



**African Movie
Festival
in Manitoba**

**Festival du film
africain
au Manitoba**

AM-FM 2022

September 23 - 25, 2022 | Gas Station Arts Center

445 RIVER AVENUE | WINNIPEG

**Symposium | African Films and the City: Space-making,
Place-making, Filmmaking**

SATURDAY, September 24, 2022 | 9am (8:30 Red Carpet/Coffee)

Keynote: Tunde Kelani

Respondent/Moderator: **Dr. Chigbo Arthur Anyaduba** | University of Winnipeg

Panelists:

Juliette Hagopian
Filmmaker Winnipeg,
MB

Shelly Anthis
City of Winnipeg, Film
Liaison

Onookome Okome
Professor, University of
Alberta

Steven Kohm
Professor, University of
Winnipeg, MB



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AFRICAN MOVIE FESTIVAL IN MANITOBA (AM-FM)

2022 SYMPOSIUM

THEME: African Films and the City: Space-making, Place-making, Filmmaking

Description

The symposium explores the rich, diverse, and dynamic representations of the city in African films, past and present. The symposium will facilitate conversations that examine the ideas of the city, the commitments to the city, and the spatial politics of the city in African films. The aim of the symposium is to highlight the social, political, and cultural environments portrayed in African and African diasporic films. The focus on film and the city invites critical thoughts on the important place that cities occupy in the world of African films, and on the kinds of social, economic, political, and cultural conditions of African lives and experiences. Among other things, the symposium will address questions about the celebration of city lives, the image of cities, the city as space/place for political and social change, the cultural and economic spheres of the city in African films, and the experiences of Africans in diasporic cities, especially in those of Manitoba and Canada more broadly.

The 2022 AM-FM Symposium will host a keynote speaker, Tunde Kelani, who will speak to the theme of the year's festival. Tunde Kelani is the preeminent Nigerian filmmaker, and one of the most distinguished directors on the African continent. His cinematographic endeavors come under the aegis of Mainframe Television and Film Production, which is situated in the heart of Abeokuta, Nigeria. His films are considered to be important works of substance, referenced as having contributed to transforming the culture of the film industry in Nigeria.

The keynote presentation will be complemented by two separate panel discussions. One of the panels will host leaders of different African community organizations in a conversation on the place and space of Africans in the world and in the specific locations of their residence in the world. The second panel will host cineastes, critics, and film enthusiasts in a conversation on African films and the city.

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Venue: Gas Station Arts Center, 445 River Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3L 0C3

Ticket: Complementary.

This event is hosted by Manitoba African Film Festival Inc., organizers of the African Movie Festival in Manitoba. The 5th Annual African Film Festival in Manitoba is scheduled for September 23 to 25, 2022.

For further information about the festival please visit www.am-fm.ca.

For inquiries and collaboration opportunities, please contact Ben Akoh at bakoh@am-fm.ca.

