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INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION COMES TO LOCAL THEATRES

Florence and the Uffizi Gallery in 3D takes you on a tour of the city that was once the cradle of the Renaissance and its museum par excellence, the Uffizi Gallery.

This immersive, multi-sensory tour of the celebrated breeding ground of creativity in Florence that was home to legendary figures like Michelangelo, Raphael and Botticelli, presents an inside look into the very treasure house containing their masterpieces: the Uffizi Gallery.

The secret story of each of the timeless works of art in the gallery will be disclosed in all its beauty, including the breathtaking "Adoration of the Magi" by Leonardo Da Vinci, which was brought back to life in 2016, after several years of restoration.

Art plays the leading role in the film, thanks to the moving narration provided by the mastermind of the Italian Renaissance, Lorenzo the Magnificent, played by Simon Merrells (*Spartacus*) and authoritative contributions from the main international expert in Renaissance art Arturo Galansino (curator of the Royal Academy in London and newly appointed director of the Strozzi Foundation in Florence) who signed the academic, artistic and scientific supervision of the script, and Antonio Natali, director of the Uffizi, who will welcome us inside the Gallery and will detail the key works.

Florence and the Uffizi Gallery in 3D is part of Country Arts SA's Arts On Screen program.

Country Arts SA's Arts Programming Manager Louisa Norman said *Florence and the Uffizi Gallery* gave patrons a chance to travel to the other side of the world and experience a once-in-a-lifetime visit of one of the world's most lauded galleries.

"*Florence and the Uffizi Gallery* is the next best thing to visiting the gallery itself. You'll be privy to excellent narration that moves you into a different time and place - and you get to skip the long queues outside the Uffizi. Country Arts SA's Arts On Screen brings the world's best art exhibitions on screen to regional South Australia so we can all enjoy an international experience without the expense," she said.

Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre, Mount Gambier – 22 November, 7pm (3D), 97mins

Adult \$20, Concession \$20, Gold Friend \$19

Book your tickets today with the box office on 8723 8741 or online*. For more information and to see a short trailer for the show go to www.countryarts.org.au



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