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IN APRIL, **ARROW** PREMIERES AN EXCLUSIVE NEW DOCUMENTARY,
EXPLOITATION CLASSICS, AND ESSENTIAL FILM NOIRS!

Key highlights this **APRIL** on the essential, alternative streaming service [ARROW](#) include the exclusive premiere of Justin McConnell's revealing filmmaking documentary **CLAPBOARD JUNGLE**, a spotlight on the works of Takeshi "Beat" Kitano, Season 3 of the acclaimed Italian crime series **GOMORRAH**, unmissable noir, a Cronenberg classic, and so much more....

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APRIL RELEASE CALENDAR

New Titles – From April 1

- Gomorrah Season 3
- Skull World
- Enemy
- Death Has Blue Eyes
- Switchblade Sisters
- Alps
- Ashes of Time
- The Dark Mirror
- Secret Beyond the Door
- Force of Evil
- The Big Combo

New Titles – From April 9

- 24 City
- A Touch of Sin
- Mountains May Depart

New Titles – From April 12

- Naked Lunch
- Ashes of Time
- Slaughterhouse
- Ending the Eternal
- Open Invitation
- Eviction
- Damned Selfie,
- Cat Lover
- She Haunts Me

New Titles – From April 16

- Mirror Mirror
- Hana Bi
- Getting Any?
- Dolls
- Kikujiro
- A Scene At The Sea
- Kids Return
- Do You See What I See?
- Soul Contact

New Titles - From April 19

- Clapboard Jungle

New Titles - From April 26

- Battle Royale (Director's and Theatrical cuts)
- Battle Royale II (Requiem and Revenge cuts)

New Seasons – From April 1

Four Film Noir Classics - Dark urban locales, sultry femme fatales, doomed protagonists and a brooding atmosphere of danger. These quintessential aspects are strikingly demonstrated by the four consummate examples of the genre presented in this collection. ***Films in the collection:*** *The Dark Mirror, Secret Beyond the Door, Force of Evil, The Big Combo*

New Seasons – From April 9

Keeping It Reel - Sit back and get real as we take a peek behind the cracked and bloody lens to see what lurks beneath... ***Films in the collection include:*** *Clapboard Jungle, The El Duce Tapes, That Guy Dick Miller, Hellraiser: Evolutions*

Three Films by Jia Zhangke - **ARROW** presents three extraordinary films from the award-winning Chinese director, widely regarded as one of world cinema's most accomplished filmmakers. ***Films in the collection:*** *24 City, A Touch of Sin, Mountains May Depart*

New Seasons – From April 16

Takashi Kitano Collection - Powerful, moving and provocative films from the enormously talented Japanese director. ***Films in the collection:*** *Hana Bi, Getting Any?, Dolls, Kikujiro, A Scene at the Sea, Kids Return*

New Seasons – From April 26

Battle Royale Collection - The newly restored HD version of *Battle Royale*, a turbo-charged hybrid of *Lord of the Flies* and *The Most Dangerous Game*, directed by Kinji Fukasaku (*Battles without Honor and Humanity, Graveyard of Honor*); and the blood-splattered and brilliant sequel *Battle Royale II* plus a host of ARROW Stories.

APRIL TITLES / SEASONS - IN DEPTH

EXCLUSIVE PREMIERE APRIL 19th:

CLAPBOARD JUNGLE



A warts-and-all exploration of what it takes to get a film made and released, **Clapboard Jungle** follows five years in the life and career of independent filmmaker Justin McConnell (*Lifechanger*). This fascinating documentary features interviews with a range of industry luminaries – including Guillermo del Toro (*Crimson Peak*), Tom Holland (*Fright Night*) and George A. Romero (*The Crazies*), alongside a host of others. The feature will be accompanied by a wealth of over 50 exclusive ARROW Stories including commentaries, and almost 30 extended interviews! A collection of 8 short films by filmmaker Justin McConnell will also be showcased throughout the month of April.

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APRIL 1st: FOUR FILM NOIR CLASSICS



Dark urban locales, sultry femme fatales, doomed protagonists and a brooding atmosphere of danger, cynicism and anxiety. These quintessential aspects of film noir are strikingly demonstrated by the four consummate examples of the genre presented in this collection.

In **The Dark Mirror** (1946), directed by Robert Siodmak, a man is murdered and there's an obvious suspect, but she has an identical twin sister (both played by Olivia de Havilland, *Gone with the Wind*), and one of them has a cast-iron alibi; In **Secret Beyond the Door** (1947), Fritz Lang (*The Big Heat*) adapts the Bluebeard legend with a dash of Daphne du Maurier's *Rebecca*; In Abraham Polonsky's **Force of Evil** (1948), an unscrupulous lawyer (John Garfield, *The Postman Always Rings Twice*) scents a personal fortune when he concocts a plan to merge New York City's numbers rackets into a single powerful and unbreakable operation; and in Joseph H. Lewis's ultra-stylish **The Big Combo** (1955), Lieutenant Diamond (Cornel Wilde, *The Naked Prey*) is determined to bring down mob boss Mr Brown (Richard Conte, *Thieves' Highway*), even if it means jeopardising his own career.

APRIL 9th: KEEPING IT REEL

Digging into the stories behind everything from George A. Romero's game-changing **Night of the Living Dead**, the enduring popularity of VHS and an extreme shock-rocker. Sit back and get real as we take a peek behind the cracked and bloody lens to see what lurks beneath...

APRIL 9th: THREE FILMS BY JIA ZHANGKE



Jia Zhangke has become widely regarded as one of world cinema's most accomplished filmmakers, and a leading figure of the Sixth Generation movement of Chinese cinema. This collection includes **24 City** (2008), that records the social impact of transforming a military hardware factory into a complex of luxury flats; Cannes prize-winner **A Touch of Sin** (2013), focusing on four people living across China who are driven to acts of violence; and Jia's eighth feature film, **Mountains May Depart** (2015), an intimate and moving drama spanning several decades which charts the impact of China's capitalist experiment on the lives of one family.

APRIL 16th: TAKESHI KITANO COLLECTION



Six films from the enormously talented Japanese director Takeshi Kitano, including the downbeat and brutal crime thriller **HANA BI**, directed, written by and starring Kitano; the bizarre, over the top and absurd comedy **GETTING ANY?** full of slapstick silliness and never ending gags; **DOLLS**, featuring stories about a failed suicide, an ageing yazuka and a disfigured pop star; **KIKUJIRO**, about a young man's search for his long-lost mother; **A SCENE AT THE SEA**, a heart-rending masterpiece that has a sharp eye for human frailties and a love for the courage of the underdog; and **KIDS RETURN**, another underdog story about the lives of two school friends, one who becomes a boxer, the other a gangster.

APRIL 26th: BATTLE ROYALE COLLECTION



Presenting an alternate dystopian vision of turn-of-the-millennium Japan, the shocking and highly influential **Battle Royale** follows the 42 junior high school students who are dispatched to a remote island, each given individual weapons and ordered to go out and kill one other - an extreme method of addressing concerns about juvenile delinquency. Overseeing the carnage is 'Beat' Takeshi Kitano (Sonatine, Hana-bi, Zatoichi). In the thrilling sequel, **Battle Royale II**, a new class of delinquents are recruited by the government to hunt down the survivor of the deadly games of the first film. Both films will be presented with alternative cuts and the collection will be joined by a host of ARROW Stories including behind the scenes featurettes, interviews and
more

ALSO SHOWING IN APRIL

David Cronenberg's superbly disturbing adaptation of William Burroughs' classic novel **Naked Lunch**, and cult Karen Black horror gem **Mirror Mirror**. Plus! **Enemy**, **Death Has Blue Eyes**, **Switchblade Sisters**, **Alps**, **Ashes of Time**, **Slaughterhouse**, **Gomorrah Season 3**, **Video Nasties**:

Moral Panic, Censorship & Videotape, Video Nasties: Draconian Days, ARROW Essentials collections of Action films, Japanese Cinema much more...

Where to get it

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About ARROW

From Arrow Films, a recognised world-leader in curation and creation, **ARROW** [formerly known as 'Arrow Video Channel'] is a premium platform giving you an unparalleled viewing experience across multiple devices, so you can explore the films and TV shows that the Arrow brand is famous for.

Specially curated by members of the **ARROW** team, **ARROW** will be home to premium film and TV entertainment, exclusive new premieres, cutting edge cinema, international classics and cult favourites - such as the works of Lars Von Trier, Brian De Palma, Dario Argento, David Cronenberg and Park Chan-wook - plus the very best in acclaimed TV series, including *The Bridge* and Italian crime series *Gomorra*, and brand-new short films from both new and established filmmakers. In the coming months, **ARROW** will be adding Oscar-winning hits, European classics, Asian cinema masterworks, rediscovered Westerns, offbeat gems and much more, along with such festival favourites

Clapboard Jungle and *Threshold* as part of **ARROW**'s international strategy to support and celebrate the medium of film.

ARROW will also be home to **ARROW Stories** - an ever-growing collection of interviews, trailers, documentaries and additional extras, newly created just for the service and from its extensive archives. The service will be updated regularly with fresh content, new curation focuses and never-before-seen content, all selected by the **ARROW** team as well as the filmmakers themselves. With a slickly designed and user-friendly interface **ARROW** is *the* new alternative place to go for the very best in On-Demand entertainment.