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**Doha Film Institute Calls Out For Volunteers For**

**4th Edition of Doha Tribeca Film Festival**

**Doha, 23 September, 2012** - Doha Film Institute (DFI) is calling out to all film enthusiasts wishing to gain invaluable experience at this year’s Doha Tribeca Film Festival (DTFF) from 17 – 24 November. The Festival is looking for more than 500 volunteers to assist in delivering one of the most popular cultural events of the year.

DTFF’s volunteer programme highlights the city’s multicultural and cosmopolitan outlook to Festival visitors from around the world. Volunteers will be exposed to and gain industry experience, attend screenings and workshops, receive a participation certificate and contribute to the success of an internationally renowned film festival.

Maggie Kim, Executive Director of Programming at DFI said the volunteer program has been central to the success of DTFF making it a truly community event: “We look forward to welcoming volunteers who are serious about the film industry and who want to gain some priceless experience at this year’s festival. This opportunity will provide volunteers with the unique chance to network with film experts, industry professionals and international guests and their hard work and commitment results in the creation of a great cultural event.”

Over hundreds of volunteers, including a large number of high school and undergraduate students, homemakers as well as executives lent their support to the past editions of the Festival in a variety of tasks ranging from theatre management, ushers, transportation and guest relation assistants, floaters and runners, in addition to administrative roles.

This exciting opportunity is open to all candidates aged 18 or over. Potential volunteers must register online at [www.dohafilminstitute.com](http://www.dohafilminstitute.com) and successful applicants will receive orientation training and their assignments prior to the Festival opening. Safety and wellbeing is of paramount importance for all staff at the festival and DFI wants to extend this to volunteers also. The age limit has therefore been set to 18 and over this year, so that it’s aligned with DFI’s working practices.

DTFF will offer specially designed programmes to engage volunteers under the age of 18 from previous editions at the Festival, to build on their experiences and provide a creatively enriching environment.

For more information about this year’s festival or how to apply for a volunteer, please apply through the DFI website on [www.dohafilminstitute.com/filmfestival/volunteer](http://www.dohafilminstitute.com/filmfestival/volunteer).

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**About Doha Film Institute (DFI):**

Doha Film Institute (DFI) is an independent cultural organisation established in 2010 to incorporate Qatar’s film initiatives under one banner; organically supporting the growth of the local film community by enhancing industry knowledge, cultivating film appreciation and contributing to the development of sustainable creative industries in Qatar. DFI’s year-round platforms include funding and production of local, regional and international films, educational programmes, film screenings, and the annual Doha Tribeca Film Festival (DTFF).

With culture, community, education and entertainment at its foundation, DFI serves as an all-encompassing film hub in Doha, as well as a resource for the region and the rest of the world. DFI is committed to supporting Qatar’s 2030 vision for the development of a knowledge based economy.

DFI has established a number of strategic cultural partnerships with leading local and international organisations including Tribeca Enterprises, World Cinema Foundation, Maisha Film Lab, Katara Cultural Village and Giffoni Film Festival.

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