



From 29 SEPTEMBER to 4 OCTOBER

JAMES FRANCO
in

DESERT FILMS

Show in english language with Italian subtitles

Written by **JAMES FRANCO**

Directed by **JAMES FRANCO & PETER GOLD**

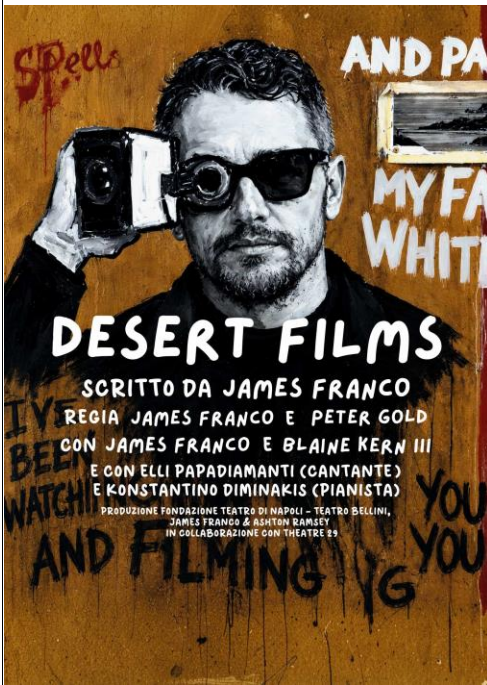
with **JAMES FRANCO & BLAINE KERN III**

& with **ELLI PAPADIAMANTI (singer)**

& **KONSTANTINO DIMINAKIS (pianist)**

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Desert Films is a live stage performance starring James Franco and Blaine Kern in a cinematic storytelling series exploring the nature and cost of fame.

This piece revisits the Robert Blake–inspired character from *Lost Highway*, appearing as a mysterious manifestation who confronts a young actor—kidnapped and tied up—and delivers a haunting monologue about the seduction and traps of celebrity.

The performance intentionally blurs the line between film and theater, reality and fiction, creating an intimate, unsettling experience where audiences feel they are witnessing something raw and immediate—almost as if a film scene has come alive on stage.

“Desert Films is a firing squad of dark humor with plenty of exploratory banter about the psyche of the actor, the motives of those running the “Hollywood machine,” and the curated reality seen in movies, on TV, and in social media.” Maggie Yates Santa Barbara Magazine

“One of my main interests is Hollywood — I read every book I can about old movies, new movies, and stars and directors and editors, cinematographers and writers over the history of the medium — set designers, too. I just love the art and craft of filmmaking and the people that engage with it. I am also very interested in stories we that relate to Hollywood as a kind of addiction, stories where people love Hollywood so much that someone actually dies because of their proximity to the heat of Hollywood “ – James Franco

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