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### INTRODUCTION FROM THE FESTIVAL DIRECTOR

Welcome to the third edition of Festival News. Our plans are continuing to go well and I'd like to update you with the latest information, in particular about the venue for the event and how to book projection sessions and meals.

### THE VENUE

The Royal Photographic Society 23rd International Audio Visual Festival 2018 will be held over the weekend of Saturday 22 September & Sunday 23 September 2018. The location for the Festival is The 1914 Centenary Hall, Dean Close Preparatory School, Lansdown Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL51 6QS.

### THE AUDIENCE VIEW

If you are coming to the Festival you will be able to enjoy viewing the AVs from the Hall's raked theatre, enhanced by the loan from Epson of a projector, which retails at around £7000, with the AVs projected onto a 16' by 9' screen.





## **SOUND FOR THE FESTIVAL**

On the way back from the RPS AV Group Advisory Day, I was able to call in to ATC, the company that has loaned the stunning powered speakers used at previous RPS International AV Festivals. The Chief Executive was delighted to learn how much they were appreciated at the 2016 Festival and the impact they'd had on the Festival audience. He confirmed that he would be very pleased to loan them again for the 2018 Festival weekend. The speakers retail for about £14,000, so excellent sound is guaranteed.

For more information please visit: [www.atcloudspeakers.co.uk](http://www.atcloudspeakers.co.uk)



## **PROVISIONAL TIME TABLE FOR THE WEEKEND**

All projection sessions will be held in Dean Close Preparatory School's 1914 Centenary Hall. The Festival Dinner on the Saturday evening will be held, a short walk away, in Edwards Hall, Dean Close School, Hatherley Road, Cheltenham, GL51 6EP.

The provisional time table is as follows:

Saturday 22nd September	Sunday 23rd September
09:00 Reception	09:00 Reception
09:30 Welcome/introductions	09:30 Projection session 5
09:45 Projection session 1	11:20 Tea/Coffee
11:15 Tea/Coffee	11:40 Projection session 6
11:35 Projection session 2	13:00 Buffet Lunch
13:00 Buffet Lunch	14:00 Projection session 7
14:00 Projection session 3	15:30 Tea/Coffee
15:30 Tea/Coffee	16:00 Notices
15:50 Projection session 4	16:30 Presentation of Awards
17:30 Finish	17:30 Finish
17:45 RPS AV Group AGM	
19:30 Festival Dinner	

## **PARKING AND ACCESS**

Dean Close School has ample parking, is close to a Premier Inn (other accommodation is also available) and has easy access from the M5 motorway. For those who attended the 2016 RPS IAVF, the good news is that the marathon that caused such traffic chaos on the Sunday is going to be held the following weekend.

## **BOOKING FORM TO APPLY FOR SESSION AND MEAL TICKETS**

Make sure you put the dates in your diary or even better, make a booking. The web site is up and running for ordering your tickets - please visit [www.rps.org/iavf](http://www.rps.org/iavf) to access the link that will take you to another website where you can order your Festival session tickets, lunches and a place at the Festival Dinner on the Saturday evening. If you prefer to send a booking by post, together with a cheque, a downloadable form is available on the booking website. On receiving it I will email you an acknowledgement. However, if you do order on line you'll get an automatic email acknowledgment, but if this doesn't appear in your in box, please check your junk or spam email. If it is not there please email me.

A number of bookings have already been received, so if you are coming and need to book accommodation, don't leave it too late.

### **INFORMATION FOR ENTRANTS**

AV entries for the Festival can be sent to the Director from Wednesday 1 August 2018. No entries will be accepted after Friday 24 August 2018. In the meantime you can download the entry form, read the Information for Entrants as well as pay your entry fee. Go to [www.rps.org/iavf](http://www.rps.org/iavf) and follow the link that will take you to another website for the relevant information.

### **KEEPING YOU INFORMED**

Further editions of Festival News will be published over the coming months, but in the meantime if you require more information or clarification, please do not hesitate to email me. If you do not want to receive Festival News and wish to be removed from the mailing list, please use the unsubscribe link below.

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### **RUNNING ORDER OF AVs TO BE SHOWN AT THE FESTIVAL**

We have had 112 entries from 13 FIAP countries, which has meant that with the limited time available for projection over the Festival weekend, there has had to be a pre-selection process carried out by the Chair of the Jury. He has chosen 90 AVs to be shown over the Festival weekend and all entrants have been informed of the Chair of the Jury's decision. The Festival Timetable and Projection Sessions, showing the running order of AVs to be

shown at the Festival, will be posted on The RPS website [www.rps.org/iavf](http://www.rps.org/iavf) on Thursday 6 September 2018.

### **JUST A COUPLE OF DAYS LEFT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS FOR THE FESTIVAL**

If you are you still thinking of coming to the Festival, and you haven't booked your tickets for the Projection Session and/or meals you have just a couple of days until the **closing date for booking, which is 23:59 p.m. on Sunday 9 September 2018**. Bookings for the Festival Dinner on the Saturday evening have been very popular. There is a limit to the numbers that can be accommodated for the Festival Dinner, but we do still have some availability. Further information is available on the Festival's booking site: [www.rpsinternational.org.uk](http://www.rpsinternational.org.uk).

Tickets for the daily Projection Sessions can be purchased on the day at the Reception Desk, but cost slightly more than tickets booked in advance. Unfortunately, meals have to be pre-ordered by [9 September](#) to inform the Catering Service of numbers, but tea and coffee are included in the price of the session tickets.

The venue for the Festival is the 1914 Centenary Hall, Dean Close Preparatory School, Lansdown Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL51 6QS UK.

The Festival weekend is an opportunity for you to see AVs from around the world whether you attend for one day or the whole weekend, and I look forward to seeing you at the Festival.

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