

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## Orchids: My Intersex Adventure voted Number One by audiences at the 2010 Brisbane International Film Festival.

After enjoying a sold out premiere at the 11-day film festival, producer / director Phoebe Hart welcomed the news that *Orchids* shone out in an outstanding cinematic field.

"The audience response to the film was amazing. I am very grateful for the opportunity to exhibit the film at BIFF and for all the wonderful comments and praise I received from audience members every time the film was screened", said Ms Hart.

"There was also some great publicity and media around the film's debut."

The Queensland Premier and Minister for the Arts Anna Bligh also acknowledged *Orchids'* success.

"Congratulations to Brisbane's Phoebe Hart... for her film *Orchids: My Intersex Adventure* which was voted number one in the Showtime Top Ten," Ms Bligh said.

*Orchids: My Intersex Adventure* is an ATOM Award winning autobiographical documentary that candidly examines the shame and secrecy surrounding her intersex condition (also known as a 'hermaphrodite' or a disorder of sexual development).

Screen Queensland and Screen Australia financed the documentary, which is a JTV Doc ABC/Screen Australia initiative produced in association with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. The international sales agent for the project is First Hand Films of Switzerland and Germany.

For more information about *Orchids: My Intersex Adventure* contact hartflicker Moving Pictures' Media Liaison Officer on +61 (0)405 143 086 or email your query to info@hartflicker.com. Further information and an electronic press kit can be found at www.orchids-themovie.com

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## SHOWTIME TOP TEN AT BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2010

- 1. Orchids: My Intersex Adventure director Phoebe Hart
- 2. Howl director by Rob Epstein
- 3. Blue Valentine director Derek Gianfrance
- 4. Strange Birds in Paradise director Charlie Hill-Smith
- 5. Jucy director Louise Alston
- 6. Gasland director Josh Fox
- 7. Sound of Mumbai director Sarah McCarthy
- 8. Cameraman: The Life and Work of Jack Cardiff director Craig McCall
- 9. Mugabe and the White African director Lucy Bailey
- 10. Bill Cunningham: New York director Richard Press