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Terence Davies joins screenwriters festival

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Terence Davies, director of *House Of Mirth*, *Distant Voices*, *Still Lives*, and *The Long Day Closes*, has joined a packed line-up of speakers for the second International Screenwriters Festival.

Liverpool-born Davies is one of the UK's most influential directors. The British Film Institute has restored *Distant Voices Still Lives*, which has been picking up worldwide sales, including to France at Berlin this year.

And he is still pioneering. *ScreenDaily* reveals today that his documentary *Whispers And Lies* is shortlisted for a digital film initiative. The event takes place on July 3-6 in the UK town of Cheltenham.

Davies will join a list of speakers that includes Diana Ossana (*Brokeback Mountain*), Michael Goldenberg (*Harry Potter And The Order Of The Phoenix*), Anthony Horowitz (*Stormbreaker*), Shawn Slovo and Robyn Slovo (*To Catch A Fire*) and Abi Morgan (*Brick Lane*).

The festival quickly established itself last year as an important international event, attracting big names from across the business, as well as writers from around the world.

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