## HOLLYWOOD REEL INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL

PRESS RELEASE

LOS ANGELES - The 2012 **Hollywood Reel Independent Film Festival** is proud to screen the newly restored "1960s and 1970s Films of Tinto Brass," starring **Vanessa Redgrave and Franco Nero.** 

The Hollywood Reel Independent Film Festival (HRIFF) returns to the New Beverly Cinema in December, 2012, to screen their largest, most extensive program to date, featuring over 70 films, including the retrospective, "1960s and 1970s Films of Tinto Brass."

The HRIFF' "1960s and 1970s Films of Tinto Brass" retrospective includes world premieres of expanded and restored versions of the rarest Tinto Brass films of the 1960s and 1970s, including Dropout and La Vacanza, which star the acting team of Vanessa Redgrave and Franco Nero, who were such fans of Tinto Brass that they produced and financed these films themselves.

Vanessa Redgrave is the only actress ever to win the Oscar, Emmy, Tony, Golden Globe and SAG film awards. She also won the Olivier Award for her stage work. She has starred in over 80 films, among them Mary, Queen of Scots and Mission Impossible. Tennessee Williams and Arthur Miller both referred to Redgrave as "the greatest living actress of our time".

Franco Nero also starred in over 80 films, including the famous western, Django (1966), and Camelot (1967), during the filming of which he met Vanessa Redgrave. They never officially married, but lived together and had a child in the 1960s. More recently, they reunited as a couple "bound by love and commitment." They starred in 2010's Letters to Juliet.

HRIFF is excited to present their work in **Dropout** and **La Vacanza** in extended and restored versions with never-seen-before footage taken from the Tinto Brass archives. These works will be screened along with new documentaries about the making of each film and Q&A with **Tinto Brass** and film-scholar **Alexander Tuschinski**, the foremost scholastic authority on Tinto Brass and (Tinto Brass's version of Caligula) in the world today.

Tinto Brass turns 80 years old next year, and HRIFF believes his early films deserve to be seen as they were intended, and to be cherished by a new generation of moviegoers.

HRIFF is held Dec 3-12<sup>th</sup> 2012 in Los Angeles, CA. Dec 3-5 at the New Beverly Cinema 7165 W. Beverly Blvd, Hollywood, CA 90036 Dec 6-12 at Bellvarado Studios 2107 Bellevue Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90026

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"TINTO on HRIFF" PROMO TRAILER: www.youtube.com/watch?v=nPtCGOF6CSQ

## HRIFF at the NEW BEVERLY CINEMA SPECIAL TINTO BRASS SCREENINGS –

Dropout starring Vanessa Redgrave & Franco Nero - Tue. Dec 4th at 7:30pm

Q&A with Tinto Brass and film-scholar Alexander Tuschinski. First U.S. screening in 30 years. Restored Print with new material from Brass Archives. New Subtitles.

WORLD PREMIERE

Nerosubianco screens Monday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>at 9:30pm.

Q&A with Tinto Brass and film-scholar Alexander Tuschinski. Restored Print with material from Tinto Brass archives.

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La Vacanza screens Monday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>at 3pm.

Starring Vanessa Redgrave & Franco Nero. First U.S. screening in 30 years. Restored Print with previously unavailable footage.

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**Tempo Lavorativo / Tempo Libero** (1964) - <u>Wednesday, Thus. 6th at 8:00pm</u> PREMIERE of Tinto Brass Documentary by Alexander Tuschinski to follow. At BelleVarado Studios.

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