



## Press Coverage of the 33rd TIFF Opening Ceremony On Saturday, October 31, 2020 (Photographers / Journalists)

To Members of the Press:

The Tokyo International Film Festival (TIFF) will hold an **Opening Ceremony on Saturday, October 31, 2020**. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 we will not be able to hold a Red Carpet event of the same scale as in past years at Roppongi Hills Arena. However, we hope you will join us and our special guests at the **Tokyo International Forum Hall C (Hall C)** on October 31.

### PRE-REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY

To prevent COVID-19 infections, pre-registration is mandatory for all press members who have been accredited to cover this year's Tokyo International Film Festival. **Please fill in the pre-registration form for each press event on your My Page on our website by 3:00 pm on October 30 (Fri)**. Pre-registration will open from 10:00 am on October 28 (Wed.) If the number of registrations exceeds the limit, seating will be determined by drawing lots. The TIFF Press Office will inform you if your registration must regrettably be cancelled by 6:00 pm on October 30 (Fri).

### PRESS PASSES ARE REQUIRED

All press members who wish to cover this event are required to register for a press pass. If you have not yet registered, please contact the TIFF Press Office and complete your registration immediately. Press Office: [tiff-press@tiff-jp.net](mailto:tiff-press@tiff-jp.net)

**Press members who wish to cover the opening events should plan to pick up your press pass before the events on Oct. 31. Please come early to the Tokyo International Forum Hall C before sign-in.**

For those of you planning to pick up your press pass before the festival, between Oct 27 (Tue) to Oct 30 (Fri), you may do so as follows: Early Pick-up at Conference Room 5 (former Press Center), Roppongi Hills Academyhills 49F (from 11:00 - 18:00).

### LIVE STREAMED on YouTube

Both the Red Carpet Arrivals and the Opening Ceremony will be live streamed on our official YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/TIFFTOKYOnet>

### The 33rd TIFF Opening Event

**Date:** October 31 (Sat), 2020

**Time:** **Red Carpet Arrivals** 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm (tentative)  
**Opening Ceremony** 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm (tentative)

**Venue:** Tokyo International Forum Hall C (Hall C) (3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo)

### Red Carpet Arrivals

**The starting of the sign-in and the event may change depending on the arrival of the guests.  
Guests on the Red Carpet will be announced on Oct. 28.**

### Journalists

-If you wish to cover the Red Carpet arrivals, please fill in the **pre-registration form** and come to watch **the live feed** of the event at the venue.

12:30 pm **Sign-in at the lobby on the first floor of Hall C**

1:00 pm Red Carpet arrivals start at the lobby on the second floor of Hall C  
Guests will walk on the red carpet by film title and make a short greeting.

2:30 pm End of Red Carpet arrivals / move to the Opening Ceremony

\*TIFF staff will guide all the media who cover the Red Carpet Arrivals into the hall after the ceremony is over.

\*There will be no sound bites.

### Photographers

Due to limited space, **all photographers will NOT be able to cover the Red Carpet arrivals**. After the Red Carpet event, official photos will be provided through image.net.



## Opening Ceremony

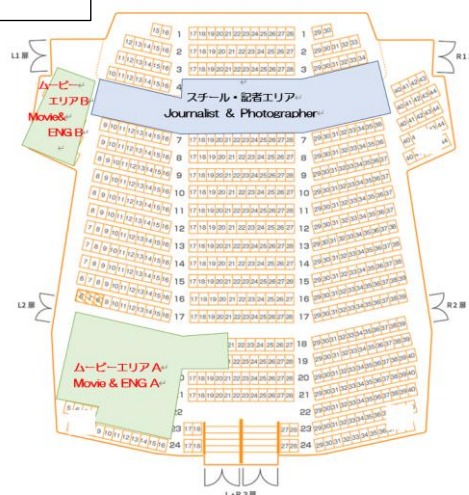
## Coverage Position

### Photographers and Journalists

- 2:15 pm Sign-in at the lobby on the first floor of Hall C
- 2:30 pm Move into Hall C
- 2:45 pm Media briefing in Hall C
- 3:20 pm White balance and sound check
- 3:30 pm Opening Ceremony starts
- 4:45 pm Opening Ceremony ends

### Guests:

- Koji Yakusho (33rd TIFF Festival Ambassador)
- Koji Fukada (Director in Focus, Japan Now section)
- Mirai Moriyama (online appearance), Takumi Kitamura and Kumi Takiuchi from Opening Film *Underdog*
- Christopher Nolan (video message), Robert De Niro (video message) and more



\*Positions will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis.

\*First priority will be given to **Photographers and Journalists-Photographers** who will cover the Ceremony only

\*Second priority to **Journalists** who will cover the Red Carpet Arrivals and shoot photos at the Ceremony as **Journalist-Photographers**

\*Third priority to **Journalists** who will cover the Red Carpet Arrivals and Ceremony without taking photos

\*No entries and exits will be allowed during the ceremony.

\*All members of the media covering the opening events must be properly attired. Jackets are required for men.

## To Prevent COVID-19 Infections

- Please keep the number of accompanying staff to a minimum when covering an event.
- Please wear a mask and use the hand sanitizer at the registration desk on the day of the event.
- Your temperature will be taken at the desk, and if it exceeds 37.5 degrees Celsius, you will not be permitted to enter. We must also ask you to refrain from coming to the venue if you have such symptoms such as a fever, a cough, fatigue, or a general feeling of unwellness.
- Please note that this information is only for media outlets that have been specifically sent invitations. Please refrain from providing your coverage to outlets other than those that have been invited.



### 33rd Tokyo International Film Festival

Dates: October 31 (Sat) – November 9 (Mon), 2020

Venues: Roppongi Hills, Ex Theater Roppongi and other venues in Tokyo

Official Website: [www.tiff-jp.net](http://www.tiff-jp.net)

Market: TIFFCOM Online November 4 (Wed) – 6 (Fri) [tiffcom.jp/en](http://tiffcom.jp/en)