairfield County: 32%
- Westchester: 9%
- New York City: 3%
- Outside of New York/Connecticut: 11%

INCOME
- 80% have a household income over $100,000,
- with 25% over $500,000
$35,000 in cash prizes were awarded to the winning filmmakers. Thank you to Kate & Jim Clark for underwriting the Shorts Awards, to the Ann Bresnan Foundation for underwriting the Best Social Impact Film Award, and to Jacob Burns Film Center for providing an Artist In Residence to the winner of the Best Social Impact Film.

**BEST NARRATIVE FEATURE FILM PRIZE**

**LITTLE MEN**
IRA SACHS

**BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE FILM PRIZE**

**HOOLIGAN SPARROW**
NANFU WANG

**BEST NARRATIVE SHORT FILM PRIZE**

**BEFORE THE BOMB**
TANNAZ HAZEMI

**BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT FILM PRIZE**

**ANOTHER KIND OF GIRL**
KHALDIYA JIBAWI
CHARITY PARTNERS

GIFF more than doubled its financial support to charity partners in 2016. A portion of festival proceeds went to five human-rights based non-profit organizations, including:

RAINFOREST FUND

The Rainforest Fund supports programs that cover a range of issues from protection of civil and political rights of indigenous and tribal peoples, to the promotion and defense of their social, economic and cultural rights.

www.rainforestfund.org

NATIONAL COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

The vision of NCADV is to create a culture where domestic violence is not tolerated; and where society empowers victims and survivors, and holds abusers accountable.

www.ncadv.org

GIRL RISING

Girl Rising uses storytelling to inspire action that gets girls into classrooms worldwide.

www.girlrising.com

COMMUNITY ACCESS

Community Access assists people with psychiatric disabilities in making the transition from shelters and institutions to independent living.

www.communityaccess.org

KRISTIN DAVIS FOUNDATION

The Kristin Davis Foundation supports a variety of human rights-based charity organizations including the UNHCR - UN Refugee Agency.

www.kristindavisfoundation.org
Greenwich International Film Festival generated $1.08 Million in revenue for the fiscal year August 1, 2015 to July 31, 2016. In addition to ticket and pass sales, paid sponsorships, submission fees, grants and financial donations, GIFF also received $235,696 of in-kind donations. In-kind donations include media sponsorships, restaurants, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, marketing materials, car and airline transportation, editing services, photography, decorations, and more.

*The financial information below does not include in-kind donations. Any budget surplus is used to fund future community programs.

**Earned Revenue**

- Tickets & Pass Sales: $551,496, 51%
- Submission Fees: $12,863, 1%

**Contributed Revenue**

- Sponsorships: $343,665, 32%
- Grants & Donations: $172,723, 16%

**Program Expenses**

- Festival Development & Program: $676,691, 64%
- Additional Events & Screenings: $11,630, 1%

**Other Expenses**

- Office & Administrative: $185,416, 18%
- Marketing, Communication & Technology: $95,868, 9%
- Charitable Donations: $86,000, 8%

*This is an unaudited financial report. For a copy of GIFF's audited financial statements, please contact Ginger Stickel or Maryann Ghirardelli at maryann@greenwichfilm.org or 203-717-1800.*
COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

It takes a village to put on a world-class film festival. GIFF is grateful for the support of its volunteers, staff, interns and community partners who help to make it all happen.

130 VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers ensure the best film-going experience possible for our patrons, filmmakers, jurors and attendees. 130 volunteers help to staff the festival, assisting with press & industry, box office, venues, event production, admissions, and more.

19 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

This year, GIFF expanded its internship program to include high school students. GIFF recruited interns from 4 high schools and 9 colleges, offering training opportunities for students in a variety of functions including: marketing, social media, sponsorship, programming, design, videography, photography, virtual reality, travel coordination, event planning, and more.

High Schools: Greenwich High School, Brunswick School, Weston High School, New Canaan High School

Colleges: SUNY Purchase, Manhattanville, Sacred Heart University, Quinnipiac, Fairfield University, Wellesley College, The Fashion Institute of Technology, Boston College, Dartmouth College

13 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Community partners help GIFF achieve a greater voice in Greenwich and beyond. GIFF has created strategic partnerships with a number of art and non-profit organizations that are mutually beneficial. Partnerships offer a range of opportunities from marketing to financial. Thank you to our 2016 community partners.

AJC
Avon Theatre
Boys & Girls Club
Bruce Museum
Caramoor
Connecticut Against Gun Violence
Cos Cob TV & Audio
Focus on French Cinema
GCDS
Greenwich Academy
Greenwich Arts Council
Greenwich High School
Greenwich Library
ICC Greenwich
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“The reviews in the New York Times, Village Voice, Daily Beast, Salon.com and Hollywood Reporter have been great. We are on our way and will always be thankful to you guys and the AJC. We are so lucky to have you as advocates. Thank you so much!”

- Tal Recanati, Executive Producer of Germans and Jews
From Top Left: Tonya Lewis Lee speaking at the Women at the Top panel, Rob Burnett & Paul Shaffer at the premiere of *The Fundamentals of Caring*, GIFF Founders Wendy Stapleton Reyes, Carina Crain & Colleen deVeer, Richards window display, Connecticut Premiere of *Newtown*, Musician Blessing Offor, From Book to Screen panelists including Margaret Nagle, Chris Clark, Jessica Knoll, Kathie Lee Gifford, Lacy Lynch, Adriana Trigiani, and David Ebershoff.