Ritwik Ghatak to be honoured at the Indian film festival of Melbourne 2025 on his birth centenary



The Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM) 2025 has announced a special tribute to the legendary filmmaker Ritwik Ghatak, commemorating his 100th birth anniversary. The late filmmaker is known for his social dra maker is known for his social dramas that deal with topics like partition and feminism. His films like Meghe Dhaka Tara, Subarnarekha and Komal Gandhar are now celebrated as masterpieces. Along with

IFFM 2025 to do a retrospective of legendary Ritwik filmmaker Ghatak on his birth centenary.

his contemporaries like Satyajit Ray, Tapan Sinha and Mrinal Sen, Ghatak shaped the narrative of Indian cinema in ways that are still being studied and appreciated by filmmakers and scholars across the

Honoured with the Padma Shri and multiple National Awards, Ritwik Ghatak is widely considered one of the greatest filmmakers of all time. IFFM's 2025 edition will feature a dedicated retrospective of his landmark films, panel discussions, and academic tributes aimed at cel-



ebrating his legacy and introducing

his work to new global audiences. Speaking about the tribute, IFFM Festival Director Mitu Bhowmik Lange said, "Ritwik Ghatak was a visionary far ahead of his time. His cinema dealt with trauma, displacement, and identity with such poetic depth and urgency that it resonates even more today. At IFFM, we believe it is our responsibility to bring global attention to icons like Ritwik Ghatak, whose work shaped the conscience of Indian filmmaking. This centenary celebration is not just a tribute, it's a reminder of the kind of stories we must continue to tell."

A towering figure in Indian cinema, Ghatak's contributions as a director, screenwriter, actor, and playwright have left an indelible mark on world cinema, even though much of his work was not fully recognised during his lifetime. The centenary celebration will be one of the cornerstone events of IFFM 2025, bringing together cinephiles, historians and contemporary filmmakers to honour a legend who redefined the language of

Is Taylor Swift Causing Chaos at Selena Gomez's Wedding? Her Over-the-Top

Selena Gomez's upcoming wedding to music producer Benny Blanco is turning into one of the most talked-about events of the fall. But after a report by the Daily Mail leaked the Montecito venue on July 14, things have taken a stressful turn behind the scenes, especially with Taylor Swift and Trayis Kelce on the guest list Travis Kelce on the guest list.
A source told the UK outlet that

Fame Creates Security Changes

Gomez and her team are now scrambling to tighten security around the "two-day event in Montecito in September." With stars like Swift, Kelce, and Gomez's Only Murders in the Building co-stars Meryl Streep, Steve Martin, and Martin Short expected to attend, the focus has shifted to safety and

"Security for Selena's wedding will be of the utmost importance because not only is she a public figure, but many of the guests will be

could be the biggest distraction Taylor Swift and her NFL star boyfriend Travis Kelce are report-



edly attending together, and their presence alone could bring heavy media attention and possibly fan crowds. The couple's growing popularity, fueled by public appear-ances and Swift's ongoing Eras Tour, adds another layer of planning for Gomez. In fact, sources claim that

Gomez has even postponed certain planning decisions while waiting for Swift to confirm her attendance.

She is going back and forth on whether or not to allow people to have their phones as an extra measure of security and privacy," the source said. "Along with the fact that she wants everyone to be pre-



Were Sidharth Malhotra and Kiara Advani The First Choice for Saiyaara?

Mohit Suri's Saiyaara is currently garnering immense attention from fans and critics worldwide. The movie is already on its way to achieve Rs 300 crores at the box office. While fans are satisfied with the movie's casting, namely with the casting of debutant Ahaan Panday and young actor Aneet Padda, recent reports state that the movie was initially offered to a real-life star couple. The couple is none other than Sidharth Malhotra and Kiara Advani, our Shershaah duo.

The initial report states that negotiations with the duo were on but the same fell through. This prompted casting change, and the makers later fixated on newcomers. Mohit Suri also opened up about his casting decision and making the movie with two newcomers. He noted that he had considered established actors, but Aditya Chopra wanted to go with debutants or young actors. According to Aditya, the movie wouldn't work until the casting felt fresh and new. Aditya fixated on choosing young actors, as it is a young love story. When Mohit asked Aditya about backing a project with young actors, Aditya assured that he

would help him.
Interestingly, Ahaan and Aneet's chemistry has been well-appreciated by fore. The true are being talked. ed by fans. The two are being talked about for their performances, which many think have elevated

Despite being led by young new-



comers, Saiyaara managed to pull a massive crowd to the theatres Meanwhile, the title track of Saiyaara created history by becoming the first ever Indian song to top the Global Viral 50 chart. Sung by Faheem Abdullah and composed by Tanishk Bagchi, the track sur-passed artists such as Lady Gaga Bruno Mars and Sabrina Carpenter On the professional front, nei-

ther Aneet nor Ahaan have shared about their upcoming projects yet

Meanwhile, Sidharth Malhotra Kiara Advani have recently announced the birth of their

Kesariya Team Reunites for Hrithik Roshan & Kiara Advani's Romantic War 2 Song



up the heat ahead of its August 14 release by reuniting the team behind one of Bollywood's most viral love songs, Kesariya. As confirmed by producers Yash Raj Films, director Ayan Mukerji has brought back composer Pritam, singer Arijit Singh, and lyricist Amitabh Bhattacharya for a romantic track fea-turing Hrithik Roshan and Kiara

According to a source close to the film, "It is a beautiful track that shows the romance between Hrithik and Kiara's characters in War 2. The song will be the first music release from the film and is expected to drop this week." The buzz around War 2 has already





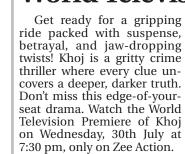
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add an emotional core to the story. Fans are particularly excited about the Kesariya team reuniting, as the chart-topping song from Brahmastra became a cultural sensation in 2022. With Ayan's signature visual storytelling, Pritam's soulful melodies, Arijit's voice, and Amitabh Bhattacharya's heartmelting lyrics, expectations are sky-high.

War 2 is the next explosive entry in the YRF Spy Universe and will re-lease in Hindi, Telugu, and Tamil worldwide on August 14, 2025, just ahead of Independence Day.

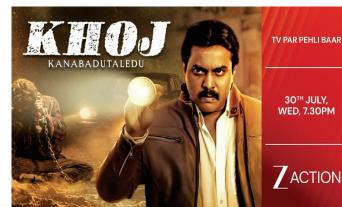
too," the insider revealed. Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce

World Television Premiere of Khoj today



Directed by Balaraju M, Khoj reflects his signature style, the film stars Sunil as Detective Rama Krishna whilst Vaishali Raj, Himaja, Praveen, Ravi Varma and Kireeti Damaraju play pivotal roles. Khoj is not your usual murder mystery. It's an emotional thriller where nothing is what it seems - every clue opens up a new layer, every character hides more than they reveal. With every frame woven with jazbaat, sangharsh, and suspense, Khoj delivers an experience that's both emotionally resonant and deeply thrilling.

A corrupt police officer is



handed a strange case: an unidentified body with no name, no history, and no one to claim it. At the same time, a married couple—grappling with trust issues and emotional distance—begins a journey to reconnect with a lost past. As these stories collide, a mysterious detective steps in, carrying answers that could upend everyone's reality. Set against a backdrop of suspense, betrayal, and raw

human emotion, Khoj keeps you hooked with its unpredictable twists, layered storytelling, and intense performances. This is a film that asks: How well do we really know the ones we love? And how far would we go to uncover the truth-even if it destroys us?

Don't miss the World Television Premiere of Khoj on Wednesday, 30th July at 7:30 pm, only on Zee Action!

Monika Khanna Joins Prathaon Ki Odhe Chunri

story without conflict. It lacks the spark that fuels emotion and drama. Every hero's journey becomes more compelling when met with strong opposition, and in Sun Neo's Prathaon Ki Odhe Chunri: Beendani, that force is Ramkudi. Played by popular television actress Monika Khanna, Ramkudi brings unpredictable charm and layered intensity to the narrative, adding depth and in-Ĭn its latest promo, Prathaon Ki Odhe

Chunri: Beendani teases a storm quietly building. Inside a dimly lit haveli, a woman silently pounds spices. Her face remains hidden, but flashbacks reveal a painful past spent on the streets, in jail, and in a mental asylum. Who is she? What pushed her to the edge? Just as she declares the haveli will never again hear an heir's cry, a baby's wail shatters the silence. She freezes. At the door stands Ghevar, a baby in her arms and a storm in her eyes. The pestle falls to the ground. This is Ramkudi — and her return isn't just marked by pain, but by a burning desire for revenge. What is it in her past that drives such hatred? And how far will she go to make Ghevar's life hell in her sasural? With that, begins the powerful and twisted tale of Beendani. Sharing her excitement, Monika



Khanna said, "I'm truly happy and excited to step into the shoes of Ramkudi. Initially, Î thought it would be a typical negative role, but it's far from that. When Raghuvir Shekhawat Sir, our writer and producer, told me not to play it like a conventional villain but with hu-mor, I was confused at first. But when he enacted it for me, I immediately understood the quirky, entertaining tone he had in mind for Ramkudi."

She added, "He never wanted this character to be scary. He wanted her to be fun, unpredictable, and full of life.

this. Ramkudi has drama, comedy, and complexity. She's vibrant and layered, and I'm thoroughly enjoying bringing her to life. I truly hope the audience connects with her the way we have."

Rooted in tradition and driven by raw emotion, Prathaon Ki Odhe Chunri: Beendani follows the journey of a fearless woman who dares to defy age-old customs to carve her path. Watch this powerful story unfold soon, airing exclusively on Sun Neo from 12th August, every night at 9:00 PM.

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'Kingdom is not my KGF' says Vijay Deverakonda, wants to kidnap Anirudh Ravichander

Vijay Deverakonda starrer Kingdom, directed by Gowtam Tinnanuri, is slated to release in theaters on July 31, 2025. Ahead of the movie hitting big screens, the actor was seen promoting it in Chennai, highlighting how Anirudh's review for the film carries more weight than what he could ever create.

Talking to the media at the promotional event, Vijay Deverakonda said, "The Telugu states and Tamil Nadu's favorite Anirudh... he has poured life into Kingdom. Yesterday he was in Hyderabad for the pre-release event, today he's here checking the audio mixes of the fi-nal copy before it goes to domestic and international theaters."

"Last time I was in Chennai, I said how I wanted to kidnap him and take him away, even though I hadn't met him at that time. However, in the last couple of months, I've spent so much time with him that it makes me wanna kidnap him more," Vijay added.



The Arjun Reddy actor continued, wanna keep him to myself. Ani, I love you and every word he says carries so much weight. People take what he says more seri-ously than what I say. He recently said it would be a milestone in everyone's career. As soon as he said it, people, even my friends, were like, Anirudh gave the stamp, it's a sureshot success."

Additionally, Vijay expressed his gratitude towards the people of Tamil Nadu for making his movie Kushi a success in Tamil.

In his media interaction, Vijay Deverakonda expressed how Kingdom is not

entertainer flick like KGF. "Kingdom is not my KGF, but director Gowtam Tinnanuri's signature movie. It's not an entertainer.. But an action

Kingdom is an upcoming spy action drama flick featuring the story of an undercover officer, tasked with destroying a crime syndicate run by his own brother, Siva.

How does he infiltrate the syndicate, and what takes place between the brothers forms the entire story. Kingdom is said to be part of a planned duology with Bhagyashri Borse playing the female lead.

As Satyadev plays a key role, Anirudh Ravichander crafts the musical tracks and scores, making it his first collaboration in a Deverakonda movie.