

# FirstGlance Film Festivals

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## Premieres and Parties Make FirstGlance A Favorite for Indie Films

**PHILADELPHIA, PA, May 19, 2006** – FirstGlance 9, Philadelphia's only film festival for independents, runs **Thursday, June 1, 2006 to Sunday, June 4, 2006** at the **Painted Bride Art Center, 230 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA**. Get a first glance at over 15 world and Philadelphia premieres during the festival. Doors open at 7:30 PM on Thursday and Friday. Saturday and Sunday, doors open at 4:45 PM for the early screening and 7:45 PM for the late screening. After the screenings, join FirstGlance at some of Philly's hottest hangouts for drink specials and networking with filmmakers. **Konak Turkish Restaurant, 228 Vine Street**, is hosting Thursday and Saturday night's after parties. Friday night, party at **Marmont Steakhouse, 222 Market Street**, and Sunday night's closing party is at **Swanky Bubbles, 10 S. Front Street**.

FirstGlance is about seeing a film before it hits theaters. At FirstGlance 9 you'll see the premieres of **Seed**, **VAN STONE: Tour of Duty**, **The Chase**, **Blindsight**, **In Glass** by Philadelphia's Rory Douglas, **Paper Thin Walls** by New Jersey's Justin Warias, the feature film **A New Wave**, **Lucid**, **Awakening** by Philadelphia director Kathilynn Phillips, the controversial feature film **PERVERT!**, **All Souls Day**, and **Swallow Your Pride** by Philadelphia director Joshua Camerote. Other features include **Cyxork 7**, **The Garage**, and **You Did What? Rent Control**, a short film by local director Tesia Barone, will also be shown.

William Ostroff, FirstGlance Festival Director said, "FirstGlance is one of the few festivals to present projects from true indie filmmakers and although FirstGlance's focus is on the up and coming independent film and filmmaker, there are some familiar names like **Joe Mantegna, Jennie Garth, Lorraine Newman, Scott Baio, Ray Wise, Greg Proops, Andrew Keegan, Lacey Chabert, William Sadler, Mary Carey, Jeff Kober, Mark Feuerstein, Danica McKellar, David Forsyth, Laurence Lau, and Xander Berkeley** among our official selections."

FirstGlance encourages networking between moviemakers and brings the true spirit of indie filmmaking to audiences. At FirstGlance, the audience chooses the winners, making for fierce competition and great audience feedback at each and every screening. Winners from Philadelphia will be screened at the FirstGlance Hollywood Fest in December.

Visit the FirstGlance site, [www.firstglancefilms.com](http://www.firstglancefilms.com), for information on finalists, schedules, project descriptions, ticket sales and other information on the festivals.

Seating is limited. Tickets on sale NOW at [www.tix.com](http://www.tix.com)!

\$10.00 admission for single screenings

\$15 FirstNight Screening

\$50.00 All Access Pass -Admission to all Events

Please feel free to contact Andrea DiFabio for interviews, newspaper or magazine articles, television or radio special segments or if you'd be interested in previewing a project by one of the finalists for a film review. Project descriptions and cast lists are available upon request.

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