

## Film News: Chicago's 2018 Black Harvest Film Festival Opening Night is August 4th

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CHICAGO – One of the Windy City's greatest annual cultural events will open its 2018 edition at the Gene Siskel Film Center. The 24th Black Harvest Film Festival runs from August 4th through 30th, 2018, and features a cornucopia of African American themed features and shorts celebrating stories, dreams, history and legacy. Many of the screenings will include filmmaker appearances, including the Opening Night short film overview, "A Black Harvest Feast," featuring "Training Wheels" (directed by Sanicole), "Shotgun Wedding" (Derek Dow), "Stuck" (Praheme) and "Riverment" (Shaya Racquel).



August 4th-30th, 2018, at the Gene Siskel Film Center

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Opening Night kicks off the month of screenings, including the Sunday, August 5th "Ali and Cavett: The Tale of the Tapes," a look back at the unique relationship between Muhammed Ali and talk show host Dick Cavett (who will appear with director Robert S. Bader); short film programs with international, Chicago, urban life, love, family and women inspired themes; "The Color of Art" (Saturday, August 18th) will feature a perspective on artists of color in Chicago, and including a panel on the topic; and Closing Night will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of director Rusty Cundieff's rap satire "Fear of a Black Hat," with an appearance by the filmmaker. For more information and a complete schedule, [click here](#). [20]

*The 24th Annual Black Harvest Film Festival will run from August 4th through 30th, 2018. All films in the fest are screened at the Gene Siskel Film Center, 164 North State Street, Chicago.*



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