

# Korean Film Festival in Australia

Sydney, Thurs 21 - Tues 26 Aug, 2025

**\* Touring program:**

Benalla (VIC)	13-14 Sep
Toowoomba (QLD)	14 Sep
Parramatta (NSW)	26-27 Sep
Alice Springs (NT)	3-5 Oct
Victor Harbor (SA)	4-5 Oct
Whitsunday (QLD)	11-12 Oct

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the Lens



# Welcome

On behalf of the KOFFIA 2025 team, I warmly welcome all fans of Korean cinema across Australia! Now in its 16th year, the Korean Film Festival in Australia stands as the nation's longest-running celebration of Korean storytelling, bringing the heart and soul of Korean culture to Sydney from 21–26 August 2025. This year, we're thrilled to present 10 Australian premiere films, spanning heartwarming romances, pulse-pounding thrillers, laugh-out-loud comedies, and poignant dramas, each bursting with vibrant visuals and universal emotions. Joined by four acclaimed directors and one actor from one of the films for intimate Q&A sessions, KOFFIA invites you to dive into stories that spark joy, reflection, and connection, strengthening the cultural bridge between Korea and Australia.

Our commitment to sharing Korean cinema nationwide grows stronger with the KOFFIA Touring Program, launched in 2024 with three regional councils and now expanding to six in 2025: Benalla Rural City Council, Toowoomba Regional Council, City of Parramatta, Alice Springs Town Council, City of Victor Harbor and Whitsunday Regional Council. From September to October, these communities will host free screenings of four carefully selected films from our Sydney lineup, showcasing uplifting comedies, tender romances, and heartfelt dramas. We extend our deepest gratitude to our council partners for making Korean cinema accessible to regional audiences, fostering cultural exchange, and igniting curiosity about Korean culture. Through KOFFIA and its Touring Program, we hope to inspire new friendships, deepen ties between our nations, and create lasting memories for every film lover. Thank you, and enjoy the festival!

**Dr. Sunmin Yoon**  
**Chair, Korean Film Festival in Australia**



# About KOFFIA

The 16th Korean Film Festival in Australia (KOFFIA) sweeps into Sydney from 21-26 August 2025, bringing a vibrant collection of 10 Korean films that pulse with emotion and energy. This year's lineup weaves heartfelt dramas about family bonds, laugh-out-loud comedies that lift the spirit, edge-of-your-seat thrillers packed with twists, and tender romances that stir the soul. From high-octane action to a reimagined classic in stunning 4K, each story dazzles with bold visuals and raw heart, inviting you to laugh, cry, and dream. With four acclaimed directors and one actor from one of the films joining for Q&A sessions, KOFFIA offers an intimate dive into the artistry of Korean cinema, celebrating stories that connect us all.

After a stellar debut, KOFFIA's Touring Program returns for its second year, growing from three cities in 2024 to six in 2025—Benalla, Toowoomba, Parramatta, Alice Springs, Victor Harbor and Whitsunday. From September to October, these communities will host free screenings of four handpicked films, sharing Korean cinema's magic with regional Australia through local council partnerships. Whether you're in Sydney or joining us in the regions, the 16th KOFFIA is a celebration of human connection and cultural exchange, delivering unforgettable tales that resonate far and wide. Come experience the joy of Korean storytelling at its finest.



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# The KOFFIA Touring Program in Collaboration with Local Councils

The Korean Film Festival in Australia (KOFFIA) Touring Program, launched in 2024 with three regional councils, takes a bold step forward in 2025, partnering with six councils—Benalla Rural City Council, Toowoomba Regional Council, City of Parramatta, Alice Springs Town Council, City of Victor Harbor and Whitsunday Regional Council—to bring Korean cinema to communities across Australia. We extend heartfelt thanks to these council partners for joining our mission to share the warmth and vibrancy of Korean storytelling nationwide. From September to October, the Touring Program will offer free screenings of four carefully selected films from KOFFIA's 2025 Sydney lineup of 10, featuring uplifting comedies, heartfelt dramas, and tender romances that capture the soul of Korean cinema. This initiative invites regional audiences to connect with Korean culture through accessible, joyful films, while laying the foundation for deeper collaborations in Korean cultural content beyond the screen. Join us for an unforgettable cinematic experience that bridges communities and celebrates storytelling!





# Welcome to the Hub of All Things Korean!



The Korean Film Festival in Australia is organised by the Korean Cultural Centre Australia (KCC). The KCC is a diplomatic non-profit organisation based in Sydney that acts as the cultural ambassador to all things Korean in Australia.

Discover more about Korean culture at the KCC situated in the heart of Sydney CBD. Since established in 2011, the KCC has been offering a variety of Korean cultural programs ranging from Korean food, language, arts to literature, K-Pop and beyond all across Australia!



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# Plan Your Festival

Experience captivating storytelling, mesmerising cinematography, and outstanding performances at the 2025 Korean Film Festival in Australia! Celebrating Korea's unique culture, this festival offers a cinematic treat for diverse audiences.

Every film presented at the Festival screens with English subtitles.

## Sydney

21-26 Aug, Event Cinemas George St

<b>Thurs 21</b>	7 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설 + <b>Q&amp;A with film director</b>
<b>Fri 22</b>	6:30 pm	<b>Hidden Face</b> 히든페이스 + <b>Q&amp;A with film director</b>
<b>Sat 23</b>	2 pm	<b>Frankenstein Father</b> 프랑켄슈타인 아버지
	4 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다
	6:15 pm	<b>Shiri (4K Remastering)</b> 쉬리 - 4K 리마스터링
<b>Sun 24</b>	2 pm	<b>The Daechi Scandal</b> 대치동 스캔들
	4:20 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트 + <b>Q&amp;A with film director/actor</b>
	7 pm	<b>Dirty Money</b> 더러운 돈에 손대지 마라
<b>Mon 25</b>	6:30 pm	<b>Secret: Untold Melody</b> 말할 수 없는 비밀
<b>Tues 26</b>	6:30 pm	<b>About Family</b> 대가족 + <b>Q&amp;A with film director</b>

## \* Ticket Information

**Single** Full \$16 / Concession \$12 (Sydney session only)



# Touring Program Schedule

The Korean Film Festival in Australia will travel to Benalla (VIC), Toowoomba (QLD), Parramatta (NSW), Alice Springs (NT), Victor Harbor (SA) and Whitsunday (QLD) presenting a curated selection of four FREE film screenings as a part of the **Korean Film Festival in Australia Touring Program**.

## Benalla (VIC)

13-14 Sep, Benalla Cinema

<b>Sat 13</b>	5 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설
	7:30 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다
<b>Sun 14</b>	11 am	<b>About Family</b> 대가족
	1:30 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트

## Toowoomba (QLD)

14 Sep, The Strand Cinemas

<b>Sun 14</b>	10:30 am	<b>About Family</b> 대가족
	1 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트
	4 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설
	7 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다

## Parramatta (NSW)

26-27 Sep, Riverside Theatres

<b>Fri 26</b>	1 pm	<b>About Family</b> 대가족
	3:45 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설
	7 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다
<b>Sat 27</b>	4:30 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트



## Alice Springs (NT)

3-5 Oct, Alice Springs Cinema

<b>Fri 3</b>	6:30 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트
<b>Sat 4</b>	3:30 pm	<b>About Family</b> 대가족
	8 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다
<b>Sun 5</b>	5 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설

## Victor Harbor (SA)

4-5 Oct, Victa Cinema

<b>Sat 4</b>	2 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설
	7 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다
<b>Sun 5</b>	2 pm	<b>About Family</b> 대가족
	7 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트

## Whitsunday (QLD)

11-12 Oct, Proserpine Entertainment Centre

<b>Sat 11</b>	4 pm	<b>About Family</b> 대가족
	7 pm	<b>Forbidden Fairytale</b> 동화지만 청불입니다
<b>Sun 12</b>	4 pm	<b>Hear Me: Our Summer</b> 청설
	7 pm	<b>The Noisy Mansion</b> 백수아파트





Australian Premiere

# Hear Me: Our Summer

청설

**Sydney** Thurs 21 Aug, 7 pm  
+ Q&A with film director  
**Benalla** Sat 13 Sep, 5 pm  
**Toowoomba** Sun 14 Sep, 4 pm

**Parramatta** Fri 26 Sep, 3:45 pm  
**Victor Harbor** Sat 4 Oct, 2 pm  
**Alice Springs** Sun 5 Oct, 5 pm  
**Whitsunday** Sun 12 Oct, 4 pm

**2024 | 108 mins | No Restrictions | In Korean with English Subtitles**

Director: JO Seon-ho

Cast: HONG Kyung, ROH Yoon-seo, KIM Min-ju

Genre: Drama, Romance

Distributor: Hive Filmworks Inc.

Yong-Joon, a young man searching for his life's purpose, supports his family by delivering lunch boxes for their small business. During a delivery to a local swimming pool, he meets Yeo-Reum and is instantly smitten. Discovering she is deaf, Yong-Joon reaches out using sign language he learned years ago, laying the foundation for a heartfelt connection. Yeo-Reum, meanwhile, dedicates herself to nurturing her younger sister, Ga-Eul, a hearing-impaired swimmer with ambitious dreams. Balancing part-time work and Ga-Eul's demanding training schedule, Yeo-Reum has little time for herself. Yet, Yong-Joon's genuine care, expressed through the lunch boxes he delivers, slowly warms her heart, weaving a tender tale of love, sacrifice, and understanding.



# Q&A Screening with the film director

**Hear Me: Our Summer**

청설

Event Cinemas George St. (Sydney)

Following the Sydney screening on **Thurs 21 Aug, 7 pm**

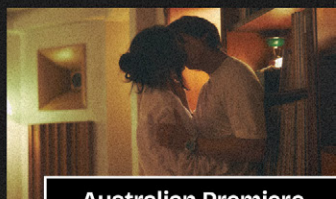


**Director. Jo Seon-ho**

조선희 감독

Jo Seon-ho, the visionary director behind *Hear Me: Our Summer* (2024), brings a heartfelt touch to Korean cinema with his sophomore feature, a remake of the 2009 Taiwanese rom-com *Hear Me*. Following his acclaimed debut thriller *A Day* (2017), Jo captivates audiences with this tender tale of love and connection, sensitively portraying deaf characters through vibrant visuals and Korean Sign Language. Premiering at the 29th Busan International Film Festival and screened at Rotterdam, his work blends warmth and empathy, earning praise for its authentic storytelling. Join us at KOFFIA 2025 to meet Jo and dive into his inspiring cinematic journey during our Q&A sessions!





Australian Premiere

# Hidden Face

히든페이스

**Sydney** Fri 22 Aug, 6:30 pm  
+ Q&A with film director

**2024 | 115 mins | U18+ | In Korean with English Subtitles**

Director: KIM Dae-woo

Cast: SONG Seung-heon, CHO Yeo-jeong, PARK Ji-hyun

Genre: Mystery, Thriller

Distributor: NEW

Seong-jin, a passionate conductor, and Su-yeon, a talented cellist, are on the cusp of marriage when Su-yeon vanishes, leaving only a cryptic farewell video. Devastated yet drawn forward, Seong-jin encounters Mi-joo, a cellist who steps into Su-yeon's role. As their lives intertwine, a clandestine bond forms, weaving them closer in a delicate dance of affection and secrecy. Yet, as their connection deepens, an unsettling sensation lingers—a feeling of being watched. Shadows of hidden truths begin to surface, unraveling desires and secrets that threaten to reshape their world.



# Q&A Screening with the film director

**Hidden Face**

히든페이스

Event Cinemas George St. (Sydney)

Following the Sydney screening on **Fri 22 Aug, 6:30 pm**



**Director. Kim Dae-woo**

김대우 감독

Kim Dae-woo, the masterful director of *Hidden Face* (2024), redefines the erotic thriller with a provocative remake of the 2011 Colombian film, cementing his reputation for exploring forbidden desires in films like *The Servant* (2010) and *Obsessed* (2014). Known for his lush visuals and bold narratives, Kim crafts a gripping tale of love, betrayal, and hidden truths set in a modern orchestra, earning *Hidden Face* over 1 million viewers in South Korea, a milestone for R-rated Korean cinema. Premiering at the 16th Brussels International Fantastic Film Festival, his latest work dazzles with twists and sensuality. Join us at KOFFIA 2025 to meet Kim and uncover his cinematic artistry in our Q&A sessions.





Australian Premiere

# Frankenstein Father

프랑켄슈타인 아버지

Sydney Sat 23 Aug, 2 pm

**2025 | 96 mins | U15+ | In Korean with English Subtitles**

Director: CHOI Jea-young

Cast: KANG Gil-woo, LEE Chan-yu, YANG Heung-ju

Genre: Drama

Distributor: STUDIO GENIE

Chi-sung, a skilled internist living a flawless yet rigid life, is shaken when Young-jae, a teenager born from sperm Chi-sung sold in his reckless youth, storms into his world. With fierce determination, Young-jae demands compensation, holding Chi-sung accountable for the flaws he believes define him. Initially locked in a heated clash to assign blame, Chi-sung finds himself stirred by guilt and a growing sense of kinship as time unfolds. The arrival of Dong-suk, Young-jae's devoted father, sparks a whirlwind of confusion and unease, drawing the trio into a tense collision. Two fathers, one son—a singular family triangle takes shape, weaving a tender, heartfelt saga of responsibility, identity, and the unexpected bonds that challenge our understanding of family.





**Australian Premiere**

## Forbidden Fairytale

동화지만 청불입니다

**Sydney** Sat 23 Aug, 4 pm  
**Benalla** Sat 13 Sep, 7:30 pm  
**Toowoomba** Sun 14 Sep, 7 pm  
**Parramatta** Fri 26 Sep, 7 pm

**Victor Harbor** Sat 4 Oct, 7 pm  
**Alice Springs** Sat 4 Oct, 8 pm  
**Whitsunday** Sat 11 Oct, 7 pm

**2025 | 109 mins | U18+ | In Korean with English Subtitles**

Director: LEE Jong-seok

Cast: PARK Ji-hyun, CHOI Si-won, SUNG Dong-il

Genre: Comedy

Distributor: Barunson E&A

Dan-bi, an aspiring children's book author with a heart full of whimsical dreams, lands an unexpected job on a Youth Protection Team, tasked with cracking down on illicit online content. Her ambitions take a wild detour when a twist of fate binds her to a shady contract with Hwang, a charismatic titan of the web erotica industry. Forced to pen steamy stories under his command, Dan-bi grapples with a world far from her fairytale ideals, stumbling through the unfamiliar terrain of sensual prose. Yet, with the quiet support of Jung-seok, a jaded colleague navigating his own career crossroads, and sparks of inspiration from her friends' colorful pasts, Dan-bi uncovers a surprising knack for storytelling that ignites her confidence. *Forbidden Fairytale* is a vibrant, heartfelt journey of self-discovery, blending sharp humor and unexpected warmth as Dan-bi learns to rewrite her own story in a world where dreams and reality collide.





Australian Premiere

## Shiri (4K Remastering)

쉬리 (4K 리마스터링)

Sydney Sat 23 Aug, 6:15 pm

**2025 | 125 mins | U15+ | In Korean with English Subtitles**

Director: KANG Jekyu

Cast: HAN Suk-kyu, CHOI Min-shik, SONG Kang-ho, KIM Yun-jin

Genre: Action, Drama, Romance, Mystery

Distributor: CJ ENM

RYU and LEE are special of O.P., the nation's top secret intelligence service. When an O.P. informer is shot by a sniper in broad daylight, RYU instinctively suspects the involvement of HEE, Ace-sniper of the North Korean 8th special force. Her track record includes numerous assassinations of government officials and the astonishing ability to dodge the authorities in disguise. In the process of investigating this case, RYU and LEE learn that HEE had attempted to secure into her possession South Korean explosives, but they fall into a deadly trap set by PARK, the leader of the North Korean special force. RYU recognizes PARK, whom he first met during a hijacking operation, in a surveillance video of a deadly hit, and realizes the latter's infiltration into South Korea. Meanwhile, O.P. suspects a mole in the organization when they realize that Hee is always one step ahead. The film heads toward a drastic conclusion as O.P. must put a stop to the explosive conspiracy that the North Koreans have in stock.





Australian Premiere

## The Daechi Scandal

대치동 스캔들

Sydney Sun 24 Aug, 2 pm

**2024, 109 mins, U15+, In Korean with English Subtitles**

Director: KIM Su-in

Cast: AN So-hee, PARK Sang-nam

Genre: Romance, Drama

Distributor: STUDIO GENIE

In the bustling heart of Daechi, Seoul's epicenter of academic fervor, Yoon-Im, once an aspiring novelist, now pours her passion into teaching Korean at a prestigious institute. On the final day of midterm exams at the middle school she oversees, an unexpected visitor disrupts her routine: Ki-Haeng, a fellow Korean teacher and her former love from a decade ago. Their reunion, glimpsed by watchful eyes, ignites a firestorm of gossip among Daechi's parents, stirring whispers that threaten to unravel Yoon-Im's carefully built life. The Daechi Scandal weaves a tender, heartfelt tale of past promises and present pressures, inviting audiences to explore the delicate dance of love, reputation, and second chances in a community driven by ambition.





Australian Premiere

# The Noisy Mansion

백수아파트

**Sydney** Sun 24 Aug, 4:20 pm  
+ Q&A with film director and actor

**Toowoomba** Sun 14 Sep, 1 pm

**Benalla** Sun 14 Sep, 1:30 pm

**Parramatta** Sat 27 Sep, 4:30 pm

**Alice Springs** Fri 3 Oct, 6:30 pm

**Victor Harbor** Sun 5 Oct, 7 pm

**Whitsunday** Sun 12 Oct, 7 pm

2025 | 97 mins | U15+ | In Korean with English Subtitles

Director: LEE Lu-da

Cast: GYEONG Su-jin, KO Kyu-phil, LEE Ji-hoon, KIM Joo-ryoung, CHOI Yoo-jung

Genre: Mystery/Comedy

Distributor: STUDIO GENIE

Geo-Wool, a lively single woman whose boisterous nature fills her younger brother Du-On's home, tends to household tasks and looks after his young daughter. Her spirited presence often clashes with Du-On, their sibling bond strained by constant quarrels. After a heated argument, Geo-Wool seeks independence and moves into Baekse Apartment alone. But on her first night, unsettling noises pierce through the floors at 4 AM, stealing her sleep. Ever resourceful, Geo-Wool teams up with her neighbors to unravel the mystery behind the eerie sounds. The Noisy Mansion weaves a warm, engaging tale of humor and curiosity, capturing the unexpected connections that emerge when secrets echo through a new home.



# Q&A Screening with the film director and actor

## The Noisy Mansion

백수아파트

Event Cinemas George St. (Sydney)

Following the Sydney screening on **Sun 24 Aug, 4:20 pm**



**Director. Lee Lu-da**

이루다 감독

Lee Lu-da, the dynamic first-time director of *The Noisy Mansion* (2025), bursts onto the scene with a mystery-comedy that blends sharp humor and social critique, drawing from her own experiences with urban noise. Winning the 2020 Korean Film Council Screenplay Contest, Lee crafts a vibrant tale of community and justice, centered on a tenacious heroine tackling eerie apartment sounds. Premiering at the 19th London Korean Film Festival, her debut showcases a fresh voice in Korean cinema, tackling urban anxieties with warmth and wit. Join us at KOFFIA 2025 to meet Lee and explore her bold storytelling in our Q&A sessions!



**Actor. Gyeong Su-jin**

경수진 배우

Gyeong Su-jin, born December 5, 1987, in Incheon, South Korea, is an acclaimed actress celebrated for her versatile performances across television and film. She debuted in 2011 with *New Tales of Gisaeng* and gained prominence with supporting roles in *Man from the Equator* (2012), *That Winter, the Wind Blows* (2013), and *Shark* (2013). Her first lead role in TV Novel: *Eunhui* (2013) earned her Best New Actress awards at the KBS Drama Awards, showcasing her ability to captivate audiences. Gyeong has since starred in dramas like *House of Bluebird* (2015), *Weightlifting Fairy Kim Bok-joo* (2016), and *Mouse* (2021), and films such as *The King's Case Note* (2017). At KOFFIA 2025, she joins us as the star of *The Noisy Mansion* (2025), an Australian premiere, bringing her dynamic presence to Sydney for an exclusive Q&A, sharing insights into her craft and Korean cinema's vibrant storytelling.





Australian Premiere

## Dirty Money

더러운 돈에 손대지 마라

Sydney Sun 24 Aug, 7 pm

2024 | 100 mins | U15+ | In Korean with English Subtitles

Director: KIM Min-su

Cast: JUNG Woo, KIM Dae-myeong, PARK Byung-eun, CHO Hyun-chul, CHEONG Hae-kyun

Genre: Action, Drama, Crime

Distributor: ACEMAKER

In the shadowy corners of Seoul's underworld, detectives Myung-deuk and Dong-hyuk walk a fine line between law and lawlessness. By day, they chase criminals; by night, they pocket bribes to fund personal struggles—Myung-deuk for his daughter's life-saving surgery, Dong-hyuk to escape a mountain of gambling debts. When a tip about a Chinese crime syndicate's untraceable cash haul sparks a daring scheme, the duo, joined by a cash-hungry colleague, plots a heist to rewrite their futures. But their near-perfect plan unravels when an undercover officer is killed in the chaos, thrusting them into a murder investigation—of their own making. As their colleague Detective Seung-chan, a sharp-witted rival with a tangled history, closes in, Myung-deuk and Dong-hyuk scramble to cover their tracks while dodging the syndicate's wrath. With pulse-pounding action, biting humor, and a heart that roots for flawed heroes, *Dirty Money* weaves a thrilling tale of desperation, loyalty, and the perilous allure of a quick score.





Australian Premiere

## Secret: Untold Melody

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Sydney Mon 25 Aug, 6:30 pm

2025 | 102 mins | No Restriction | In Korean with English Subtitles

Director: SEO You-min

Cast: DOH Kyung-soo, WON Jin-a, SHIN Ye-eun

Genre: Fantasy, Romance

Distributor: FINECUT

Yu Jun, a gifted pianist with dreams of global stardom, sees his world unravel when a wrist injury halts his career abroad. Returning to South Korea for recovery, he enrolls at his father's music college, seeking solace in familiar notes. In a quiet, seemingly forgotten practice room, he meets Jung A, a young woman whose passion for music mirrors his own. Their shared melodies spark an instant connection, kindling a tender romance that lights up Yu Jun's shadowed days. Yet, as their bond deepens, Jung A withdraws, her heart guarded by a hidden truth. When she vanishes without a trace, Yu Jun embarks on a heartfelt quest to find her, driven by love and the hope of unraveling her mystery. *Secret: Untold Melody* is a soulful, enchanting journey through music, love, and the secrets that test the bonds we cherish, inviting audiences to listen to the unspoken notes of the heart.





**Australian Premiere**

## About Family

### 대가족

#### Sydney

Tues 26 Aug, 6:30 pm  
+ Q&A with film director

#### Toowoomba

Sun 14 Sep, 10:30 am

#### Benalla

Sun 14 Sep, 11 am

#### Parramatta

Fri 26 Sep, 1 pm

#### Alice Springs

Sat 4 Oct, 3:30 pm

#### Victor Harbor

Sun 5 Oct, 2 pm

#### Whitsunday

Sat 11 Oct, 4 pm

2024 | 107 mins | No Restrictions | In Korean with English Subtitles

Director: YANG Woo-seok

Cast: KIM Yun-seok, LEE Seung-gi, KIM Sung-ryoung, KANG Hanna, PARK Su-young

Genre: Drama

Distributor: Lotte Entertainment

In a bustling South Korean town, Mu-ok reigns over Pyongmanok, a cherished restaurant that has drawn devoted patrons for decades, long before the age of viral fame. As a self-made culinary maestro, Mu-ok has poured his heart into building a legacy, dreaming that his only son, Moon-seok, would one day take the helm. But when Moon-seok abandons worldly ambitions to become a monk, Mu-ok is left heartbroken, fearing the family name will fade with him. Just as despair sets in, a group of lively children bursts into Pyongmanok, boldly claiming Moon-seok as their father. Stunned yet intrigued, Mu-ok finds himself at a crossroads, embracing the unexpected joy of a newfound family. Meanwhile, Moon-seok, reflecting on his life before the monastery, unearths a shocking secret that challenges everything he thought he knew about his past. With heartfelt humor and tender moments, About Family weaves a rich tapestry of legacy, love, and the surprises that redefine what it means to be family. This vibrant tale invites audiences to savor the warmth of connection and the unpredictable twists of fate.



# Q&A Screening with the film director

## About Family

대가족

Event Cinemas George St. (Sydney)

Following the Sydney screening on **Tues 26 Aug, 6:30 pm**



**Director. Yang Woo-seok**

양우석 감독

Yang Woo-seok, the acclaimed director of *About Family* (2024), brings his signature depth to a heartwarming comedy-drama that redefines family in modern Korea, following his socially resonant hits *The Attorney* (2013) and *Steel Rain* (2017). A former webtoon artist turned filmmaker, Yang's storytelling blends humor and humanity, earning *About Family* praise for tackling intergenerational bonds and societal shifts with warmth, premiered at the 29th Busan International Film Festival. Known for his meticulous research, including visiting over 100 dumpling shops for authenticity, Yang crafts universal stories that resonate deeply. Join us at KOFFIA 2025 to meet Yang and explore his profound cinematic vision during our Q&A sessions.



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