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Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2024 1:19 PM
To: Steve Berlin <Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org>
Subject: RE: Invitation: Opening Night/ChicagoIFF - October 16 at 6:30pm

Hi Steve,

I wanted to follow up with a recap that I attended the Chicago International Film Festival's opening night reception and screening of The Piano Lesson last night, October 16, along with Jose (Alex) Vazquez, a member of team at the Chicago Film Office. I did receive my Department's approval to attend for myself and my team.

And I do recommend the film if you are able to see it at another festival screening or after it is released.

Best,

Jonah

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From: Jonah Zeiger <Jonah.Zeiger@cityofchicago.org>
Sent: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 2:58 PM
To: Steve Berlin <Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org>
Subject: FW: Invitation: Opening Night/ChicagoIFF - October 16 at 6:30pm

Steve,

Forwarding this invite from the Chicago International Film Festival to attend their Opening Night event in an official capacity. The Festival has also invited all members of my team in the Chicago Film Office (4 people) to attend.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I should simply follow up with a recap within 10 days of the event.

Let me know if my disclosure suffices for my team or if you need to hear from each of them individually.

Thanks,

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From: Vivian Teng <vteng@chicagofilmfestival.com>

Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2024 9:00 AM

To: Jonah Zeiger <Jonah.Zeiger@cityofchicago.org>

Cc: Mimi Plauché <mplauche@chicagofilmfestival.com>

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[Warning: External email]

Dear Jonah,

The 60th Chicago International Film Festival (October 16-27) kicks off with an incredible Opening Night presentation of [The Piano Lesson](#) on **Wednesday, October 16** at the Music Box, with director Malcolm Washington, actor John David Washington, and writer Virgil Williams in attendance.

We are delighted to invite you and a guest to join us. Details are below.

Please **RSVP by Thursday, October 10:**

<https://bit.ly/60FestOpening>

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Warmly,

Vivian and Mimi

PS - I'll send separate invites (single ticket) to Alex, Natalia, Betsey, and Tim.



You are cordially invited to
Opening Night
of the 60th Chicago International Film Festival



The Piano Lesson

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

In attendance:
Director Malcolm Washington - Breakthrough Award
Actor John David Washington - Spotlight Award

6:30pm: Welcome and award presentation,
followed by premiere of *The Piano Lesson*

MUSIC BOX THEATRE Music Box Theatre
3733 N Southport Ave
Chicago, IL

Seating is general admission.

RSVP by **Thursday, October 10** to:
bit.ly/60FestOpening

For more information, visit:
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