



# **RON HOWARD INAUGURATES THE 42TFF WITH EDEN**

# The two-time Oscar<sup>®</sup> winning director will present his new film at the opening ceremony of the Torino Film Festival

**Ron Howard** will inaugurate the **42<sup>nd</sup> Torino Film Festival** with the **international premiere** screening of his movie *Eden* during the **opening ceremony** on **November 22** at the Teatro Regio Torino. The director, who has won two Oscars<sup>®</sup>, has made unforgettable movies, such as *Apollo 13*, *A Beautiful Mind*, and *The Da Vinci Code*.

*Eden* is a drama thriller with a top-tier cast, including **Jude Law**, **Ana De Armas**, **Vanessa Kirby**, **Daniel Brühl**, and **Syndey Sweeney**. The movie is an exclusive for Italy, through **Italian International Film** (Lucisano Media Group) in collaboration with **Rai Cinema** and will be soon be distributed by **01 Distribution**.

## The synopsis of Eden

Dr. Friedrich Ritter and his wife Dora Strauch are two European idealists who flee Germany in 1929, repudiating the bourgeois values they believe are destroying the true nature of humanity, and move to the uninhabited island of Floreana, in the Galapagos archipelago.

But their coveted solitude doesn't last long.

They are initially joined by Margaret and Heinz Wittmer, serious and competent colonists, and later by the baroness Eloise Bosquet de Wagner Wehrhorn accompanied by her two lovers, an Ecuadorian servant, and a piano, with the intention of opening a luxury hotel on the island. The bad weather, the wild fauna, and the total lack of comforts and civilization make their cohabitation very difficult but the greatest challenge will be coexisting with their desperate neighbors who are willing to do anything to assert themselves.

The **Torino Film Festival** is realized by the **National Cinema Museum of Turin** and takes place with the contribution of the Directorate General for Cinema and Audiovisual of the Italian Ministry of Culture, the Piedmont Region, the City of Turin, the Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo, and the Fondazione CRT.

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