



Asian Producers Network (APN) and the New Zealand Film Commission invite submissions from producers who've received NZFC development funding or participated in an intensive NZFC-funded development programme.

Held from 26 to 30 October 2026, Asian Producers Network is a six-day producer development workshop and guided mentorship programme supporting the sustainable development of independent film producers. Open to producers from across Asia, the programme admits a cohort of 12 to 15 participants for structured engagement with project development methodology, international financing strategy and co-production practice.

The programme is led by renowned producer [Fran Borgia](#), now New Zealand based. One of the most prolific independent producers working in Asia, Borgia has produced many award-winning and critically acclaimed films, with premieres in competition in Cannes, Venice, Berlinale and Toronto.

The NZ Film Commission has secured a spot for one NZ producer to participate alongside this cohort of producers from around the world. The successful applicant will receive a travel grant of up to \$6,500 to support their participation in the programme.

What to expect:

- Workshop dates: 26-30 October 2026

For more information please visit, [Asian Producers Network 2026 - SGIFF](#)

Are you eligible to apply?

You are **eligible** to submit an application if you:

- Are a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident; and
- Are available to fully participate in the programme; and
- Have received development funding from NZ Film Commission since July 1 2024



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What to do if you are interested:

Submission Requirements

- A one-paragraph biography
- Your CV
- A cover letter explaining where you are at in your career, your filmmaking experience, your suitability for the programme, the projects you are currently working on, and what you hope to gain from the programme.
- A brief summary of the projects you are working on.
- A link to the piece of screen work you produced that you are most proud of.

To submit an application for the Asian Producers Network 2027, please apply via the [portal](#) by **1pm Monday 21 September 2026**.