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Following its world premiere at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM) 2024, My Melbourne, a unique anthology, helmed by four of India's most celebrated filmmakers – Imtiaz Ali, Kabir Khan, Rima Das, and Onir – is set for its India premiere at the prestigious Mumbai Film Festival (MAMI) 2024. The film will premiere in the coveted "Gala Section" on 22nd October, with all four directors in attendance. My Melbourne has been produced by Mitu Bhowmick Lange, in partnership with VicScreen and Screen Australia.

My Melbourne brings together four distinct voices, each interpreting personal and universal stories of identity, belonging, and through the lens of people from varied background living in Australia. This unique cinematic project is the result of a collaborative initiative by IFFM and Film Victoria to encourage cross-cultural storytelling, where aspiring

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filmmakers from Melbourne teamed up with these renowned directors to create a collection of thought-provoking narratives. The shorts include 'Emma' by Rima Das, 'Jules' which is helmed by Imtiaz Ali, 'Nandini' by Onir and 'Setara' by Kabir Khan. The films are a reflective of varied themes of diversity including gender, race, sexuality and disability. The intent of the project was to be truly inclusive and share stories that are truly accessible to all.

Reflecting on the upcoming MAMI premiere, Imtiaz Ali, of his segment Jules, said, "It's an honor to present My Melbourne to Indian audiences at MAMI. The stories we've told are not just about the diaspora but about anyone who has ever felt a sense of displacement or longed to belong. 'Jules' is a deeply personal film for me, and I can't wait for the audience in Mumbai to experience it."

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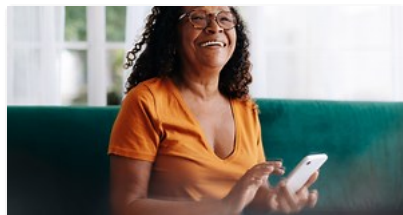
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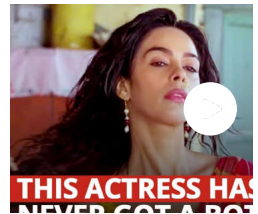
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People born on these specific dates often embody a unique blend of calm strength and hidden intensity. Whether it's the first day of the month or dates like the 10th, 19th, 17th, 28th, 15th, 8th, or 26th, those with these birthdays are generally known for their tranquil demeanor, grounded energy, and unshakeable focus. They move through life with a quiet confidence, radiating a sense of stability that others naturally gravitate toward.

These individuals are not ones to be easily stirred. They handle challenges with composure and resilience, often preferring to observe and strategize before acting. Their ability to stay level-headed in turbulent situations is one of their most admirable traits. Friends and family frequently turn to them for guidance, drawn by their steadfast nature and practical approach to life's hurdles. But while they may seem unbreakable and unbothered, there's a depth to these individuals that reveals itself only when needed.

When pushed too far or when their values are questioned, these seemingly calm people

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