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**BIGPOND®
ADELAIDE FILM FESTIVAL**

CALLING FOR EMERGING DOCUMENTARY MAKERS TO SUBMIT THEIR FIRST FILMS FOR F4 2011

In 2011 the **First Factual Films Festival (F4)** will be part of the core program of the BigPond Adelaide Film Festival (BAFF). And now the Australian International Documentary Conference (AIDC) and BAFF are calling for emerging documentary filmmaking talent from around Australia to submit their films for **F4 2011**.

F4 is an unrivalled professional development opportunity for Australia's emerging documentary filmmaking talent. In 2011, first-time filmmakers whose films are selected to be shown as part of **F4** will not only gain high profile international documentary marketplace exposure through AIDC, they will also have their film shown as part of a major international film festival – BAFF.

During **F4**, these new documentaries will be shown alongside early films made by some of the legendary documentary makers attending AIDC 2011. **F4** will conclude with the presentation of the **F4 Award for Outstanding New Documentary Talent** to one exceptional filmmaker. The **F4** finalists will have their films judged by a panel of high profile international documentary professionals.

The 2010 inaugural **F4** Award winner, Elizabeth Tadic says that **F4** was an incredible learning experience, opening up a whole new international world of documentary filmmaking. *"I met inspiring filmmakers and mentors with whom I've since begun creative partnerships with and all my projects have consequently progressed. I had some invaluable face-to-face meetings with broadcasters and distributors and now have a greater understanding of the market. I wholeheartedly encourage emerging filmmakers to participate in the F4 program."*

Film entries can be of any documentary genre, style and length made for any screen-based platform and will be judged on how well the director demonstrates his/her vision through a creative approach to their subject, communicating a clear sense of directorial style and authorship.

Submissions for F4 2011 close on Friday 29 October 2010.

For further information and submission guidelines visit f4.org.au

F4: Wednesday 2 – Sunday 6 March 2011

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