

The Tampa International Gay and Lesbian Film Festival announces partnership with award-winning freeFall theatre.

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Tampa, FL - The Tampa International Gay and Lesbian Film Festival has entered into a screening agreement with freeFall theatre to host their highly successful monthly film series in the theatre's 250 seat chapel.

TIGLFF's monthly series, now in its ninth year, showcases compelling LGBT feature films and documentaries from around the world. This year, in celebration of TIGLFF's 25th anniversary, the series focuses on films that have screened at the film festival throughout its history, especially those that have played a significant role in ushering in artistic, social or political change.

The lineup includes **Edie & Thea: A Very Long Engagement**, which chronicles the love affair and marriage behind the recent Supreme Court decision regarding marriage equality, and the box-office hit **Priscilla, Queen of the Desert**.

Voted Best Professional Theater in Florida by Broadway World, freeFall has revitalized the area's theater world with its daring productions of films such as **The Normal Heart** and **Cabaret**.

"TIGLFF is the perfect fit for freeFall. We are thrilled to provide our beautiful auditorium and screening room as a place to enjoy the excellent series of films that this prestigious festival brings to Tampa Bay."

- Kevin Lane, founder/board member

"As we begin our 25th Anniversary film series, I am very pleased to announce our partnership with freeFall Theatre. We value a sense of community in ourselves and others." - Kris Johnson, TIGLFF board president

February's film, **When Night Was Falling**, first seen at TIGLFF #6 (in 1995), is a fearless and passionate story about two women on the edge - Camille, a Christian academic, and Petra, a flamboyant avant-garde circus performer. The two women fall in love and must confront the changes their new relationship will mean for each of them.

The film, showcased at the 1995 Berlin International Film Festival, met with controversy upon its release in the US. One of the first films to accurately depict lesbian sex scenes on screen, the film was first given an NC-17 rating by the MPAA. Upon appeal for a less restrictive rating, which would open the film for wider theatrical release, the request was denied.

**Wednesday, February 12 7:30 PM
Freefall Theatre
6099 Central Ave. St. Petersburg, FL 33710**