

## CCFF2022: Preview of 'To Leslie' with Producer Ceci Cleary, May 14, 2022, at Music Box Theatre

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CHICAGO – The 9th Chicago Critics Film Festival (CCFF) is rolling right along as the second night will feature “To Leslie,” a redemption film that features an excellent Andrea Riseborough, directed by Michael Morris and produced by BluewaterLane Productions, who are represented by producer Ceci Cleary. The Fest continues through May 19th, click [CCFF](#) [16] for schedule and ticket info.

“To Leslie” features Andrea Riseborough as the title character, a based-on-truth woman who won a significant lottery, only to blow the largesse on nefarious activities. Broke and homeless, she tries to mend fences with her son James (Owen Teague) and return to her hometown to start over. After some drifting, she ends up at a hotel managed by Sweeney (Marc Maron) and the process of getting clean, cleaning hotel rooms and finding a purpose is the slow road to recovery. Director Michael Morris and producer Ceci Cleary will appear on behalf of the film at the 9th CCFF.



'To Leslie,' with Producer Ceci Cleary (inset) of BluewaterLane  
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The 9th Chicago Critics Film Festival returns after a truncated 2021 event and the 2020 pandemic cancellation. It is the the only Film Festival curated by film critics, and highlights the 2022 films from the early year festivals like Sundance and SXSW.

**In a Preview to a longer Podtalk with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, production Ceci Cleary, tells the amazing tale of getting “To Leslie” in production ...**

*The 9th Chicago Critics Film Festival runs from May 13th through May 19th, 2022, at the Music Box Theatre, 3733 North Southport, Chicago. For the CCFF website, [click here](#). [17]*



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