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Clare Valley Film Festival & European Independent Film Festival announce a new partnership

The Clare Valley Film Festival is excited to announce a new partnership with one of Europe's leading film festivals, showcasing Australian talent in Paris!



Our new partner, The European Independent Film Festival (ÉCU) has a commitment to bring worldwide attention to European independent filmmakers through a highly esteemed competitive festival, including five foreign categories open to independent filmmakers from around the world. In tandem with the aim of Clare Valley Film Festival (CVFF) to showcase Australian talent worldwide, five winning films from CVFF will be automatically selected for ÉCU, including the winner of the Clewers 24 Hour Film Challenge. We are excited that real home-grown talent will be showcased at this prestigious festival in the heart of Europe. The festival will take place in Paris March 30th, 31st and April 1st 2012.

Image: Scott Hillier, ÉCU President and Australian Director / Cinematographer / Screenwriter / Producer based in Paris

Notes to the Editor

Clare Valley Film Festival - 29 March to 31 March 2012

The Clare Valley Film Festival showcases Australian and international independent film, as well as informing and inspiring a new generation of filmmakers through the Clewers Film Challenge, meanwhile raising the profile of this vibrant and diverse area – the Clare Valley. CVFF screens up to 50 films in its official program at the state of the art Blyth Cinema, near Clare, with the closing Awards Gala presenting *Best Australian Short Film*, *Best International Short Film*, *Audience Choice Award*, the *Clewers 24 Hour Film Challenge* winner and this year's new award, *Best Moving Image*. We invite Indie filmmakers to submit their films to the 2012 programme at www.clarevalleyfilmfestival.com

ÉCU - The European Independent Film Festival

The European Independent Film Festival (ÉCU) continues its commitment of being at the centre of discovery, promotion and projection of the very best independent filmmaking talent from around the world. ÉCU will showcase filmmakers whose films demonstrate quality, innovation and independence in both form and content. There are thirteen categories of films in this highly esteemed competitive festival. ÉCU is continually searching for the world's best indie films and perhaps you've got it. ÉCU would like to invite you to submit your film to the 2012 edition of the festival, which will be held in Paris, France from March the 30th to April the 1st, 2012. Independent filmmakers are invited to submit their films at www.ecufilmfestival.com



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