

PRISCILLA

THE HOTLY ANTICIPATED NEW FILM FROM SOFIA COPPOLA TO CLOSE THE
JIO MAMI MUMBAI FILM FESTIVAL 2023



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The Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival (October 27 to November 5) is excited to announce that this year's **Closing Night** film will be Sofia Coppola's *Priscilla*. Written and directed by Coppola, *Priscilla* is based on the 1985 memoir *Elvis and Me* written by Priscilla Presley and Sandra Harmon. The film stars **Cailee Spaeny** (*Mare of Easttown, Bad Times at the El Royale*) as Priscilla, **Jacob Elordi** (*Euphoria, The Kissing Booth*) as Elvis Presley, and **Dagmara Dominczyk** (*Succession, Bottoms, The Lost Daughter*).



The film will receive its South Asia Premiere on Friday November 3, at the PVR Maison in BKC, following a successful World Premiere at the 80th Venice International Film Festival, where the film received a seven minute standing ovation. Cailee Spaeny was also awarded the Volpi Cup for Best Actress for her portrayal of Priscilla.

SYNOPSIS

When teenage Priscilla Beaulieu meets Elvis Presley at a party, the man who is already a meteoric rock-and-roll superstar becomes someone entirely unexpected in private moments: a thrilling crush, an ally in loneliness, a vulnerable best friend. Through Priscilla's eyes, Sofia Coppola tells the unseen side of a great American myth in Elvis and Priscilla's long courtship and turbulent marriage, from a German army base to his dream-world estate at Graceland, in this deeply felt and ravishingly detailed portrait of love, fantasy, and fame.

Director of Photography on the film is Philippe Le Sourd, Costume Designer Stacey Battat, Editor Sarah Flack and Production Designer Tamara Deverell. The film was produced by Lorenzo Mieli for The Apartment Pictures, a Fremantle Company, Sofia Coppola for American Zoetrope, and Youree Henley. The film was financed by Fremantle Group.

Anu Rangachar, Head of International Programme at Jio MAMI, says *“In Priscilla, Sofia Coppola's storytelling is bold in exploration and delicate in expression. Based on a self-expressed story of love, Cailee Spaeny in the titular role, shines like a diamond in this nuanced tale about teenage dreams and toxic love . We are delighted to announce Priscilla as the closing film at the Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival.”*

MUBI owns all rights to *Priscilla* in India. *Priscilla* will be coming soon to cinemas across India via MUBI in partnership with PVR Inox Pictures. Commenting on the South Asia premiere, **Svetlana Naudiyal, Programming Director, Asia, MUBI said,** *“We are thrilled to continue our long-standing partnership with the prestigious Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival, celebrating our shared love for cinema. Through this collaboration, we are excited to hold the South Asia premiere of Sofia Coppola's acclaimed film Priscilla. The title has received widespread recognition worldwide and is highly anticipated among the India audiences.”*

Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival is back with its on-ground edition after three years, complete with a new vision to host the world's biggest and most prestigious South Asian Film Festival. The festival is focused on building an ecosystem for new cinematic voices, facilitating the exchange of ideas, collaborations, and business opportunities, while bringing the best of world cinema to Mumbai.



Notes to editors:

About Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival

Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival, organised by the Mumbai Academy of Moving Image (MAMI), has brought the best of contemporary world cinema and talent to the city of Mumbai since 1997. With its new expanded vision to spotlight South Asian and South Asian diaspora filmmakers, Jio MAMI becomes the hub for South Asia, discovering and connecting emerging talent to the worldwide festival ecosystem.

Along with celebrating cinematic excellence and bringing joy to our audiences, we aim to facilitate the exchange of ideas and provide easy access to information related to filmmaking, funding, film distribution, business opportunities, and strategic marketing support for films and filmmakers. The festival also conducts a robust Year-Round Programme that acts as a hub for creators and cinephiles through screenings, networking opportunities, access to labs and workshops for skill development, masterclasses, and, very importantly, creating a community of cinema lovers.

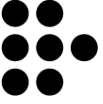
The Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival is taking place from Friday, October 27 to Sunday, November 5, 2023, in Mumbai, India.

About MUBI

MUBI is a global streaming service, production company and film distributor dedicated to elevating great cinema. MUBI creates, curates, acquires and champions visionary films, bringing them to audiences all over the world.

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