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International Screenwriters Festival launches programme

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The second International Screenwriters Festival officially launched its 2007 programme at a reception in its host town of Cheltenham.

The new additions include:

- Michael Goldenberg (*Harry Potter and the Order of The Phoenix*),
- Abi Morgan and Sarah Gavron and director *Brick Lane* with Katherine Butler Film4
- Sarah Smith – Head Of Feature Development Aardman Animations
- David Kavanagh CEO Irish Playwrights' and Screenwriters' Guild
- Simon Hunter - writer/director *The Mutant Chronicles*
- Rachel Robey - producer *London To Brighton*
- Ed Blum - producer/director *Scenes Of A Sexual Nature*
- Rowan Joffe – writer & director *Secret Life*
- Antonio Saura and Inés París - producer & writer/director *Miguel And William*
- Pere Roca – producer, trainer, developer *The Machinist* and *Beyond Reanimator*
- Simon Oakes CEO Hammer Film
- Isabelle Raynauld Screenwriter and Professor of Screenwriting Montreal University
- David Thompson BBC Films
- David Kavanagh Irish Playwrights and Screenwriters Guild
- Raj Presaud Psychiatrist – Writers Block
- Jake West (*Evil Aliens*)

They join an already packed programme of major names, including: Diana Ossana (*Brokeback Mountain*) Bill Nicholson (*Gladiator*), David Hare (*The Hours*), Anthony Horowitz (*Stormbreaker*), Shawn Slovo and Robyn Slovo (*Catch A Fire*), Ashley Pharoah, (*Life On Mars*) Tony Jordan (*Hustle*).

'We again have an outstanding line up of names from film and TV in this unique and much needed forum for screenwriters from around the globe,' said David Pearson, Festival Director and Producer Arturi Films.

"We already have hundreds of delegates registered to attend including from the US, Spain, Denmark, Canada, South America, Australia, Italy, South Africa and Germany."

Sponsors include: Cheltenham Borough Council, South West Screen, UK Film Council, 4Talent, Arturi Films, Manor By The Lake, ITV, Wiggin, Skillset, BAFTA, LSC, & Ealing Studios.

At the launch event at Cheltenham Film Studios, organisers announced that Scottish Screen and the Glasgow Film Office had also signed up as sponsors.

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