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Top Five Tribeca Film Festival Trailers

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The birds are chirping, the sun is (kinda) shining and flowers are starting to bud, indicating that it's that glorious time of year again. And no, we don't mean spring: The Tribeca Film Festival returns tomorrow for its 10th year with an amazing line-up. Unfortunately, with all the great films, it's hard to decide what to see. Which is why God invented trailers. After the jump, check out the best trailers we've seen from New York-based filmmakers in the festival.



[The Bully Project, directed by Lee Hirsch](#)

Bullying is a problem for anyone who's gone to school in America. Which is why this trailer really hits home. The trailer introduces victims of bullying—including the parents of one that committed suicide. However, don't get too bummed out: The end suggests hope and help for victims as they struggle to get through schools. The movie is also a part of a grassroots movement to create safer environments in which kids can learn and play.

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[Give Up Tomorrow, directed by Michael Collins](#)

There's something about "true crime" stories that really get us interested. In this trailer, you're introduced to the brutal kidnap, rape and murder of two sisters in the Philippines. The crime seemed to have taken the entire country by storm because when 19-year-old Paco Larrañaga was arrested, the trailer shows a lot of people going crazy. The young man, according to him, his lawyer and his mother, didn't do the crime, for which he may be given the death penalty. This movie is sure to sensationalize and will hopefully answer some questions the trailer poses—did he actually do it?

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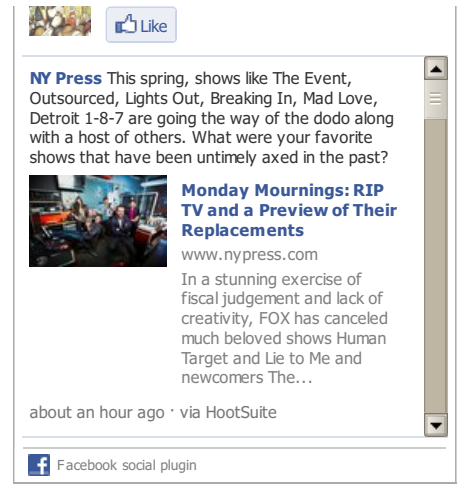
The Carrier, directed by Maggie Betts

Focusing on the story of a young woman with HIV in Zambia, Betts tackles the issue of HIV/AIDS and what local officials in afflicted tribes are doing to curb its spread. Though it has the typical indie chimes for dramatic effect, the trailer is pretty good. It suggests the movie will demonstrate the problems in curbing a disease spread by sex which can easily be spread to children resulting from sex. It's a hot-button topic, but this movie will hopefully get people in other countries to listen and learn.

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The Kite, directed by Prashant Bhargava

The Kite is the only film on our list that's both uplifting and isn't a documentary, which says something about the state of our world. Set to upbeat Indian music, the trailer says little about the film's plot, but there's such a display of emotion (and vibrant colors) that it's hard to not want to see it. According to the Tribeca Film Festival guide, it's about a father and son who go to visit extended family after the death of a wife and mother. While the trailer shows characters weeping, it's the simplistic and awesome power of their smiles that makes us want to see the movie.



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The Swell Season, directed by Carlo Mirabella-Davis, Chris Dapkins and Nick August-Perna

All you need to know about *The Swell Season* is that it's a romantic documentary about Glen Hansard and Marketa Irglova from *Once*, who became famous after indie movie and after the movie's original song "Falling Slowly" won an Academy Award. The trailer—all in black and white, like the movie itself—hints at the star's struggling romance as they go on tour after the winning an Oscar. The trailer suggests the movie will follow the pair as they discover what it means to be famous and in love (aw).

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