

Saturday, June 13th

10:30 AM	IN COMPETITION + SCREENING FOR THE JURY HOUSE OF CINEMA Animol - Regia di Ashley Walters Drama, 2026, Great Britain Joi Productions	1h30'
11:00AM	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Toby Jones	
11:30 AM	CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Gore Verbinski	
12:00	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A A conversation with Micaela Ramazzotti	
12:15 IN	COMPETITION + SCREENING FOR THE JURY HOUSE OF CINEMA The Pure Street - Directed by Alfredo Chiarappa Documentary Genre, 2025, Italy/United States	1h40'
12:30pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Sam Nivola	
2.00pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A Russell Crowe - meeting with students	
14:20	Q&A CON Russell Crowe	
14:30	PRESS CONFERENCE - Bear Country con Russell Crowe, Aaron Paul, Nina Dobrev, Derrick Borte, Daniel Zovatto, Mark Fasano, Jeffrey Greenstein	
3:30 PM	IN COMPETITION + SCREENING FOR THE JURY CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B Good Luck, Have Fun, Don't Die Directed by Gore Verbinski Cast: Sam Rockwell, Haley Lu Richardson, Michael Peña, Zazie Beetz Genre: Adventure, Germany, USA 2025 Distributed by Vertice360	2h15'
4:00 PM	TRIBUTES AT THE HOUSE OF CINEMA Happiness - Directed by Micaela Ramazzotti Drama Genre, Italy, 2023 Distributed by 01 Distribution	1h44'
5.45pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Miriam Leone	
6:00 PM	TRIBUTES TO THE HOUSE OF CINEMA Lumière – The adventure of cinema Regia di Thierry Frémaux Documentary Genre, France, 2024 Distributed by Cineteca di Bologna	1h44'
6:30 PM	CONGRESS CENTER - ROOM B I Wish You All the Best - Regia di Tommy Dorfman Introducing the film are Tommy Dorfman and Corey Fogelmanis Drama Genre - USA, 2024 distribuito da Notorious Pictures SIDE EVENT - La Botte Restaurant, Piazza S. Domenica, 4, Taormina - Photographic Exhibition of the Taormina Festival over the Years - FREE ENTRY	1h33'

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8.30pm **JURY** Jane Campion, Miyako Bellizzi, Francine Maisler, Akinola Davies Jr., Holly Hunter, Sue Kroll, Pietro Castellitto

GUESTS
Toby Jones, Connie Nielsen, Micaela Ramazzotti, Franco Nero, Russell Crowe, Aaron Paul, Nina Dobrev, Derrick Borte, Mark Fasano, Jeffrey Greenstein, Gore Verbinski, Miriam Leone, Sam Nivola

GODMOTHER
Anna Valle

PERFORMANCE
Sarah Toscano e Alexia

SPECIAL GUEST
Sergio Friscia

PRIZE
TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL BEST MUSIC AWARD ad Alexia

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL BEST MUSIC AWARD a Sarah Toscano

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD a Russell Crowe

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL AWARD to Gore Verbinski

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD a Toby Jones

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL CREATIVITY AWARD to Sergio Friscia

Taormina Film Festival Award to Micaela Ramazzotti

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD a Miriam Leone

FILM
Bear Country (World Premiere)
directed by Derrick Borte
con Russell Crowe, Nina Dobrev, Aaron Paul,
Derrick Borte, Daniel Zovatto, Mark Fasano,
Jeffrey Greenstein,
Genre: Action, Thriller
United States, 2026
distributed by Filmclub
Distribution

Sunday, June 14th

10:00 AM IN COMPETITION + SCREENING FOR THE JURY
HOUSE OF CINEMA
Gropiusstadt Supernova
Directed by Ben Voit
Drama, 2026, Germany

10:00AM **CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A**
CONVERSATION with Michele Placido

10:30AM **CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM A**
CONVERSATION with Alessandro Preziosi

11AM **CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A**
CONVERSATION with Franco Nero

11:30 **CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM A**
CONVERSATION with Connie Nielsen

12:00 **CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A**
CONVERSATION with Tony Renis

12:30 **CONGRESS CENTRE - GREEN ROOM**
CONVERSATION with Paola Navone

2.00pm **CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A**
CONVERSATION with Scott Eastwood

2.30pm OUT OF COMPETITION
CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B
Deep Water - Directed by Renny Harlin
Genre Action/Thriller, 2025, Spain,
New Zealand, USA,
distributed by Notorius Pictures

3:00 PM SHORT FILM COMPETITION **HOUSE OF CINEMA**
Spalla a Spadda - Directed by Louis Nabil Djalili 48'
Mud - Directed by Daniele Gonciaruk 20'09"

3:30 PM **CONGRESS CENTER - GREEN ROOM**
CLOSING PRESS CONFERENCE
THE JURY IS PRESENT
Jane Campion, Miyako Bellizzi, Francine Maisler, Akinola
Davies Jr., Holly Hunter, Sue Kroll, Pietro Castellitto

4:30 PM TRIBUTES
CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B
Waiting for King Lear - Directed by Alessandro
Preziosi, Documentary, 2024, Italy 1h26'

6:00 PM FREE GIFTS
CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B
The Estate
Directed by Carlo Gabriel Nero
Thriller Genre, 2025, Great Britain 1h53'

SIDE EVENT
La Botte Restaurant - Piazza S. Domenica, 4, Taormina
Photographic exhibition on the Taormina Festival over the years
FREE ADMISSION

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8.30pm **JURY** Jane Campion, Miyako Bellizzi, Francine Maisler, Akinola Davies Jr., Holly Hunter, Sue Kroll, Pietro Castellitto

GUESTS Alessandro Preziosi, Tony Renis, Vittorio Grigolo, Sam Nivola, Connie Nielsen, Miles Teller, Donatella Finocchiaro, Franco Nero, Corey Fogelmanis, Tommy Dorfman, Carol Alt, Michele Placido, Scott Eastwood
Adnkronos' Elvira Terranova interviews Franco Nero

GODMOTHER Anna Valle

PERFORMANCE Vittorio Grigolo, Agostino Penna, Violante Placido

SPECIAL GUESTS Roberto Lipari, Claudio Lauletta, Gigi and Ross, Paolo Rossi

JURY AWARDS
BEST SHORT FILM AWARD
GOLDEN CARIDDINO AWARD
ENEL ARCA AWARD
BEST ACTRESS AWARD
BEST ACTOR AWARD
BEST DIRECTOR AWARD
BEST FILM AWARD

PRIZE
TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD a Franco Nero

Flavio Natalia presents the Sala Grande Award to Pietro Castellitto

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL CREATIVITY AWARD to Roberto Lipari, Claudio Lauletta, Gigi and Ross

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD a Connie Nielsen

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD to Sam Nivola

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL BEST MUSIC AWARD to Vittorio Grigolo

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL AWARD for "WAITING FOR KING LEAR" to Alessandro Preziosi

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL AWARD
Paul Rossi

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL CAREER MUSIC AWARD a Tony Renis

Taormina Film Festival Rising Star Award to Sam Nivola

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD a Michele Placido

TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD a Scott Eastwood

FILM Fuze
regia di David Mackenzie
Genre: Action, - United Kingdom, 2025
distributed by 01 Distribution 1h38'



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plan
 2026




Wednesday, June 10




10:30 AM	COMPETITION HOUSE OF CINEMA SCREENING FOR THE PUBLIC AND THE JURY Erica Directed by Taro Miyaoka Genre: Horror/Thriller, 2026 - Japan, produced by Media Mix Japan Company (MMJ)	1h23'
12:00 PM	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A OPENING PRESS CONFERENCE	
12:30 PM	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with the cast of House of the Dragon	
2:30 PM	SCREENING CLOSED FOR THE JURY HOUSE OF CINEMA Hear the Yellow Directed by Banu Sivaci Genre Drama, 2026, Türkiye produced by Anfilm, Anagraf Films, Aslanyurek Film Production	1h44'
2:30 PM	GIFTS AT THE CONGRESS HALL - ROOM B Sandokan Directed by Jan Maria Michelini, Nicola Abbatangelo Adventure Genre - Italy, 2025, RAI Cinema	1h44'
3:30 PM	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Emile Hirsch	
4:30 PM	IN COMPETITION HOUSE OF CINEMA Roya - Directed by Mahnaz Mohammadi Drama Genre - Iran, Luxembourg, Czech Republic Germany, 2026	1h36'
5:00 PM	CONGRESS HALL COMPETITION - ROOM B Hear the Yellow - Regia di Banu Sivaci Drama, 2026, Türkiye produced by Anfilm, Anagraf Films, Aslanyurek Film Production	1h44'
6:00 PM	SHORT FILM COMPETITION HOUSE OF CINEMA Islands Without a Sea - Directed by: Greta Bagli, Cecilia Federico, Grace Prestifilippo, Sara Robusto, Clara Milazzo Me and Freddie - A Kind of Magic I laugh Directed by Francesco Santocono Directed by Francesco Lama SIDE EVENT La Botte Restaurant - Piazza S. Domenica, 4, Taormina Photographic exhibition on the Taormina Festival over the years. FREE ENTRY.	30'32" 22" 18'14"

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8:30 PM	JURY Jane Campion, Miyako Bellizzi, Francine Maisler, Akinola Davies Jr., Holly Hunter, Sue Kroll, Pietro Castellitto GUESTS Francesca Archibugi, Clotilde Courau, Romana Maggiora Vergano, Fernanda Torres, Paola Minaccioni, Emile Hirsch, Paola Egonu GODMOTHER Anna Valle PERFORMANCE Malika Ayane SPECIAL GUEST Uccio De Santis WOMEN BEYOND THE GAZE PANEL PLAQUE Jane Campion, Anna Valle, Sue Kroll, Fernanda Torres, Clotilde Courau, Malika Ayane, and Donatella Finocchiaro Francine Maisler, Paola Minaccioni, Francesca Archibugi Romana Maggiora Vergano, Holly Hunter, Miyako Bellizzi GUESS AWARD to Anna Valle PRIZE TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL SPORT AWARD to Paola Egonu TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD a Emile Hirsch FILM House of the Dragon (season 3 preview) The Cast is present Fantasy Genre - United Kingdom, 2026 distributed by HBO Max	1h23' 1h44' 1h44' 1h36'
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Thursday, June 11



09:30 AM	TAORMINA AUTONOMOUS CONGRESS CENTRE - GREEN ROOM FACE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INVITATION-BY-EVENT	
10:00pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Abbie Cornish	
10:30 AM	SCREENING CLOSED FOR THE JURY HOUSE OF CINEMA ROYALTY Directed by Mahnaz Mohammadi Drama Genre - Iran, Luxembourg, Czech Republic, Germany, 2026	1h32'
11:40 AM	CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B Panel "Women Beyond the Gaze" <i>Speakers:</i> Jane Campion, Anna Valle, Sue Kroll, Fernanda Torres, Clotilde Courau, Malika Ayane, Donatella Finocchiaro, Francine Maisler, Paola Minaccioni, Francesca Archibugi, Romana Maggiora Vergano, Holly Hunter, Miyako Bellizzi	
12:30pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Can Yaman	
2:00 PM	OUT OF COMPETITION - HOUSE OF CINEMA The Struggle for Mother Water (2 episodi) Directed by Michael Zelniker Michael Zelniker introduces the episodes Documentary Genre, Canada, 2026	1h44'
3.30pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Marco D'Amore	
4.10pm	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Clive Owen	
4.40pm	IN COMPETITION CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A The Leader - Directed by Michael J. Gallagher Tim Blake Nelson and Michael J. Gallagher introduce the film Genre: Thriller, USA/Canada, 2026	1h44'
6:30 PM	OUT OF COMPETITION CONGRESS HALL - ROOM B Lemons in Warsaw - Directed by Bruno Colella The film is introduced by Bruno Colella and Nino Frassica, Ninni Bruschetta, Lina Sastri, Eugenio Bennato Comedy Genre, 2026, Italy SIDE EVENT La Botte Restaurant - Piazza S. Domenica, 4, Taormina Photographic exhibition on the Taormina Festival over the years. FREE ENTRY.	1h30'

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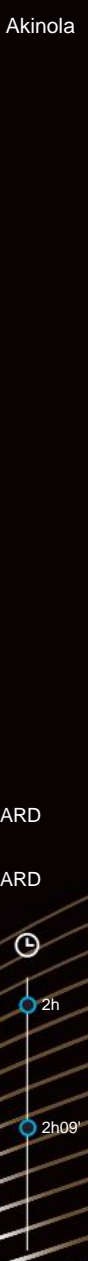
8.30pm	JURY Jane Campion, Miyako Bellizzi, Francine Maisler, Akinola Davies Jr., Holly Hunter, Sue Kroll, Pietro Castellitto GUESTS Clive Owen, Fernanda Torres, Can Yaman, Nino Frassica, Abbie Cornish, Tim Blake Nelson, Michael J. Gallagher, Bruno Colella, Ninni Bruschetta, Lina Sastri, Eugenio Bennato, Grace Caroline Currey, Michael Zelniker GODMOTHER Anna Valle PERFORMANCE Giusy Ferreri and Eugenio Bennato SPECIAL GUESTS Pio e Amedeo PRIZE TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL COMEDY AWARD for "OH VITA MIA" to Pio and Amedeo TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD a Abbie Cornish TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL ICON AWARD to Can Yaman TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL AWARD a Clive Owen TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD to Nino Frassica TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD a Fernanda Torres TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL BEST MUSIC AWARD to Giusy Ferreri TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL SPECIAL SUSTAINABILITY AWARD a Michael Zelniker FILM IN COMPETITION Little miracle directed by Guido Chiesa Cast: Marco D'Amore, Greta Scarano Drama Genre Italy, 2026, distributed by 01 Distribution GIFT Beautiful directed by Luchino Visconti Drama Genre Italy, 1951	1h42' 1h54'
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Friday, June 12



8:00 AM	TRIBUTES - HOUSE OF CINEMA I'm Still Here - Directed by Walter Salles Drama/Historical Genre - Brazil, France, 2024, distributed by Bim Distribuzione	2h15'
10:40	CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Helen Mirren	
11:40	CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Brunello Cucinelli, Saul Nanni	
12:00 PM	SHORT FILM COMPETITION - HOUSE OF CINEMA To the Ruins - Directed by Biagio Cilia, Marco Farruggio Tina - Gaetano Di Gaetano	11'51" 13'45"
12:45	CONGRESS HALL - ROOM A CONVERSATION with Emmanuelle Seigner	
2:00 PM	SHORT FILM COMPETITION HOUSE OF CINEMA Gerry - Directed by Salvatore Lizzio, Daniele Bonarini Terry George and the directors introduce the screening	14'50"
2:30 PM	SCREENING CLOSED FOR THE CASA DEL CINEMA JURY The Leader - Directed by Michael J. Gallagher Genre: Thriller, USA/Canada, 2026	1h44'
3:00 PM	OUT OF COMPETITION - CONGRESS CENTER - ROOM B Barco - Regia di Luis Ernesto Doñas Drama, 2025, Italy/Cuba Produced by Pointmedia Italia - De la Huerta Producciones	1h48'
4:00 PM	SHORT FILM COMPETITION HOUSE OF CINEMA The Triona Stone - Directed by Riccardo Cannella One, Two, One Hundred - Directed by Emanuele Gallo Hold on to Me - Directed by Luca Arcidiacono	25" 9'2" 18"
4:50 PM	CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B CONVERSATION with Luis Ernesto Doñas, Giancarlo Giannini	
5:00 PM	OUT OF COMPETITION HOUSE OF CINEMA A Journey to Meet Mimi - Directed by Alfredo Lo Piero Documentary Genre - Italy, 2024 distributed by Green Film	1h08'
5:30 PM	TRIBUTES - CONGRESS CENTRE - ROOM B The Piano Lessons - Directed by Jane Campion Jane Campion and Holly Hunter star in the film. Drama Genre - Australia, France, New Zealand, 1993	2h
6:00 PM	SIDE EVENT - Amore Art Gallery Corso Umberto 54, Taormina Emile Hirsch inaugurates the exhibition of his paintings La Botte Restaurant - Piazza S. Domenica, 4, Taormina Photographic exhibition on the Taormina Festival over the years. FREE ENTRY.	

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