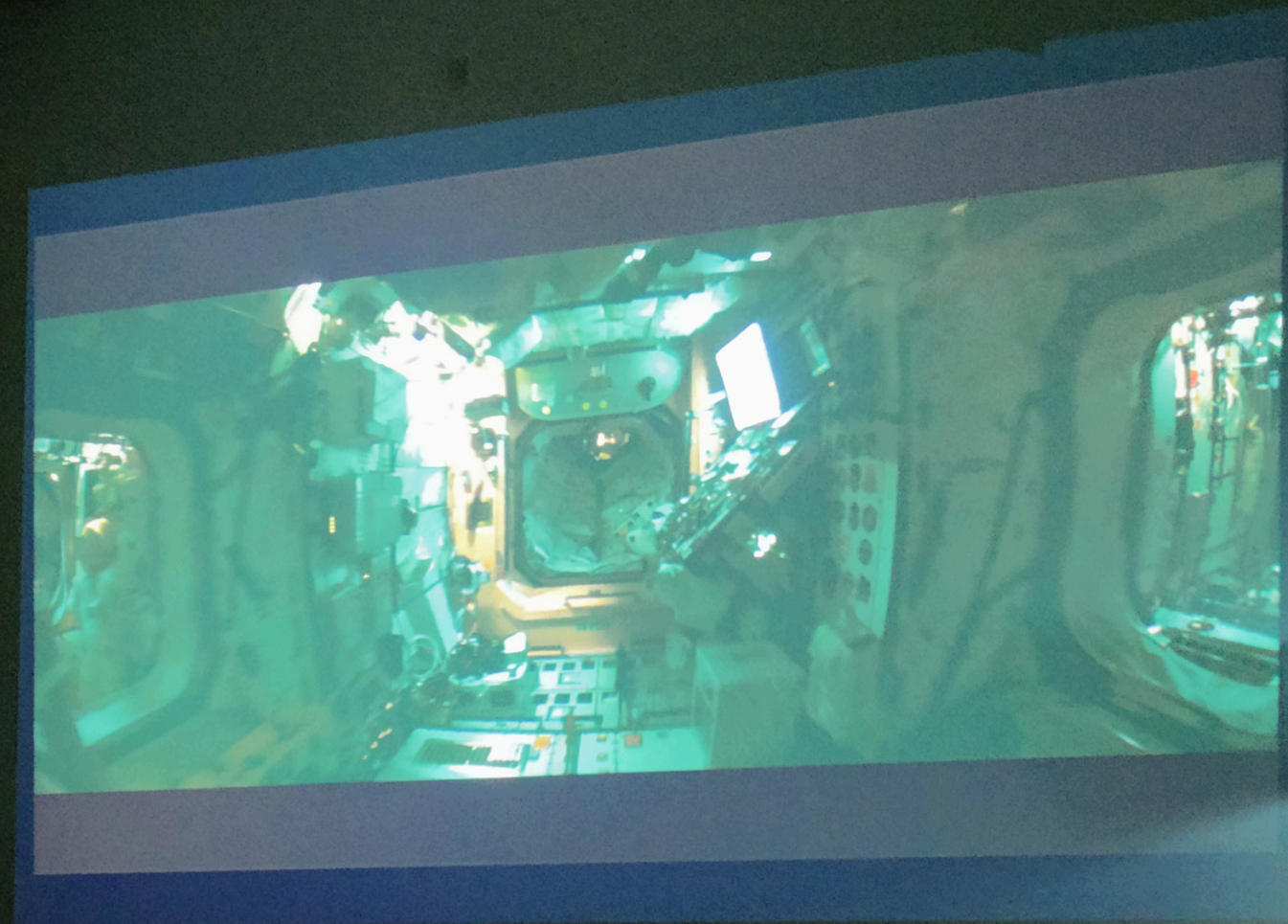


SI-FAN

SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL FANTASTIC ARTS NETWORK



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ABOUT: SI-FAN

"SI-FAN IS A FESTIVAL WHICH SPANS THE QUIRKY, THE SURREAL, THE FANTASTIC AND FANTASTICAL. A WONDERFUL SPECTRUM OF CINEMATIC GEMS PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES OF GENRE".

BAFTA WINNING DIRECTOR MORAG MCKINNON.

SI-FAN stands for Scottish International Fantastic Arts Network. We are a fantastic genre film festival with two aims. One to be the coolest film festival in Scotland by bringing exciting, transportive event cinema to Scottish audiences. We love films with imagination that explore ideas and want to give audiences a good time. SI-FAN launched in Edinburgh in November 2023. We're proud to have introduced several feature films to make their Scottish premieres. Including the French animated noir Sci-Fi Mars Express, the genre-bending Steven Soderbergh-produced Divinity, all the way to the DIY Estonian comedy musical horror, Chainsaws Were Singing. As well as bringing cinema to unique locations such as a former nuclear bunker at the Barnton Bunker. We are also very proud of our extensive short film programming. Introducing exciting and emerging filmmaking talent, domestic and around the world. In our short existence so far, we have already programmed shorts that have gone on to be Oscar shortlisted.

Our second mission is to support and champion Scottish and Scottish-based filmmakers working in the fantastic genre realm. We actively look to engage with the Scottish filmmaking community via screenings, industry and network events to educate, inspire and forge collaborations. We also have a dedicated short film block for Scottish qualifying films, with a Best Scottish Film Award that comes with a sponsorship prize worth £1500.

SI-FAN was founded by Chris Aitken, who also co-founded the short comedy film festival Short Com. Short Com is recognised as one of the world's leading comedy-specific film festivals, which is a BAFTA and BIFA qualifying film festival. Recognised for its exceptional programming and helping comedy filmmaking talent get in front of important industry figures. Chris has taken many of the same principles from Short Com and applied them to SI-FAN. He is proud to have built a team of volunteers who share the same ambition and love of genre films and outlook for a more diverse Scottish filmmaking scene.



The image shows the interior of a cinema. The foreground is filled with rows of red upholstered seats, arranged in a semi-circle. In the background, a large, closed red curtain covers the stage area. The ceiling is dark with several recessed circular lights. The overall atmosphere is quiet and ready for a film screening.

2026 FILM FESTIVAL

SI-FAN's full third edition is taking place across the long weekend between the 1st and 4th of May. This year, we have a new main home at Edinburgh's iconic favourite independent cinema, Filmhouse. Where we'll be screening the majority of our film programme of features, making the Scottish premiere and numerous short films.

We will also be continuing our Hidden Cinema event to provide a unique experience to Scottish audiences.



WHY SUPPORT SI-FAN?

We are a festival that is steadily growing its community of genre film fans and creatives with the mission of being Scotland's coolest film festival. Our motivation is not profit but ensuring audiences and artists have a good time. Positive mental wellness is something we want to advocate for and support. That is why we are proud to support our charity partner [Health In Mind](#).

We are an organisation that celebrates the spirit of independence and discovery. Actively seeking cool underground features and short films. Championing the underdog and commending originality.

By supporting SI-FAN, you are helping build a community of film fans and emerging artists. With the potential of being associated with a star of tomorrow. Many of Short Com's alumni have gone on to big successes with making features screening at major film festivals such as Sundance, or going on to some of the biggest TV shows like The Last of Us and Big Boys.



REACH

To date, our various screenings have reached over 400 people. Our social media followers are over 1000, with our newsletter over 2000.

Being at the Filmhouse will help us significantly to reach wider audiences that we have not reached previously.

We are delighted to have The List as our media partner for 2026. Scotland's largest events and culture magazine.

Our physical brochure will be spread predominantly around Edinburgh, the central belt and Glasgow.



SPONSORSHIP

Headline Sponsor: £1000 - Be on the cover of our printed materials, on our sponsors and partners page before and after every screening. (And we can sort out some comps for you)

Brochure: £100 - One-page ad in the brochure

Industry: £500 - Be our headline industry sponsor for our Script to Screen Industry Day on May 2nd as we help to educate, inspire and forge collaborations amongst directors, writers and producers looking to make their debut genre film.

After Party: £250 - Sponsor our themed after-party to cap off a memorable evening.

In Kind: If you would like to donate some of your branded stock for an event or offer in-kind services.

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