

Lights, camera, action! York film fest rolling into town

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The second York Region Film Festival, a celebration of diversity, kicked off this week.

The event calls on local filmmakers and photographers to depict life in York Region.

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This year's opening ceremony, featuring director and writer Christina Pochmursky, were held at regional headquarters in Newmarket Thursday. Ms Pochmursky is recognized for her documentaries and

work with PBS, Discovery Channel and the History Channel.

Screenings are May 11 to 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. in most locations. Each screening is followed with interviews and a panel discussion. Tickets are \$6.

The festival will conclude with a closing gala, featuring producer and director Christopher Crowley at the Aurora Cultural Centre June 1 during which winners will be honoured. Gala admission is \$25.

For tickets and details, visit yorkregionfilmfestival.com

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- May 10: King municipal office, 2075 King Rd.
- May 11,12: Newmarket Seniors Centre, 474 Davis Dr.
- May 12: Richmond Hill Centre of Performing Arts, 10268 Yonge St.
- May 13: Whitchurch-Stouffville, Lebovic Arts Centre - Nineteen on the Park, 19 Civic Ave.
- May 13,14: Georgina' Stephen Leacock Centre, 130 Gwendolyn Blvd., (6:30 to 8:30 p.m.)
- May 19: Aurora Cultural Centre, 22 Church St.
- May 19: Vaughan Civic Centre, 2141 Major Mackenzie Dr.
- May 20: Markham Civic Centre, 101 Town Centre Blvd.

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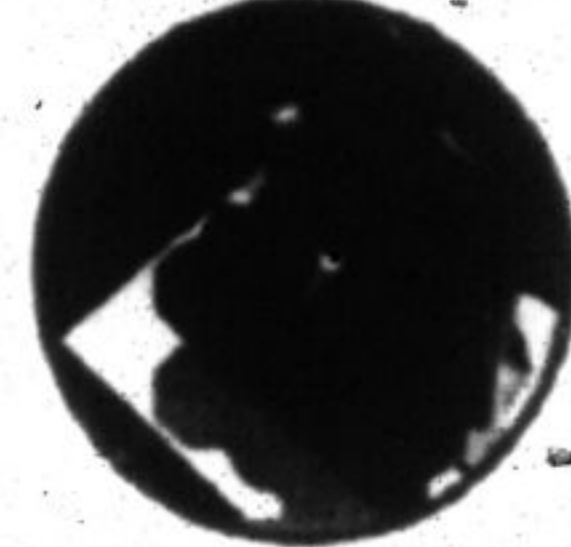
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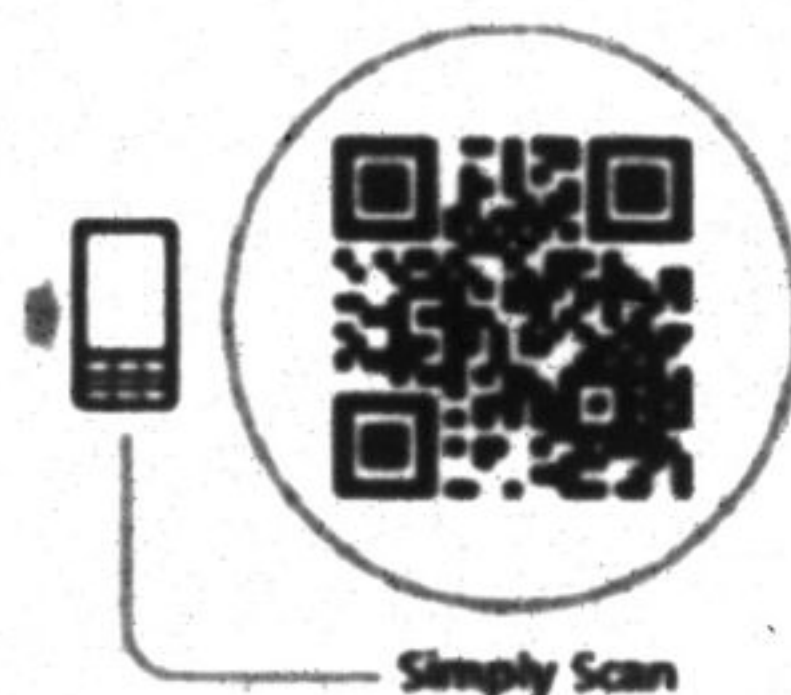
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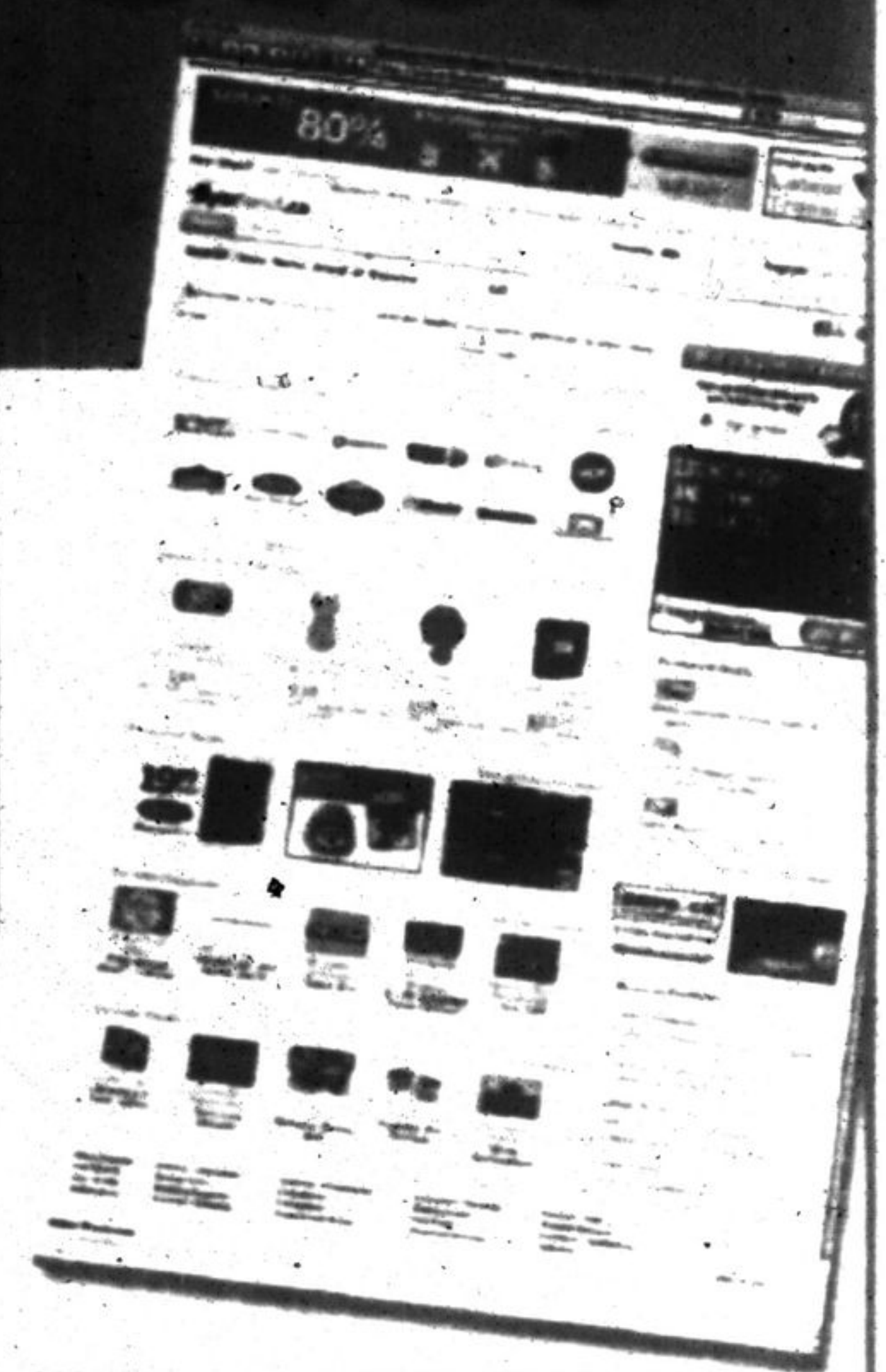
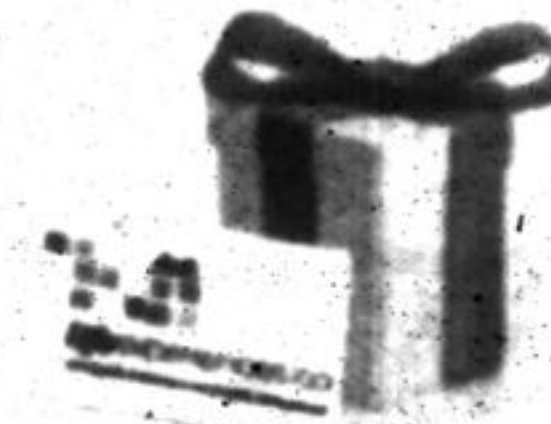
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