"Tras la estela de Shackleton" ("In the Wake of Shackleton") -Asia Premiere dir: Juan Diego Amador Rivero 40 min | Antarctica/Spain 2023

Exploration of Antarctica in the footsteps of Sir Ernest Shackleton.

1:00 pm Cu Li Never Lies -Nepal Premiere dir: Pham Ngoc Lan

> A woman tries to cling to the past, her niece looks to the future.

3:00 pm Curettage -Nepal Premiere dir: Sepideh Ghavami

> 12 min | Iran 2023 A pregnant woman tries to save the disabled fetus she is carrying.

The Last Wild Herd: Defending Yellowstone's Buffalo dir: Aayas Joshi/Anna Connors 13 min Nepal/United States 2024 Chronicling the management of the wild buffalo in the United States.

Көк Дарбаза (Blue Gate) -Nepal Premiere dir: Narghiza Dotieva

18 min | Kyrgyzstan 2024 A mysterious young man, a blind old woman and a shared past.

A Shadow Grows Within the Void dir: Sandeep Gn Yadav

27 min | India 2025 An overwhelmed housewife and mother dreams of escape.

Kottukkaali –Nepal Premiere –PG dir: Vinothrai PS

> 101 min | India 2023 A woman falls for a man from an 'oppressed' caste: a shaman tries to break the spell.

## 30 MAY | FRIDAY

11:00 am Ashima -Nepal Premiere dir: Kenii Tsukamoto

86 min | France/South Africa/Spain/United Kingdom/United States 2023 A rock climber is accompanied by her father in her ambitious adventure.

1:00 pm Land of Dreams dir: Ambarien Algadar

> 40 min | United States/India 2024 A taxi driver from India chases his dream in America.

Odyssea Borealis -Asia Premiere dir: Alessandro Beltrame

44 min | Greenland/Italy 2024 Four explorers travel to the untouched northwest face of 1,200 metre Drøneren in icy Greenland.

3:00 pm Sophie Lavaud - The Final Summit -Asia Premiere

dir: François Damilano 90 min | France/Pakistan 2024 A mountaineer attempts the last of 14 8,000metre peaks.

5:00 pm Without a Pedal - A Bicycle Film About Snowboarding -Nepal Premiere

dir: Nick Khattar/Johan Rosen 61 min | United States/Canada 2025

Chasing fame and riches, a gruelling bicycle journey

Signals of Life -Asia Premiere dir: Leandro Picarella

> 105 min | Italy/Switzerland 2023 Technical problems with the telescope forces an astrophysicist to focus on people around him.

## 31 MAY | SATURDAY

12:30 pm **Agent of Happiness** dir: Arun Bhattarai/Dorottya Zurbo

90 min | Bhutan 2024 An agent who measures people's happiness levels looks at his own life situation.

Cut.Katha Documentary Pitch (FREE ENTRY) 2:30 pm

Five Nepali women filmmakers pitch their short documentaries developed at the Cut. Katha pitch

Wildflowers - Asia Premiere 5:00 pm dir: Trixie Pacis

38 min | Canada 2024 Following on the trail of Mary Schäffer Warren, the Victorian era mountain explorer.

Winter Taiga -Nepal Premiere dir: Dominique Snyers 49 min | Mongolia/Belgium 2024

There is a choice between tradition and a new way of life in cold Mongolia.

#### 1 JUNE | SUNDAY

Silent Scars - World Premiere

dir: Gobinda Prasad Dhakal (In Person) 7 min | Nepal 2025

A mother scars her young son's fragile psyche. **Entropy** –Nepal Premiere

dir: Inuk Jørgensen 10 min | Greenland 2024 The Greenlandic ice sheet, celebrated in mythology, is under threat.

The Parkinsons Project -Asia Premiere dir: Jess James

52 min | Norway/United Kingdom 2024 Despite, or rather because of, Parkinson's disease Chris Hamper continues to pursue his passion for climbing.

Nelum Kuluna (Tentigo) -PG dir: Ilango Ram 105 min | Sri Lanka 2023

Two sons find that their dead father's penis is erect.

#### ASTREK PARK-CLIMBING WALL, THAMEL (FREE ENTRY)

## 29 MAY | THURSDAY

**Nepali Fiction** 

dir: Devendra Khatri (In Person)

43 min | Nepal 2023 A dark comedy about a drug deal going south.

Minus 103 Degrees dir: Feline Gerhardt 9:00 pm

13 min | United States/Germany 2024 Solo winter ascent of Denali via the Messner Couloir, a first.

9:30 pm Odyssea Borealis dir: Alessandro Beltrame

44 min | Greenland/Italy 2024 Four explorers travel to the untouched northwest face of 1,200 metre Drøneren in icy Greenland.

# 30 MAY | FRIDAY

**Climbing For Gold** dir: Vincent Groos

22 min | Belgium/United States 2024 Profile of Fre Leys, a Paralympic climber determined to secure victory at the 2023 World Championships in Salt Lake City.

8:30 pm Without a Pedal - A Bicycle Film About Snowboarding

> dir: Nick Khattar/Johan Rosen 61 min | United States/Canada 2025 Chasing fame and riches, a gruelling bicycle journey to Alaska.

Wildflowers 9:45 pm dir: Trixie Pacis 38 min | Canada 2024

Following on the trail of Mary Schäffer Warren, theVictorian era mountain explorer.

# 31 MAY | SATURDAY

**Wagging Tale** 

dir: Samagra Shah (In Person)

23 min | Nepal 2024 A short documentary about Rupak who has dedicated his life to caring for Kathmandu's street dogs.

8:45 pm

dir: Moe Wada 30 min | Japan/Pakistan 2023

Two Japanese climbers combine their youth and experience to ascend the previously unclimbed north face of Tirich Mir in

9:30 pm Sapana | Himalayan Trek to Dreams -Asia Premiere

dir: Cezarv Adamski 59 min | Nepal/Poland 2025

Cyclists travel the Annapurna Massif in Nepal and talk to people about their dreams.

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PG- Parental Guidance

GAA HALL, THAMEL (FREE ENTRY)

# 29 MAY | THURSDAY

Have You Seen My Gods? -World Premiere dir: Amitabh Ioshi

60 min | Nepal/United States 2025 In search of the stolen gods of Kathmandu.

8:30 pm Xizang Panorama

## 30 MAY | FRIDAY

Sawari Sahitya -World Premiere

dir: Taranga (In Person) 20 min | Nepal 2025

Painted trucks tell tales of labor, camaraderie, and the open road.

7:30 pm Xizang Panorama

Songs of Love and Hate 8:30 pm dir: Saurav Ghmire (In Person)

> 17 min | Nepal 2024 A heartbroken host of a radio programme that gives love advice disappears.

## 31 MAY | SATURDAY

**Above the Clouds -World Premiere** dir: Sonia V. Josserand Mercier (In Person)

2 min | Thailand 2024 Cit Limon climbs a pristine mountain but later finds it covered in trash.

Between The Mountain and The Sky dir: Jeremy Power Regimbal

94 min | Canada/Nepal/United States 2024 Resilient Maggie Doyne, a CNN Hero, cares for Nepali orphans in the face of loss.

# **EXHIBITIONS @ Kala Salon, Chhaya Center, Thamel**

• Maya: The Birth of a Superhero VR Installation

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• Breaking Code Red - Dignity without Danger Display • Kangchenjunga – The Five Pillars and the Five Treasures

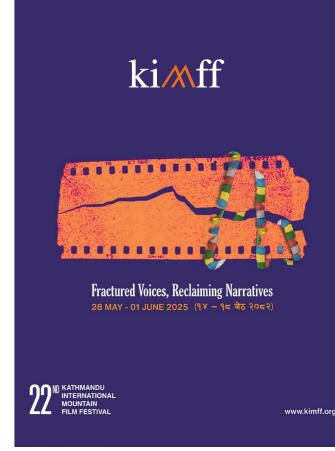
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# 28 May | WEDNESDAY

12:00 noon

Breaking Code Red | Screening & Panel Discussion (FREE ENTRY)

Chhau -World Premiere dir: Saja Sunuwar 39 min | Nepal 2024

Two young Nepali women follow the practice of chaupadi during their menstrual cycle.

3:00 pm

kimff 2025 Opening | Screening (by invitation only)

**Between The Mountain and The Sky** -Nepal Premiere dir: Jeremy Power Regimbal

94 min | Canada/Nepal/United States 2024 Resilient Maggie Doyne, a CNN Hero, cares for Nepali orphans in the face of loss.

6:00 pm

What Grows in Thari Maila's Vegetable Garden? -World Premiere dir: Patrika Ghimire (In Person)

14 min | Nepal 2025

There is turmoil below the idyllic surface of a childless couple's life.

Sawari Sahitya -World Premiere dir: Taranga (In Person)

20 min | Nepal 2025 Painted trucks tell tales of labor, camaraderie,

and the open road.

Mann Aasai –Nepal Premiere dir: Arivarasan R (In Person)

23 min | India 2024 A church sexton's search for burial space for his mother upends his world.

# 29 MAY | THURSDAY

12:00 noon

Xizang Panorama | Special Screening (FREE ENTRY)

西藏日与夜 (Days and Nights in Xizang) dir: Yiyan Lu

Lives change in Xizang in 30 years

布德之路 (Life of Buda) dir: lian Lu

The former serf becomes a hero.

雪豹和她的朋友们 (Snow Leopards and Friends) dir: Zhinong Xi

Three herders become protectors of the snow leopard.

我住江之头 (Where The Mighty Rivers Begin) dir: Qing Qin

Sanjiangyuan hold significant ecological and civilizational importance.

神奇动物在西藏 (Wild Wonders in Xizang) dir: Dazhen

Xizang wild asses, bar- headed geese, blacknecked cranes, Xizang antelope, and plateau pikas.

走进西藏 高原之歌 (Youthful Xizang) dir: Shiping Shen

Xinzang looks to the future while aware of its

स्वर्गको सबैभन्दा नजिकका मानिसहरू (The People Closest To Heaven)

> -World Premiere dir: Swek Rai

6 min | Nepal/United Kingdom 2024 Nepali-British youth embrace and reclaim their heritage.

In Between the Lines -World Premiere -PG

dir: Mahima Nawbagh (In Person) 15 min | Nepal 2025 A young woman is caught between her sick

mother and her lover. **Butterfly Bhutan** -Nepal Premiere

dir: Sonam Yangzom (In Person) 30 min | Bhutan 2024 One man's mission to save trees from Buddhist prayer flags.

Maitighar

dir: Marc Gurung 15 min | Nepal 2024 A high school girl is on the threshold of adulthood.

Songs of Love and Hate -Nepal Premiere dir: Sauray Ghmire (In Person)

17 min | Nepal 2024 A heartbroken host of a radio programme that gives love advice disappears.

(Sama) -Asia Premiere امس dir: Bachar Khattar

27 min | Lebanon/Germany 2024 Two young women, a Syrian refugee and a Lebanese citizen, pursue their passion for

6:30 pm

Abyss 'Beneath the Breath' -Nepal Premiere dir: Akriti Dhungana (In Person)

12 min | Nepal 2024

A new mother is overwhelmed with her situation as her husband tries to comprehend.

Sapana | Himalayan Trek to Dreams -Asia Premiere

dir: Cezary Adamski 59 min | Nepal/Poland 2025

Cyclists travel the Annapurna Massif in Nepal and talk to people about their dreams.

### 30 MAY | FRIDAY

10:00 am

Mikka Bannada Hakki - Birds of a **Different Feather - Nepal Premiere** dir: Manohara K

89 min | India 2024

A 12-year-old girl with albinism and disdained by society comes of age.

PG- Parental Guidance

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12:00 noon Save Our Snow | Screening & Panel Discussion (FREE ENTRY)

finds it covered in trash.

Downstream dir: Huw James

26 min | United States/Canada/France/ New Zealand/Switzerland 2024 A joint science and film project that explores the far-reaching effects of climate change and glacier loss.

**Confluence Shorts** dir: Neelima Vallangi | Nval Mueenuddin

**Above the Clouds** -World Premiere dir: Sonia V. Josserand Mercier (In Person) 2 min | Thailand 2024 Cit Limon climbs a pristine mountain but later

Ya Hanouni -Nepal Premiere dir: Lyna Tadount/Sofian Chouaib 3 min | France 2024

A father and a mother will their baby to speak Axie en de Wunder Dachsies (Axie and the Wunder Dachsies) -Asia Premiere

dir: Lisette Wansink 6 min | Belgium/Netherlands 2024 With her two dachshunds, Axie goes up the mountain in search of her knight in armour.

The Goddess dir: Shankar Dhital (In Person)

12 min | Nepal 2024 A son gifts his mother a statue of a goddess.

Lovely & Tip Top -Nepal Premiere dir: Yuki Ellias

30 min | India 2024 The charmed existence of a lingerie shop owner in dystopian India comes under threat.

4:00 pm **Enchanted Matter, The Art of Robert** Powell -Asia Premiere

dir: Tom Piozet (In Person) 60 min | United States 2025 An idealist young architect's improbable journey of self-discovery and love.

6:00 pm Life is Beautiful in Red and Blue -Asia Premiere - PG

dir: Aryan Bhandari (In Person) 14 min | Nepal 2024

The bond between two young brothers is tested when the younger discovers the older's secret.

Have You Seen My Gods? -World Premiere dir: Amitabh Ioshi

60 min | Nepal/United States 2025 In search of the stolen gods of Kathmandu.

#### 31 MAY | SATURDAY

11:00 am

I August Regnet Det en Dag (It Rained an August Day) dir: Ganesh Bista

14 min | Nepal/Norway 2023 A father and daughter discover a shared love for colours.

**Ghamar Taj** -World Premiere dir: Hadi Zarei/Mehdi Zarei

71 min | Iran 2024

A nomad matriarch and her ill husband refuse to give up their way of life.

1:00 pm Case -Nepal Premiere dir: Jivan Dahal (In Person)

10 min | Nepal 2024

A talented musician fights his demons while his partner stands by him.

Helena -Nepal Premiere dir: Ayarush Paudel

13 min | Nepal/United Arab Emirates 2023 A Nepali migrant worker in UAE is asked by her son to send him a laptop.

Family Man -Asia Premiere dir: Kalani Gacon (In Person)

17 min | Nepal/Australia/Germany 2024 Refuge in a house during a storm brings back memories of his father.

काफल पाको आषाढ (Bayberries Ripen in the Monsoon) -Nepal Premiere dir: Pulkit Tomar (In Person)

20 min | India 2024 Calling a bird with bayberries, a letter to a distant land and a struggle for existence.

3:00 pm **Between Waves -**Asia Premiere dir: Luke Kaneb

12 min | United States 2024 A look at the motivations of an Italian Olympian sailor as she inspires others.

'नन्द' (Nanda) -World Premiere dir: Àman Shahi (In Person)

15 min | Nepal 2025 One man's struggles to keep a dying musical tradition alive.

The Unstoppable Man -Asia Premiere dir: Saroj Sharma Sapkota (In Person) 15 min | Nepal 2024

Morî -Nepal Premiere dir: Yakup Tekintangac

19 min | Turkey 2024 Mori bonds with his new teacher who reminds him of his late father.

Gopal faces challenges that life throws at him.

5:00 pm The Lama's Son -World Premiere dir: Kesang Tseten

72 min | Nepal 2025 In the face of modernity and climate change, for the people of 'shangri-la' the future lies elsewhere.

After the Snowmelt -Nepal Premiere dir: Yi-Shan LO

108 min | Nepal/Taiwan 2024 Returning to the cave in Nepal where Yueh was trapped for 47 days.

## 1 JUNE | SUNDAY

12:00 noon Stories Of Girls, With Girls, By Girls

Screening & Panel Discussion (FREE ENTRY)

**She Creates Change** dir: Martha Adams

30 min | Bangladesh/India/Nepal/Sri Lanka/ Tanzania/United Republic of/Vietnam/ United States 2024

Six women in six countries confront challenges in their lives.

Let Her Learn -Suman's Story dir: Sabrina Dangol/Suman Rauniyar 5 min | Nepal 2025

The Plant Whisperer -Anuska's Story Sabrina Dangol/Anuska Rawal

5 min | Nepal 2025

2:00 pm **Bring Them Home -Asia Premiere** 

dir: Ivan MacDonald/Ivv MacDonald/ **Daniel Glick** 

86 min | United States 2024 Bringing the wild buffalo to the land that belonged to the Blackfeet community.

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28 MAY | WEDNESDAY

Kathmandu Doc Lab Pitch –(FREE ENTRY)

Live documentary pitching event for projects incubated during the inaugural Kathmandu Doc Lab.

3:30 pm

Screening (by invitation only)
Between The Mountain and The Sky -Nepal Premiere

dir: Jeremy Power Regimbal (In Person) 94 min | Canada/Nepal/United States 2024 Resilient Maggie Doyne, a CNN Hero, cares for Nepali orphans in the face of loss.

Mongolie la Voie deL'aigle (Mongolia, The Way of The Eagle)

dir: Hamid Sardar 90 min | Mongolia/France 2024 A Kazakh nomad girl's desire to be an 'eagle master' disrupts the established order in an ancient art.

#### 29 MAY | THURSDAY

11:00 am

Minus 103 Degrees -Asia Premiere dir: Feline Gerhardt 13 min | United States/Germany 2024

Solo winter ascent of Denali via the Messner Couloir, a first.

Ruby Hunters -Asia Premiere 21 min | Myanmar 2024

Amid the civil war, the toils and dreams of Myanmar's artisanal ruby miners.