

# Williams' *Mayday Tugs of War* At Toronto Film Festival



*Tugboat Heroes*

Robin D. Williams' *Mayday-Tugs of War-Europe*, nearly three years in the making, will be the featured film shown at the Commfest Film Festival in Toronto later this month.

The picture that tells the epic story of the forgotten tugboat heroes of World War II, won the coveted 8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 29, time slot at Toronto's Rainbow Cinema theater.

The Commfest—Community Film Festival—selected 30 films to showcase from several hundred submitted by filmmakers from Canada and around the world. Actor Danny Glover is the narrator of one entry.

Williams has alerted all area tugboat veterans to the Festival showing. Pieter Kool, Canadian sponsor, will be the moderator of the discussion following the showcase.

The Laguna Beach, California, filmmaker shot *Tugs of War* in high definition, but the Toronto entry will be shown in 16x9 standard. The film was edited by Rosetta Williams over a 16-month period. Robin Jr. also assisted in the filming as did the late Gale Worth.

War archival footage came from the National Archive in Washington and the Imperial War Museum in London.

The film has an original score, *Shores of Normandy*, written and performed by award-winning folk singer Jim Radford, a tugboat veteran. Daniel Montgomery of Atlanta did the orchestration.

More information at <http://www.commfest.com/screenings.html> . Scroll down to Series H.