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Mist present the 2<sup>nd</sup> Out & Loud - Pune International Queer Film Festival. (*Three days of celebrating queer cinema at Farmaash Lounge and The Monalisa Kalagram*)

**Pune, MH:** Mist, a queer collective dedicated to showcasing the best of queer talent in the arts, announces a three-day film festival for all cinephiles called Out & Loud Pune International Queer Film Festival (PIQFF). The 2018 PIQFF opens April 6<sup>th</sup> at Farmaash Lounge, Viman Nagar and will continue on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> April at The Monalisa Kalagram, Koregaon Park. The Festival will also have fun performances and a panel discussion on Acceptance.

“Out of an overwhelming 1615 submissions, we shortlisted 128 films this year” said Ram, who spearheaded the film selection team this year. “We received films from 103 countries, including countries like Iceland, Iran and Tunisia. This was way over what we received last year and we hope this trend of queer films multiplying each year continues.”

The offerings this year comprise a diverse list of films listed below:

- The Red Dress
- Mum, I’m Back
- My son is Gay
- Something About Alex
- The Masterful Hermit
- Build a Boo
- Aren't We Here for Each Other?
- Dad is Pretty
- Aanvesham
- Any Other Day
- Bus Stop
- The Fish Curry
- The Family Robinson
- The Strength Within You - Love Wins

**About Mist:** Mist is an 8-year-old LGBTQ collective that started in Bengaluru in 2010 and spread out to Pune and Hyderabad. Mist aims to build stronger bonds within the queer community and with our allies by creating queer-friendly spaces where people can showcase their talents and learn from each other to build a world of acceptance and possibilities.