

Film News: DAY TWO of 54th Chicago International Film Festival Spotlights 'The Hate U Give'

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CHICAGO – DAY TWO of the 54th Chicago International Film Festival on Thursday, October 11th, 2018, features a Red-Carpet event for the hot American film "The Hate U Give." the beginning of Industry Days at the Fest, and the cranking into gear of the daily cinema offerings.



'The Hate You Give' on Day Two of the 54th Chicago International Film Festival
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EVENTS The Red Carpet for "The Hate You Give" kicks off at 6:30pm with special guests director George Tillman Jr. ("Soul Food"), lead actor Amandla Stenberg and producer Robert Teitel. INDUSTRY DAYS has its 'Midwest Panel' at 4pm. The screenings of the festival begin today.

FILM OF THE DAY "The Hate U Give" is based on a Young Adult novel by Angie Thomas, and centers on Starr Carter (Amandla Stenberg) who lives in a poverty stricken black neighborhood, but attends a mostly white prep school. When she witnesses one of her friends die during a police shooting by a white officer, she must find her voice between the pressures of the two worlds she lives in. Seemingly ripped from the headlines, the film has been getting some early Oscar buzz.

WATCH OUT FOR... the first two films of the OUTLOOK LGBTQ+ competition screens on 10/11, "Mario" (Switzerland) tells the story of two male soccer players whose love for each other threaten their pro careers, and "Rafiki" (KENYA) focuses on a relationship between two African teenage women, one a skateboarding tomboy and the other the daughter of a conservative local politician. When rumors begin to swirl, both

girls find themselves in great jeopardy. The Chicago International Film Festival has a tradition of highlighting LGBTQ+ films going back to the 1960s.

The 54th Chicago International Film Festival primarily takes place at the AMC River East 21, 322 East Illinois Street, Chicago from October 10th to October 21st, 2018. [Click here](#) [17] for film schedules, information and to purchase tickets.



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