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CENTRAL COAST STARS HEADING TO THE REAL FILM FESTIVAL

The Central Coast is sending some of its finest filmmakers to the Real Film Festival next weekend. The three-day celebration of film and storytelling has workshops, master classes, Q&A sessions and special screenings – and our local talent has a starring role.

The Central Coast's own and internationally celebrated cinematographer, **Don McAlpine**, will present a workshop and discussion at this year's event. The workshop, Motion Pictures – The Progression of The Cinematographer, will explore how motion pictures have changed in Don's lifetime, how he has had to adapt to these changes and the effect this has had on him personally and professionally. Don McAlpine has had an extraordinary career, having shot over 50 feature films, in diverse genres and styles. Don was awarded the Australian Centenary Medal in the 2001 Queen's New Year's Honours List for his service to Australian Society and Australian Film Production.

Film Director and proud local, **Liam Worthington**, will present his new feature film 'One Less God' - a remarkable look into the 2008 terror attacks in Mumbai when ten young members of Lashkar-e-Taiba set out to "inflict as much damage as possible" in a series of 12 coordinated shooting and bombing attacks lasting four days. Liam has a long and successful career as a producer, director, writer, editor and director of photography and is the lead writer, director and producer at New Realms Films and the artist in residence at RYSS Youth Arts Central Coast 2017.

Terrigal-based **Jason van Genderen**, founder of the Pocket Film Academy and Filmbreaker movement, will be a special workshop presenter this year. Ten years ago, Jason van Genderen made a film on his smartphone. It went on to win numerous prestigious accolades at film festivals around the globe and kicked off his career in smartphone cinematography. With four workshop events, Jason will be looking at a wide range of topics around pocket films, the latest advances in smartphone accessories for creative and broadcast production, his successes with smartphone films and the importance of storytelling for brands.

The Festival's director, Annette Hubber, says it's wonderful to see the Central Coast play such an important role in the event. "The Central Coast is well and truly considered part of our unique Hunter Valley community, and having so much talent so close to home is great to see. We'd love to welcome anyone from the Coast interested in filmmaking and storytelling to visit the Festival." Annette said.

Tickets to events and screenings are limited. For the entire program, or to book a seat for the launch, screenings, workshops and master classes, go to www.realfilmfestival.com.au

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