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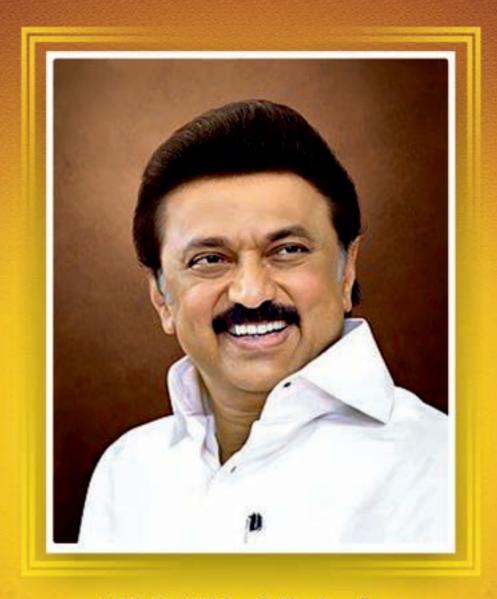
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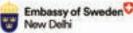






























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TAMIL FEATURE FILM - JURY

Jury Chairman: Mr. KR



Kothanda Ramaiah (also known as K.R and Keyaar) is an Indian Tamil film director, producer, distributor and exhibitor. He has held various leading positions in different film industry organizations. KR studied film processing at the Adyar Film Institute in Chennai in 1972.[1] Upon graduation in 1975, he spent three years as a technician in Doordarshan Kendra. KR made his debut film as a director and producer with the Malayalam film Sisirathil Oru Vasantham.

Ms. Anupama Subramanian



She has been a journalist for 3 decades and has critical experience in a number of mediums, including print, television, and online. Currently, she is working as the Entertainment Editor for a leading daily newspaper, Deccan Chronicle in Chennai. Writing, editing and television production are her forte, and it is the oxygen that also fuels her film and broadcasting career, which includes casting and production design.

TAMIL FEATURE FILM - JURY

Mr. Rajesh Yadav



Rajesh Yadav is an Indian cinematographer who works in Tamil, Telugu, Kannada & Malayalam film industry. His film, Lee, Pokkisham were critically acclaimed for cinematography. He won Special Jury Award for Best cinematography (Pokkisham - Movie) in the 7th Chennai International Film Festival (Kalaignar TV Award for Best cinematography).

Mr. Kannan N



He is a movie producer, actor and theatre artist. He started off his film career more than 30 years back. He has worked under some renowned directors of the Tamil film industry and has gained immense experience in this field. He has worked under Mr. Gyanarajasekar for about 5 years and under Mr. Lenin for almost 10 years and worked under Mr. Lenin's brother for 20 years. He hails from Namakkal in Tamil Nadu. He has acted in more than 60 serials. He is also an active dubbing artist for many years.





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Opening Film

OPENING FILM

Triangle of Sadness | Triangle of Sadness | 2022 | English, Swedish, German, French, Greek, Tagalog | 147 min Sweden, France, United Kingdom, Germany, Turkey, Greece



Synopsis

A fashion model celebrity couple join an eventful cruise for the super-rich.



Ruben Ostlund

About the Director

Ruben Östlund was born on 13 April 1974 in Styrsö, Västra Götalands län, Sweden. He is a director and editor, known for Force Majeure (2014), The Square (2017) and Triangle of Sadness (2022). He was previously married to Andrea Östlund. He has been nominated for 1 BAFTA Award, has 64 wins & 62 nominations in total to his credit.

Director: Ruben Östlund

Producer: Erik Hemmendorff, Philippe Bober

Scriptwriter: Ruben Östlund

Cinematographer: Fredrik Wenzel

Editor: Mikel Cee Karlsson, Ruben Östlund

Genre(s): Drama, Comedy

Music: -

Cast: Harris Dickinson, Charlbi Dean,

Woody Harrelson

Festivals & Awards: Cannes Film Festival 2022

- Palme d'Or winner

Cannes Film Festival 2022 - I more win

San Sebastián International Film Festival 2022

- I nomination

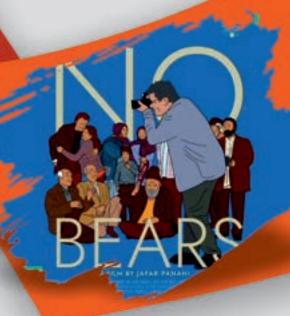
6 other nominations



CLOSING FILM

No Bears | No Bears | 2022 | Persian, Azerbaijani | 106 min

Iran



Synopsis

Two parallel love stories in which the partners are thwarted by hidden, inevitable obstacles, the force of superstition, and the mechanics of power.



lafar Panahi

About the Director

Born 11 July 1960 is an Iranian film director, screenwriter and film editor, commonly identified with the Iranian New Wave film movement. After several years of making short films and working as an assistant director for fellow Iranian film-maker Abbas Kiarostami, Panahi achieved international recognition with his feature film debut, The White Balloon (1995). The film won the Caméra d'Or at the 1995 Cannes Film Festival, the first major award won by an Iranian film at Cannes.

Director: Jafar Panahi

Producer: Jafar Panahi

Scriptwriter : Jafar Panahi

Cinematographer: Amin Jafari

Editor: Amir Etminan

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Naser Hashemi, Reza Heydari, Mina Kavani

Festivals & Awards:

Venice Film Festival 2022 - 1 win & 1 nomination

I win & 3 nominations

Tamil Film Competition

- AADHAAR
- BEGINNING
- BUFFOON
- GARGI
- KIDA
- IRAVIN NIZHAL

- IRUDHI PAKKAM
- KASADA THAPARA
- MAAMANITHAN
- NATCHATHIRAM NAGARGIRATHU
- O2
- YUDDHA KAANDAM



Aadhaar | 2022 | Tamil | 112 min India



The movie explores how a layman is affected by the economics of politics and police power.



Director: Ramnath Palanikumar

Producer: P. Sasee Kumar

Scriptwriter: Ramnath Palanikumar

Cinematographer: Mahesh Muthuswami

Editor: Ramar

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Srikanth Deva

Cast: C. Arunpandian, Karunas,

Riythvika Panneerselvam

Festivals & Awards: -



Ramnath is known for Thirunaal (2016), Aadhaar (2022) and Ambasamudram Ambani (2010). He is a director and writer.

Beginning | 2022 | Tamil | 120 min

India



"Beginning" is Asia's first split-screen movie helmed by Jagan Vijaya. It was bankrolled by Vijaya Muthusamy under the Lefty Manual Creations banner.



Director: Jagan Vijaya

Producer: Vijaya Muthusamy

Scriptwriter: Jagan Vijaya

Cinematographer: Veera Kumar

Editor: CS Prem Kumar

Genre(s): Thriller, Drama

Music: Sundramurthy KS

Cast: Vinoth Kishan, Gouri G Kishan

Festivals & Awards: -



About the Director

Jagan Vijaya is a director. He is from Tamil Nadu. His movie 'Beginning' is Asia's first split screen movie.

Buffoon | 2022 | Tamil | 119 min

India



Rangarajan, a powerful casteist politician confronts the party leader for MLA seat and if denied warns to start a separate party. How far will he go to see it happen?



Director: Ashok Veerappan

Producer: Jayaram G, Kaarthekeyen Santhanam,

Sudhan

Scriptwriter: Ashok Veerappan

Cinematographer: Dinesh Purushothaman

Editor: Vetre Krishnan

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Santhosh Narayanan

Cast: Vaibhav Reddy, Anagha LK,

Anthakudi Ilayaraja

Festivals & Awards: -



Ashok Veerappan

About the Director

Ashok Veerappan is known for Jigarthanda (2014), Buffoon (2022) and Dheepan (2015). He is a director and writer.

Gargi | 2022 | Tamil | 140 min India



The journey of a young school teacher to prove her father's innocence with the help of a juvenile advocate who's never even seen the interiors of a court hall.



About the Director

Gautham Ramachandran was born in Kerala, India. He is known for Gargi (2022), Richie (2017) and Mugamoodi (2012).



Director: Gautham Ramachandran

Producer: Aishwarya Lekshmi

Scriptwriter: Hariharan Raju,

Gautham Ramachandran

Cinematographer: Premkrishna Akkattu

Editor: Shafique Mohamed Ali

Genre(s): Drama, Thriller

Music: Govind Vasantha

Cast: Sai Pallavi, Kaali Venkat, RS Shivaji

Kida | 2022 | Tamil | 123 min

India



Kadhir and his pet goat Karupu, live with his grandfather Chellaiya and grandmother in the remote village of Kambur, Tamil Nadu. Grandfather Chellaiya, grandson Kadhir and his pet goat Karupu and butcher Vellaisamy are three people whose dreams are interlinked with the fate of a goat Karupu. What will be the fate of Karupu?



RA Venkat

About the Director

RA Venkat was born in Madurai district and brought up in Ramanathapuram district. He was driven by a passion for cinema from a young age. His first break came in 2010 when he was taken on board as an assistant director for movies; such as "Mandhira Punnagai" "Yathumaagi".

Director: RA Venkat

Producer: "Sravanthi" Ravi Kishore

Scriptwriter: RA Venkat

Cinematographer: M Jayaprakash

Editor: Anand Geraldin Genre(s): Drama, Thriller

Music: Anand Geraldin

Cast: Poo Ramu, Paandiyamma, Kaali Venkat



Iravin Nizhal | 2022 | Tamil | 122 min India



Nandhu, a financier, journeys through the struggles of his internal guilt while searching for his mortal rival. We follow him, as if we are a reflection of his shadow, eventually leading to us to only one question... will Nandhu succeed?



Parthiban Radhakrishnan

About the Director

Parthiban Radhakrishnan was born on 15 November 1957 in Chennai, Tamilnadu, India. He is an actor and director, known for House Full (1999), Oththa Seruppu Size 7 (2019) and Iravin Nizhal (2022).



Director: Parthiban Radhakrishnan

Producer: Ranjith Dhandapani,

Keerthana Parthiepan, Anshu Prabhakar,

Pinchi Srinivasan, Bala Swaminathan,

Caldwell Velnambi

Scriptwriter: Parthiban Radhakrishnan

Cinematographer: Arthur Wilson

Editor: R. Sudharsan

Genre(s): Drama, Mystery, Thriller

Music: A.R. Rahman, Didi Trone

Cast: Parthiban Radhakrishnan, Brigida Saga,

Master Aarav

Festivals & Awards: I win

Irudhi pakkam | 2022 | Tamil | 95 min

India



Synopsis

A young woman gets murdered in her apartment. Police sees it as an open and shut case. But it turns out to be one of the most complex cases they ever witnessed. Can an ordinary investigation team pull off some magic to find the killer?



Mano Ve Kannathasa

About the Director

Mano Ve Kannathasan is known for Irudhi Pakkam (2021) and Broken (2017). He is a writer and director. He hails from Tamil Nadu. Director: Mano Ve Kannathasan

Producer: Kirubakar Jayaraman,

Silambarasan Perumal, Selvi Venkatachalam

Scriptwriter: Mano Ve Kannathasan

Cinematographer: Praveen Balu

Editor: Ram Pandian

Genre(s): Mystery

Music: M.S. Jones Rupert

Cast: Rajesh Balachandiran, ShreeRaj,

Amrutha Srinivasan

Kasada Thapara | 2021 Tamil | 137 min

India

Synopsis

The lives of a few individuals get impacted, both in good and bad ways, by the actions of others who are hardly connected to them.



Director: Chimbu Deven

Producer: Venkat Prabhu

Scriptwriter: Chimbu Deven

Cinematographer: Vijay Milton

Editor: Prayeen KL

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Santhosh Narayanan

Cast: Sundeep Kishan, Harish Kalyan,

Shanthnu Bhagyaraj

Festivals & Awards: -



About the Director

Born and educated in Madurai. At a very young age Chimbu excelled in drawing and paintings. During one of the state level competitions conducted by the famous Tamil weekly 'Andanda Vikatan' Chimbu won the top prize. He also has a diploma in Journalism.

Maamanithan | 2022 | Tamil | 122 min India

Radhakrishnan is a humble auto driver, who is sincere and extremely honest. He is content with his life which revolves around the auto, his wife Savithri and his 2 kids. His kids' study in a government school, and he wishes to improve their standard of education by admitting them into a private school.



About the Director

Seenu Ramasamy was born on 1 January 1974 in Tamilnadu, India. He is a director and writer, known for Kanne Kalaimaane (2019), Thenmerku Paruvakaatru (2010) and Maamanithan (2022). He is a director, writer and actor.



Director: Seenu Ramasamy

Producer: Yuvan Shankar Raja

Scriptwriter: Seenu Ramasamy

Cinematographer: Sugumar

Editor: Sreekar Prasad

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Ilaiyaraaja, Yuvan Shankar Raja

Cast: Gayathrie, Vijay Sethupathi,

Anikha Surendran

Natchathiram Nagargirathu 2022 | Tamil | 170 min India



Synopsis

Iniyan, Rene, Arjun and Madeleine are trying to find themselves and understand their deep-rooted prejudices in life.



About the Director

Pa.Ranjith is an exciting prospect in the new age of Tamil film directors. His debut film was a cult romantic comedy film Attakathi, which had positive reviews and his next film was Madras (2014), which showcased the life of North Madras people and their daily life. It was a blockbuster. Director: Pa. Ranjith

Producer: Pa. Ranjith

Scriptwriter: Pa. Ranjith

Cinematographer: Kishor Kumar

Editor: Selva Rk

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Tenma

Cast: Dushara Vijayan,

Kalaiarasan Harikrishnan, Kalidas Jayaram,

Kalaiyarasan

02 | 2022 | Tamil | 140 min India



Trapped in a landslide, Parvathy has to survive and keep the oxygen flowing into her son Veera's body. What happens when she gets obstructed by a passenger?



About the Director

G.S. Viknesh was born on September 21st 1992 in Chennai, Tamil Nadu. He previously worked as an AD with director Venkat Prabhu in Suriya's Masss and made his debut in 2022 as Writer and Director for the Nayanthara starer 'O2'.



Director: GS Viknesh

Producer: SR Prabhu

Scriptwriter: G.S. Viknesh

Cinematographer: Thamizh A Azhagan

Editor: Selva RK

Genre(s): Thriller

Music: Vishal Chandrashekar

Cast: Rithvik Jothi Raj, Nayanthara,

Barath Neelakantan

Yuddha Kaandam | 2022 Tamil | 90 min

India



Synopsis

Yuddha Kaandam is a Tamil crime -thriller which was shot in a single take and is recognized as first single shot commercial movie. It revolves a story happening around a police station in a night.



About the Director

Anantharajan is a Tamil film director. He has made 1 more movie before Yuddha Kaandam called Kichi Kichi. He hails from Tamil Nadu. Director: Anantharajan

Producer: Sriram Karthikeyan

Scriptwriter: Iniyan | Harris

Cinematographer: Iniyan J Harris

Editor: -

Genre(s): Action

Music: Hari Sai

Cast: Sreeram Karthik, Krisha Kurup, Yoge

Jappie, Suresh Chandra Menon, Bose Venkat





AEIOU

(Das schnelle Alphabet der Liebe) | German, French, English, Russian | 2022 | 105' | WC

Synopsis

She thought that would never happen to her again. He didn't even know there was such a thing. A lady, a boy and yet another impossible love story.



About the Director

Born and brought up in West Berlin. She studied classical dance at Berlin's Ballett Centrum and obtained her acting diploma at the Fritz Kirchhoff Drama School in 1992. She has appeared in front of the camera in cinema and TV productions since 1982. Germany, France



Director: Nicolette Krebitz

Producer: Janine Jackowski, Jonas Dornbach,

Maren Ade (Komplizen Film)

Scriptwriter: Nicolette Krebitz

Cinematographer: Reinhold Vorschneider

Editor: Bettina Böhler

Genre(s): Drama, Romance

Music: Martin Hossbach

Cast: Sophie Rois, Udo Kier, Milan Herms

Festivals & Awards:

Berlin International Film Festival

2022: Golden Bear nominee

3 other nominations

A Man | Aru otoko | 2022 | Japanese | 121 min

Japan



Synopsis

Akira works as a lawyer. One day, he meets with his former client Rie, who asks Akira to perform a background check on her late husband Daisuke.



About the Director

Born on June 20, 1977 in Toyohashi, Aichi, Japan. Kei is a director and producer, known for Listen to the Universe (2019), A Man (2022) and Gukoroku - Traces of Sin (2016). Director: Kei Ishikawa

Producer: Shuhei Akita, Hiroshi Ida, Naoya

Kinoshita, Yoshito Nakabe, Yohei Sadoshima,

Minori Tabuchi, Toshihiro Takahashi, Yusuke Tanaka

Scriptwriter: Keiichiro Hirano, Kôsuke Mukai

Cinematographer: Ryûto Kondô

Editor: Kei Ishikawa

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Mami Takaishi

Cast: Satoshi Tsumabuki, Sakura Andô,

Masataka Kubota

Festivals & Awards:

Venice Film Festival 2022

- I nomination

2 other nominations

A Minor | LA Minor | 2022 | Persian | 100 min

Iran

Synopsis

Nadi is interested in playing, but her father strongly opposes music, and this is where her problems begin.





Dariush Mehrjui

About the Director

Showed interest in painting miniatures, music and playing santoor and piano. He spent a lot of time going to the movies, particularly American films which were un-dubbed and interspliced with explanatory title cards that explained the plot throughout the films. The film that had the strongest impact on him as a child was Vittorio De Sica's Bicycle Thieves.

Director: Dariush Mehrjui

Producer: Reza Dormishian,

Iman Kiashemshaki

Scriptwriter: Dariush Mehrjui,

Vahidéa Mohammadi

Cinematographer: Bahram Badakshani

Editor: Hayedeh Safiyari

Genre(s): Drama, Music

Music: Kaveh Afagh

Cast: Pardis Ahmadieh, Ali Nassirian,

Siamak Ansari

A Radiant Girl | Une jeune fille qui va bien 2021 | French | 98 min

France



Synopsis

AkiraParis, summer 1942. Irene is Jewish and French. She is 19 and living a life of passions - Her friendships, her new love, her desire to be an actress - Nothing suggests that Irene's time is running out. works as a lawyer. One day, he meets with his former client Rie, who asks Akira to perform a background check on her late husband Daisuke.



Sandrine Kiberlain

About the Director

Born on 25 February 1968 in Boulogne-Billancourt, Hauts-de-Seine, France. She is an actress and director, known for Betty Fisher and Other Stories (2001), Mademoiselle Chambon (2009) and A Radiant Girl (2021). She was previously married to Vincent Lindon. Director: Sandrine Kiberlain

Producer: Olivier Delbosc, Pauline Duhault

Scriptwriter: Sandrine Kiberlain

Cinematographer: Guillaume Schiffman

Editor: François Gédigier

Genre(s): Drama, History

Music: Patrick Desremaux, Marc Marder

Cast: Rebecca Marder, André Marcon,

Anthony Bajon

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2021 - I nomination 2 wins & 2 other nominations

Afrika | Afrika | 2022 | Russian | 54 min Russia



Synopsis

1943 On the outskirts of besieged Leningrad, in a deserted village, three children and their mother, who is too weak to go to the forest in search of food, remain. One day, the sons set off on their own and find themselves faced with an unchildish choice - to save their family or the dog they find at the battlefield.



Daryo Binevskaya



Nadya Slavetskaya

About the Director

Darya Binevskaya: Darya Binevskaya is from Russia. She is known for Afrika (2022). She is a writer and director.

Nadya Slavetskaya: Nadya Slavetskaya is an actress, director and producer. She is from Russia. She is known for Afrika (2022) and Dyldy (2019).

Director: Darya Binevskaya, Nadya Slavetskaya

Producer: Elbor Chernov, Andrey Matveev

Scriptwriter: Darya Binevskaya

Cinematographer: Dmitriy Gorevoy

Editor: -

Genre(s): Drama, Family, Romance, War

Music: Lina Gerts

Cast: Oleg Chugunov, Andrey Garkunov,

Ekaterina Guseva

Ann | Ann | 2022 | English | 90 min Ireland



On January 31, 1984, Ann awakens to realize that she was going to have this baby. Having left the house early, Ann scurries around to find somewhere to hide, lost and frightened.



About the Director

An award winning screenwriter and director from Dublin, Ireland who works in film and TV. As a screenwriter his works include the independent feature film "Parked" and as a screenwriter/director include two short films "The Picnic" and the "The Note" and the 2017 feature "In View", "In View", "Parked" and "The Note" have won many awards in the festival circuit.

Director: Ciaran Creagh

Producer: Ciaran Creagh, Ferdia Doherty,

Niall Flynn

Scriptwriter: Ciaran Creagh

Cinematographer: David Grennan

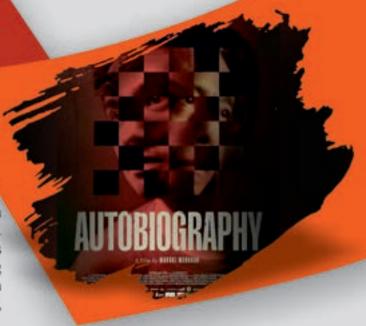
Editor: Tony Cranstoun

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Roger Taylor

Cast: Ian Beattie, Eileen Walsh, Zara Devlin

Autobiography | Autobiography | 2022 | Indonesian | 116 min Indonesia, Poland, Germany, Singapore, France, Philippines



Synopsis

A young man working as a housekeeper in an empty mansion. When its owner returns to start his mayoral election campaign, the young man bonds with him and defends him when his campaign is vandalized, setting off a chain of violence.



Makbul Mubarak

About the Director

Born on 27 February 1990 in Tolitoli, Sulawesi Tengah, Indonesia. Makbul is a director and writer, known for Autobiography (2022), The Malediction (2016) and The Plague (2016). Director: Makbul Mubarak

Producer: Yulia Evina Bhara, Ganesya, Amerta

Kusuma, Sigit Pratama, Arya Sweta

Scriptwriter: Makbul Mubarak

Cinematographer: Wojciech Staron

Editor: Carlo Francisco Manatad

Genre(s): Drama, Thriller

Music: Bani Haykal

Cast: Kevin Ardilova, Yusuf Mahardika, Arswendy

Bening Swara

Festivals & Awards:

Venice Film Festival 2022: I win

& I nomination

6 wins & 12 nominations

Balaban | Balaban 2022 | Russian | 101 min Kazakhstan, United Kingdom, Russia, United States, Belarus



Stealing a prized falcon to help fund their dream of moving to Paris, two Kazakh teenagers come of age as they embark on a journey of liberation.



About the Director

Born 14 March 1976, she is a film and stage director, producer and screenwriter living and working in the United Kingdom. In 2008, became a partner of production company AIM Entertainment in Mosfilm Studio in Moscow, where she produced video content for advertising campaigns, corporate documentaries, fashion and music videos. Director: Aysulu Onaran

Producer: Adilet Yessimov

Scriptwriter: Aysulu Onaran, Sam Roffey Cinematographer: Nursultan Bazarbay

Editor: Brin Dood

Genre(s): Drama,

Music: Reeve Carney, Dominic Shovelton

Cast: Kamila Fun-So, Irina Gylko, Chingiz Kapin



Beautiful Beings | Berdreymi 2022 | Icelandic | 123 min

Iceland, Denmark, Sweden, Netherlands, Czech Republic



Synopsis

Balli, 14, is an outsider. But then he meets three boys of his own age. A coming-of-age drama which finds poetic images for a tentative, emergent friendship that threatens to falter due to gender-normed codes of conduct, and violence.



Guðmundur Amar Guðmundsson

About the Director

Graduated from the Icelandic Arts Academy in Fine art. After graduation, he studied screenwriting in Denmark. His short films and feature debut have been selected for more than 200 festivals and won over 70 international awards, including accolades from the Cannes Film Festival, Venice Film Festival, European Film Awards, and a nomination for the Nordic Council Film Prize. He developed and wrote his feature film Heartstone during a Cannes Cinefondation Residency. Contact: natalia@neweuropefilmsales.com

Director: Guðmundur Arnar Guðmundsson

Producer: Anton Máni Svansson

Scriptwriter: Guðmundur Arnar Guðmundsson

Cinematographer: Sturla Brandth Grøvlen

Editor: Andri Steinn Guðjónsson, Anders Skov

Genre(s): Drama,

Music: Kristian Eidnes Andersen

Cast: Birgir Dagur Bjarkason, Áskell Einar

Pálmason, Viktor Benóný Benediktsson

Festivals & Awards:

Iceland's entry to Oscars 2023

Berlin International Film Festival 202

- 1 win & 2 nominations

7 other wins & 11 other nominations

Before Now and Then | Nana | 2022 | Indonesian | 103 min

Indonesia



Synopsis

A woman finds refuge in a second marriage to a wealthy man, but her existence remains fragile as she navigates his patriarchal values and penchant for taking mistresses. Then, she befriends her second husband's mistress, together seeking for the meaning of freedom.



Kamila Andini

About the Director

Born on May 6, 1986 in Jakarta, Indonesia. She is a director and writer, known for The Mirror Never Lies (2011), The Seen and Unseen (2017) and Yuni (2021). She has 24 wins and 50 nominations to her name till date. Director: Kamila Andini

Producer: Suma Adiwinata, Gita Fara

Scriptwriter: Kamila Andini, Ahda Imran

Cinematographer: Batara Goempar

Editor: Ahmad Fesdi Anggoro

Genre(s): Drama, History

Music: Ricky Lionardi

Cast: Happy Salma, Laura Basuki, Arswendy

Bening Swara

Festivals & Awards:

Berlin International Film Festival 2022

- 1 win & 1 nomination

7 other wins & 18 other nominations

Between Us | Entre Nous | 2016 | French | 100 min

France

Synopsis

Henry and Dianne fear that settling down means giving up on their dreams. It will take the universe conspiring to keep them apart for them to realize just how much they need each other.



Jude Bauman

About the Director

Jude Bauman is a writer and director. Jude is known for Fragments (2019), In-Sect (2016) and Between Us (2021). Director: Jude Bauman

Producer: Carlos Bedran

Scriptwriter : Jude Bauman

Cinematographer: Jude Bauman

Amandine NOWORYTA - Irie JODGET Jest France STEWENIN - William

Editor: Marie-Pierre Renaud

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Remi Stengel

Cast: Iris Jodorowsky, William Mesguich,

Amandine Noworyta

Beyond the Wall | Shab, Dakheli, Divar| 2022 | Persian 126 min

BEYOND

Iran

Synopsis

The life of a blind man starts to fall apart when a wandering woman enters his life.



About the Director

Born in Tehran in 1976. He is a graduate of Tehran University in Theater Directing. Started his career as a theater actor and made his stage debut when he was only 15. Wednesday, May 9 his first feature was awarded FIPRESCI Prize and the INTERFILM Award for Promoting Interreligious Dialogue in Orizzonti Competition of Venice 2015.

Director: Vahid Jalilvand

Producer: Vahid Jalilvand

Scriptwriter: Vahid Jalilvand

Cinematographer: Adib Sobhani

Editor: Vahid Jalilvand

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Olafur Arnalds, Mohammadreza Shajarian

Cast: Navid Mohammadzadeh, Diana Habibi,

Amir Aghaee

Festivals & Awards:

Venice Film Festival 2022 - Golden Lion, nominee

2 other nominations

Blast | Déflagrations | 2021 | French 90 min

Synopsis

A female bomb disposal expert gets trapped in her car with two children and an anti-tank mine planted under the vehicle. She and her boyfriend will only have one chance to defuse the bomb and 30 minutes to do so.



Vanya Peirani-Vignes

About the Director

Vanya Peirani-Vignes is a writer and director. She is known for Blast (2021), The Cab-Ride (2012) and Décrocher un rôle (2007). She has 3 wins and 5 nominations to her name till date.

France



Director: Vanya Peirani-Vignes

Producer: Loic Magneron

Scriptwriter: Vanya Peirani-Vignes, Pablo Barbetti

Cinematographer: Thierry Arbogast

Editor: Joël Jacovella

Genre(s): Drama, Mystery, Thriller

Music: Davy Bernagoult, Yoann Bernagoult

Cast: Nora Arnezeder, Pierre Kiwitt, Radivoje Bukvic

Festivals & Awards:

3 wins & 1 nomination

Broker | Beurokeo | 2022 | Korean | 129 min

South Korea



Synopsis

A baby box is a small space, where parents can leave behind their babies anonymously. Sang Hyun finds new parents for a baby left in a baby box and makes a special deal with them. He calls himself a broker of good will. Sang Hyun works with Dong Soo in this endeavour. They get involved with So Young, who placed her baby in the baby box, but has now come back for her baby.



Hirokazu Koreeda

About the Director

Born in Tokyo in 1962. Originally intended to be a novelist, but after graduating from Waseda University in 1987 went on to become an assistant director at T.V. Man Union. The main themes of his ocuvre include memory, loss, death and the intersection of documentary and fictive merratives.

Director: Hirokazu Koreeda

Producer: Eugene Lee

Scriptwriter: Hirokazu Koreeda

Cinematographer: Hong Kyung-pyo

Editor: Hirokazu Koreeda

Genre(s): Drama Music: Jung Jae-il

Cast: Song Kang-ho, Dong-won Gang,

Bae Doona

Festivals & Awards: Cannes Film Festival 2022

2 wins & 1 nomination 6 other wins
 and 9 other nominations

Brother & Sister | Frère et soeur | 2021 | French, Hebrew | 108 min

Synopsis

The story revolves around a brother and sister who are nearing their fifties - Alice is an actress, Louis was a teacher and a poet. They no longer speak to one another and have been avoiding each other for over twenty years, but the death of their parents will force them to cross paths.



Arnoud Desplechin

About the Director

Arnaud Desplechin he is a director, cinematographer and writer. Born on October 31, 1960 in Roubaix, Nord, France. He is a director and writer, known for Kings & Queen (2004), The Sentinel (1992) and Esther Kahn (2000).

France



Director: Arnaud Desplechin

Producer: Pascal Caucheteux

Scriptwriter: Arnaud Desplechin, Julie Peyr

Cinematographer: Irina Lubtchansky

Editor: Laurence Briaud

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Grégoire Hetzel

Cast: Marion Cotillard, Melvil Poupaud,

Golshifteh Farahani

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022

Palme d'Or nominee

I other nomination

COUNTRY (S)

Burning Days | Kurak Günler | 2022 | Turkish | 129 min Turkey, France, Germany, Netherlands, Greece, Croatia



Synopsis

Emre, a young and dedicated prosecutor, is newly appointed to a small town hit by a water crisis and political scandals. After an initial welcome, he experiences an increasing number of tense interactions and is reluctantly dragged into local politics. When Emre forms a bond with the owner of the local newspaper pressure escalates under heated rumours.



Emin Alper

About the Director

Born in 1974 in Ermenek, Karaman. Trained in economics and history at Bogazici University-Istanbul, Alper holds a PhD in Turkish Modern History. His first feature, BEYOND THE HILL (2012), received numerous awards including the Caligari Film Prize at Berlinale Forum and Best Film at Asia Pacific Awards. His second feature FRENZY (2015) premiered at 72nd Venice Film Festival's in Official Selection's competition and received Jury Special Prize.

Director: Emin Alber

Producer: Nadir Öperli, Kerem Çatay

Scriptwriter: Emin Alber

Cinematographer: Christos Karamanis (GSC)

Editor: Özcan Vardar, Eytan Deker

Genre(s): Drama, Music: Stefan Will

Cast: Ekin Koç, Selahattin Pasali, Hatice Aslan

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022 - 2 nominations

16 wins and 9 other nominations

Continental Drift - South | La dérive des continents (au sud) | 2022 | French, Italian, English, Bulgarian, German | 89 min

Synopsis

Nathalie Adler is on a mission for the EU in Sicily. She organizes the next visit of Macron and Merkel to a migrant camp, where their presence has a high symbolic value to show that everything is under control.



About the Director

Lionel Baier was born on December 13, 1976 in Lausanne, Switzerland. He is a producer and director, known for Vanity (2015), Stealth (2006) and Un autre homme (2008). He is a producer, director and writer.

Switzerland, France



Director: Lionel Baier

Producer: Pauline Gygax, Max Karli

Scriptwriter: Lionel Baier, Julien Bouissoux,

Pauline Gygax

Cinematographer: Josée Deshaies

Editor: Pauline Gaillard

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama

Music: Patrick Becker

Cast: Isabelle Carré, Théodore Pellerin, Ursina Lardi

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022

- I nomination

Diary of a Fleeting Affair | Chronique d'une liaison passagère | 2022 French | 100 min

France



Synopsis

A single mother and a married man enter into an affair with the understanding that their relationship is purely sexual. Though they agree the relationship has no future, they find themselves increasingly drawn into each other's company.



Emmanuel Mouret

About the Director

Emmanuel Mouret was born on June 30, 1970 in Marseille, Bouches -du-Rhône, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, France. He is a director and writer, known for The Things We Say, the Things We Do (2020), Lady J (2018) and The Art of Love (2011). Director: Emmanuel Mouret

Producer: Frédéric Niedermayer

Scriptwriter: Pierre Giraud, Emmanuel Mouret

Cinematographer: Laurent Desmet

Editor: Martial Salomon

Genre(s): Romance

Music: Romain Anklewicz

Cast: Sandrine Kiberlain, Vincent Macaigne,

Georgia Scalliet

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022 - I nomination

I other nomination

Father Pablo | Padre Pablo | 2021 Spanish | 103 min

Mexico



Synopsis

Manolo has decided to end his life and convinces his caretaker to help him. The caretaker agrees on the condition that Father Pablo hears her confession afterward, but Father Pablo decides to stay to prevent anything from taking place.



José Luis Isoard Arrubarrena

About the Director

José Luis Isoard Arrubarrena is a screenwriter and director from Mexico City. He studied Political Science at ITAM. He was a finalist on Guanajuato International Film Festival Screenplay Contest, participated on Guadalajara Talents, the Screenwriters Residency "Algo En Común", and the Labguión program, organized by Cinefilia.

Director : José Luis Isoard Arrubarrena

Producer: Gonzalo Romero

Scriptwriter: José Luis Isoard Arrubarrena

Cinematographer: Miguel Galo

Editor: José Luis Isoard Arrubarrena

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Lázaro Cristóbal Comala

Cast: Luisa Almaguer, Antón Araiza,

Juan Ignacio Aranda

Final Cut | Coupez! | 2022 French, Japanese | 112 min France, United Kingdom, Japan



Synopsis

A zombie comedy film directed by Michel Hazanavicius. It is a French remake of the 2017 Japanese film One Cut of the Dead. Things go badly for a small film crew shooting a low budget zombie movie when they are attacked by real zombies.



Michel Hazanavicius

About the Director

Michel Hazanavicius was born and raised in Paris, France. His grandparents were originally from Lithuania, but relocated to France in the 1920s. Hazanavicius attended art school, and moved on to work as a director for commercials and television projects. In 1999, he wrote and directed his first feature film Mes amis (1999), which featured his brother Serge Hazanavicius.

Director: Michel Hazanavicius

Producer: Alain de la Mata, Noémie Devide,

Brahim Chioua, Michel Hazanavicius,

Vincent Maraval, John Penotti

Scriptwriter: Michel Hazanavicius,

Shin'ichirô Ueda, Ryoichi Wada

Cinematographer: Jonathan Ricquebourg

Editor: Mickael Dumontier, Michel Hazanavicius

Genre(s): Comedy, Horror Music: Alexandre Desplat

Cast: Romain Duris, Bérénice Bejo,

Grégory Gadebois

Festivals & Awards:

I nomination

Fishbone | Ribena Kost | 2021 Bulgarian | 106 min Bulgaria, Romania

B K W H A T D

Synopsis

Ivo, manager of a campsite on the shores of the Black Sea, refuses to bury corpse of yet another dolphin rejected by sea, because it has holes this time, as if it had been hit by bullets. All the vacationers and inhabitants of the surrounding area are involved in one way or another in an unprecedented war.



Dragomir Sholev

About the Director

Born on 21 July 1977 in Russe, Bulgaria. Graduated in 2007 from Bulgarian National Academy of Theatre and Film Arts in both Animation and Film directing. Director of over 450 commercial and music videos. His short film Before Life, After Death won Jameson short film award for best Bulgarian short film on 9 Sofia International Film Festival. His feature debut, "Shelter" (2010), co-written with Razvan Radulescu and Melissa de Raaf, had its WP in San Sebastian III (Zabaltegi New Directors), was selected to more than 70 film festivals around the world, received many awards.

Contact: festivals@alphaviolet.com

Director: Dragomir Sholev

Producer: Rossitsa Valkanova, Ada Solomon

Scriptwriter: Emanuela Dimitrova, Georgi Merdzhanov, Dragomir Sholev

Cinematographer: Nenad Boroevic

Editor: Catalin Cristutiu Genre(s): Drama, Fantasy

Music: -

Cast: Deyan Donkov, Georgi Naldzhiev,

Suzy Radichkova

Habib | Habib la Grande Aventure | 2019 French | 90 min Belgium, France, Switzerland,



Life of Habib a young Brussels actor from Moroccan immigration, who got a chance to play the lead role in a film on the life of Francis of Assisi.



Benoît Mariage

About the Director

Benoît Mariage was born on July 19, 1961 in Virton, Belgium. He is a director and writer, known for Les convoyeurs attendent (1999), The Missing Half (2003) and The Signalman (1997). He is a director, writer and actor. Director: Benoît Mariage

Producer: Michaël Goldberg, Christophe Mazodier, Jean-Louis Porchet, Boris Van Gils

Scriptwriter: Benoît Mariage

Cinematographer: Christophe Beaucarne

Editor: Sylvie Lager, Cyril Nakache

Genre(s): Comedy

Music: Frédéric Vercheval

Cast: Bastien Ughetto, Catherine Deneuve,

Sofia Lesaffre

Hard Shell, Soft Shell | Fragile | 2021 French | 100 min

France



Az works for an oyster farmer in Sète. He knows oysters by heart, he opens them by the hundreds. In one of them, Az decides to hide a ring, to ask his girlfriend Jess to marry him. She doesn't say yes.



Emma Benestan

About the Director

Emma Benestan is a French-Algerian director, screenwriter and editor. After graduating from La Fémis, she directed several short films: "Un monde sans bête" (Clermont Ferrand 2018), "Goût bacon"(70 festival selections and shortlisted for the French Academy Awards) and "Belle Gueule" (60 festival selections, winner of the CNC quality award).

Director: Emma Benestan

Producer: Caroline Nataf

Scriptwriter: Nour Ben Salem, Emma Benestan

Cinematographer: Aurélien Marra

Editor: Perrine Bekaert

Genre(s): Comedy, Romance

Music: Julie Roué

Cast: Yasin Houicha, Oulaya Amamra,

Raphaël Quenard

Festivals & Awards: 2 wins & 21 nominations

Harkis | Les Harkis | 2022 French | 82 min France, Belgium



Synopsis

Az works for an oyster farmer in Sète. He knows oysters by heart, he opens them by the hundreds. In one of them, Az decides to hide a ring, to ask his girlfriend Jess to marry him. She doesn't say yes.



Philippe Faucon

About the Director

Philippe Faucon was born on January 26, 1958 in Oujda, Morocco. He is a director and writer, known for Amin (2018), Fatima (2015) and Dans la vie (2007). He is a director, writer and producer. Director: Philippe Faucon

Producer: Yasmina Nini-Faucon

Scriptwriter: Samir Benyala, Philippe Faucon,

Yasmina Nini-Faucon

Cinematographer: -

Editor: -

Genre(s): Drama, History, Sci-Fi

Music: -

Cast: Théo Cholbi, Mohamed El Amine Mouffok,

Pierre Lottin

Festivals & Awards: I nomination

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1995 | Telugu | 107 min

United Kingdom, Germany



Synopsis

When a cop goes undercover to infiltrate a gang of hooligans, he finds himself being drawn to the other side.



About the Director

Kiran Kondamadugula made his directorial debut with the organic indie hit Gatham (2020). By directing/producing more than a dozen short films, I web series, and 2 commercials, Kiran accumulated a wealth of experience in various crafts. His major strength is the screenplay and Kiran enjoys telling stories in a non-linear fashion. He is a director and writer.

Director: Kiran Kondamadugula

Producer: Bhargava Poludasu,

Subhash Chakravarthy Ravada

Scriptwriter: Kiran Kondamadugula

Cinematographer: Horacio Martinez

Editor: Chota K. Prasad

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Sricharan Pakala

Cast: Rakesh Galebhe, Bhargava Poludasu,

Sneha Murali

Festivals & Awards:

12 wins & 4 nominations

Leila's Brothers | Baradaran-e Leila | 2022 | Persian | 165 min

Iran

Synopsis

At the age of 40, Leila has spent her entire life caring for her parents and four brothers. A family that is constantly arguing and under pressure from various debts in the face of sanctions against Iran. While her brothers are struggling to make ends meet, Leila makes a plan.



Saeed Roustayi

About the Director

Saeed Roustayi (born 14 August 1989) is an Iranian film director and screenwriter. He graduated from Soore University with a Bachelor of Film and Television in Directing. Life+1 Day is his first major cinematic work. At the Fajr International Film Festival, Roustayi won 2 Crystal Simorghs for hest directing and best screenplay.

Director: Saeed Roustayi

Producer: Javad Noruzbegi, Saeed Roustayi

Scriptwriter: Saeed Roustayi, Azad Jafarian

Cinematographer: Hooman Behmanesh

Editor: Bahram Dehghani

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Ramin Kousha

Cast: Taraneh Alidoosti, Saeed Poursamimi,

Navid Mohammadzadeh

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022: 1 win & 1 nomination

2 wins & 2 nominations

Leonor will Never Die | Ang Pagbabalik ng Kwago, lit | 2022 | Filipino, English | 101 min

Philippines



Synopsis

Fiction and reality blur when Leonor, a retired filmmaker, falls into a coma after a television lands on her head, compelling her to become the action hero of her unfinished screenplay.



Martika Ramirez Escobar

About the Director

Martika Ramirez Escobar is known for Leonor Will Never Die (2022), Pusong bato (2014) and Living Things (2020). She is a cinematographer and director. Director: Martika Ramirez Escobar

Producer: Mario Cornejo, Monster Jimenez

Scriptwriter: Martika Ramirez Escobar

Cinematographer: Carlos Mauricio

Editor: Lawrence Ang

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Alyana Cabral

Cast: Sheila Francisco, Bong Cabrera,

Rocky Salumbides

Festivals & Awards:

Sundance Film Festival 2022

- I win & I nomination

Toronto International Film Festivo 2022 - I win

2 wins & 10 nominations

Lord of the Ants | I signore delle formiche | 2022 | Italian 134 min

Italy



Synopsis

Italian poet, playwright and director Aldo Braibanti is jailed in 1968 under a law criminalizing grooming. The informant is his partner's father.



About the Director

Gianni Amelio was born on January 20, 1945 in Magisano, Calabria, Italy. He is a director and writer, known for The Stolen Children (1992), The Keys to the House (2004) and Open Doors (1990). He is a director and writer. He has 57 wins & 45 nominations to his name till date. Director: Gianni Amelio

Producer: Beppe Caschetto, Simone Gattoni

Scriptwriter: Gianni Amelio, Edoardo Petti,

Federico Fava

Cinematographer: Luan Amelio

Editor: Simona Paggi

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Alberto Bernardi

Cast: Luigi Lo Cascio, Elio Germano,

Sara Serraiocco

Festivals & Awards:

Venice Film Festival 2022

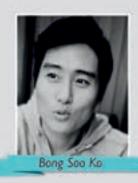
- 4 wins & 2 nominations

I other nomination

Loser's Adventure | | Loser's Adventure | | 2017 | Korean | 105 min

Synopsis

Daepoong High's wrestling team is in danger of disbanding due to lack of players. The coach tries to persuade the principal so that his two players can compete in tournaments. Only two



About the Director

Ko Bong-Soo is from South Korea. He is a cinematographer, writer and director. His first film was Delta Boys. This is his second movie as a director. South Korea



Director: Bong Soo Ko

Producer: Kim Joon-Jong, Lee Ho-Jung,

Kim Jung-Ki

Scriptwriter: Ko Bong-Soo

Cinematographer: Ko Bong-Soo

Editor: -

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama, Sport

Music: -

Cast: Kim Choong-Gil, Baek Seung-Hwan,

Shin Min-Jae

Loving Memories | I C'est mon homme | 2022 | French 87 min

France, Belgium

Synopsis

A wife recognizes her husband's photo as an amnesic drifter who went missing in action during the Great War in 1916. They reunited she helps him to fall in love with her again. Until another woman claims to be the man's real wife.



Guillaume Bureau

About the Director

After studies in linguistics, film, and television, Guillaume Bureau worked in theater as an actor and assistant director. In parallel, he made several short films, some self-produced and others with outside producers. They include MM, Last Interview (FID, IndieLisboa, Ecrans documentaires) and Sylvain Rivière (screened on French national TV channel 2 and in festivals). He also spent a long time as a script reader for MK2, France 2 Cinema and Canal +.

Contact: v.llobell@bacfilms.fr

Director: Guillaume Bureau

Producer: Caroline Bonmarchand

Scriptwriter: Guillaume Bureau with the

collaboration of Pierre Chosson and Robin Campillo

Cinematographer: Colin Lévêque

Editor: Nicolas Desmaison

Genre(s): Drama, Romance

Music: Romain Trouillet

Cast: Leila Bekhti, Louise Bourgoin, Karim Leklou

Festivals & Awards: 2 wins

Lucky Chan-Sil | Chansilineun bokdo manhji | 2019 | Korean | 96 min

South Korea



Synopsis

Chan-sil, a film producer, finds herself unemployed with the sudden death of her long-time collaborated director. Out of prospects and out of luck, she moves into a bargain room in a shoddy neighborhood. But something doesn't seem quite right with her new elderly landlady.



About the Director

Cho-hee Kim is known for Lucky Chan-sil (2019), Hahaha (2010) and Gyeoul-ui pianiseuteu (2012). He is a producer, writer and director from South Korea. Director: Cho-hee Kim

Producer: Suh Dong Hyun, Sung-eun Kim

Scriptwriter: Cho-hee Kim

Cinematographer: Sang-bin Ji

Editor: Yeon-ji Son

Genre(s): Drama, Fantasy, Romance

Music: Jung-Yeop Jeong

Cast: Mal-Geum Kang, Youn Yuh-jung,

Kim Young-min

Festivals & Awards:

Busan International Film Festival 2019 - 2 wins
14 other wins & 19 nominations

Mediterranean Fever | Mediterranean Fever | 2022 | Arabic | 108 min Palestine, Germany, France, Cyprus, Qatar



Synopsis

Waleed dreams of a writing career while suffering from depression. He develops a relationship with his neighbor - a small-time crook. While the scheme turns into an unexpected friendship, it leads them into a journey of dark encounters.



About the Director

Maha Haj was born in 1970 in Nazareth, Israel. She is a director and writer, known for Personal Affairs (2016), Mediterranean Fever (2022) and Burtuqal (2009). She is a writer and director. She has 5 wins and 11 nominations to her name till today.

Director: Maha Haj

Producer: Baher Agbariya, Martin Hampel,

Thanassis Karathanos, Juliette Lepoutre,

Pierre Menahem, Marios Piperides, Janine Teerling

Scriptwriter: Maha Haj

Cinematographer: Antoine Héberlé

Editor: Véronique Lange

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Munder Odeh

Cast: Amer Hlehel, Ashraf Farah, Anat Hadid

Festivals & Awards:

Palestine's entry to Oscars 2023

Cannes Film Festival 2022

- I win & I nomination

I other win & 6 other nominations

Melchior the Apothecary | Apteeker Melchior | 2022 | Estonian | 98 min

Estonia



Synopsis

In medieval Tallinn a famous knight is murdered. Melchior the Apothecary is ordered to investigate the crime. The clever young man discovers that the murdered knight was looking for a mysterious "Prisoner of Tallinn" and clues lead to the Dominican monastery. A terrible series of crimes is unleashed. Anyone who comes into contact with this secret is in danger.



Elmo Nüganen

About the Director

An Estonian film and theatre director and actor. From1992-2021, he was the artistic director of Tallinn City Theatre. His debut as a film director and screenwriter Director: Elmo Nüganen

Producer: Veiko Esken, Armin Karu, Esko Rips,

Kristian Taska, Tanel Tatter

Scriptwriter: Indrek Hargla, Olle Mirme,

Elmo Nüganen

Cinematographer: Mihkel Soe

Editor: Marion Koppel

Genre(s): Crime, History, Thriller

Music: Liina Sumera

Cast: Märten Metsaviir, Alo Kõrve,

Maarja Johanna Mägi

Festivals & Awards: 2 wins

was Names in Marble in 2002 which held the number 1 title of admissions among Estonian films until 2016. Nüganen's filmography also includes Mindless (2006) and 1343 (2015). The latter became the country's submission for the Academy Awards in 2015. With the Melchior the Apothecary trilogy, Nüganen continues his theme of historic tilms, based on best-selling and internationally acclaimed novels written by Indrek Hargla.

Metronom | Metronom | 2022 | Romanian | 93 min

Romania, France



Synopsis

Romania, the autumn of the year 1972. Ana, a 17 year-old teenager, finds out that her boyfriend will flee the country for good in a few days. The two lovers decide to spend their last days together.



Alexandru Belc

About the Director

Alexandru Belc was born on July 26, 1980 in Brasov, Romania. Alexandru is a director and writer, known for Metronom (2022), Cinema, mon amour (2015) and 8th of March (2012). He is a director, writer and cinematographer. He is from Romania. Director: Alexandru Belc

Producer: Viorel Chesaru, Cătălin Mitulescu,

Emmanuel Quillet, Ruxandra Slotea,

Martine Vidalenc

Scriptwriter: Alexandru Belc

Cinematographer: Tudor Vladimir Panduru

Editor: Patricia Chelaru

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Julien Blasco

Cast: Mara Bugarin, Serban Lazarovici, Vlad Ivanov

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022

- I win & I nomination

2 other wins &

6 other nominations

Mi lubita Mon Amour | Mi lubita Mon Amour | 2021 | French, Romanian, Romany | 95 min

Synopsis

Jeanne is going to celebrate her bachelorette party in Romania, where she meets Nino, which begins a passionate and timeless summer.



France



Noémie Merlant

About the Director

Noémie Merlant was born on November 27, 1988 in Paris, France. She is an actress and director, known for Portrait of a Lady on Fire (2019), Mi iubita, mon amour (2021) and Paper Flags (2018). She has 5 wins and 20 nominations to her name till date. Director: Noémie Merlant

Producer: Pierre Guyard, Noémie Merlant

Scriptwriter: Gimi Covaci, Noémie Merlant

Cinematographer: Evgenia Alexandrova

Editor: Sanabel Chergaoui

Genre(s): Drama Music: Saycet

Cast: Gimi Covaci, Noémie Merlant, Sanda Codreanu

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2021 - 1 win & 1 nomination
San Sebastián International Film Festival 2021

- I nomination

3 other nominations

Move the Grave I ljang | 2019 | Korean | 98 min

South Korea

Synopsis

Jeanne is going to celebrate her bachelorette party in Romania, where she meets Nino, which begins a passionate and timeless summer.



About the Director

Seung-O Jeong was born in 1986, Incheon, South Korea. He has directed 5 shorts which include Birds Fly Back to the Nest (2016). Move the grave is his first feature film.



Director: Seung-O Jeong

Producer: Park lieun

Scriptwriter: Seung-O Jeong

Cinematographer: Noh Sinung

Editor: Seung-O Jeong

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama, Family

Music: -

Cast: Ri-woo Jang, Seon-hee Lee, Geum Sun-Ah Yoon

Festivals & Awards: 7 wins & 9 nominations

My Girlfriend is the Revolution | Mi novia es la revolución | 2021 | Spanish | 104 min

Mexico



Synopsis

Mexico, 1994. Sofia is about to turn 15, but she doesn't want her quinceañera. She has just moved in after her parents' separation and spends her days in the boring company of her younger sister. The monotony disappears when Sofia meets Eva, a girl with a rebellious attitude with whom she will disco



Marcelino Islas Hernández

About the Director

He is from Mexico. He is a producer, writer and editor. He is known for Martha (2010), History Lessons (2018) and Charity (2016). He has 1 win and 4 nominations to his credit till date. Director: Marcelino Islas Hernández

Producer: Aida Herrerias, Marcelino Islas Hernández, Daniela Leyva Becerra Acosta,

Andrea Toca

Scriptwriter: Marcelino Islas Hernández,

Gabriela Vidal (I), Gabriela Vidal (II)

Cinematographer: Rodrigo Sandoval

Editor: Eduardo Palenque

Genre(s): Romance

Music: Fernando Heftye

Cast: Ana Valeria Becerril,

Edwarda Gurrola, Sofia Islas

Festivals & Awards:

My Imaginary Country | Mi país imaginario | 2022 | Spanish | 83 min

Chile, France



Synopsis

Protests that exploded onto the streets of Chile's capital of Santiago in 2019 as the population demanded more democracy and social equality around education, healthcare and job opportunities.



Patricio Guzmán

About the Director

Patricio Guzmán was born on August 11, 1941 in Santiago, Chile. He is a director and writer, known for Nostalgia for the Light (2010), The Southern Cross (1991) and The Battle of Chile: Part I (1975). He has 33 wins & 38 nominations to his name till date. Director: Patricio Guzmán

Producer: -

Scriptwriter: Patricio Guzmán

Cinematographer: -

Editor: -

Genre(s): Documentary

Music: -

Cast: Youssef Suleiman Mohammed

Festivals & Awards: -

Natural Lefty | Mancino naturale | 2021 | Italian | 106 min

Italy, France



Synopsis

A widowed mother, tries desperately to get an entry into the ruthless world of professional football for her 12-yer -old son.



Salvatore Allocca

About the Director

Salvatore is a director, producer and screenplay writer from Rome. He graduated in "Literature and Cinema" in 2005. In 2006 his first short film "Crakers" won the "CinemAvvenire" Award at Rome Film Festival. In 2011 in Italy it was released his first theatrical movie as a Director, "How to find the right way the wrong man", distributed by 20th Century FOX.

Director: Salvatore Allocca

Producer: Daniele Esposito, Stella Savino

Scriptwriter: Emiliano Corapi,

Massimo De Angelis, Salvatore Allocca

Cinematographer: Francesco di Pierro

Editor: Lorenzo Peluso

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama

Music: Francesco Cerasi

Cast: Claudia Gerini, Alessio Perinelli,

Francesco Colella

Festivals & Awards:

1 nomination

Neon Spring | Neon Spring | 2022 | Latvian | 102 min

Latvia

Synopsis

As her family is falling apart, twenty-year-old Laine gets introduced to Riga's underground raves where she experiences love and slowly begins to lose connection with reality. A new coming-of-age story from Latvia, directed by Matiss Kaza, breathes some new life into a well-worn genre.



Matiss Kaza

About the Director

Matiss Kaza is a Latvian director, writer and producer. He holds a degree in Film & TV from NYU's Tisch School of the Arts. After working on several award-winning documentaries and an experimental theatre-film hybrid, he is set to debut with his first narrative feature Neon Spring in 2021.

Director: Matiss Kaza

Producer: Una Celma, Matiss Kaza,

Dace Siatkovska

Scriptwriter: Matiss Kaza, Marija Luize Melke

Cinematographer: Aleksandrs Grebnevs

Editor: Paula Popmane

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Toms Aunins

Cast: Marija Luize Melke, Greta Trusina,

Gerds Laposka

Festivals & Awards: -

No Prior Appointment | Bedoune Gharare Ghabli 2022 | Persian | 120 min

Iran



Synopsis

When Yasmin was six, the same age as her son, her family immigrated to Berlin. Now she has to come back to Iran due to her father's death. Her son is suffering from Autism and it makes it difficult for her to travel easily. Travelling to Iran Yasmin who hardly knows her father is astonished to find about the heritage left for her by her father.

Behrouz Shoaybi

About the Director

Born in 1979 in Mashhad, Behrooz Shoaibi has been active in different fields of cinema. As an actor, he started his career with Ebrahim Hatamikia's THE GLASS AGENCY (1998) and gained critical and public attention with Homayoun Asadian's GOLD & COPPER (2010). Director: Behrouz Shoaybi

Producer: Mahmoud Babaei Pour

Scriptwriter: Farhad Tohidi, Mehdi Torab Beigi

Cinematographer: Mohammad Hadadi

Editor: Ata Mehrad

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Masoud Sekhavat Doust

Cast: Pegah Ahangarani, Mostafa Zamani,

Saber Abar, Elham Korda

Festivals & Awards: -

His TV movies and series include: THE SLOE GARDEN (2005); WINGS OF HAPPINESS (2008); ABANDONED (2009); SOMEWHERE BETWIEN STAYING AND GOING (2010) and SECLUDED (2014) With his debut feature film, THE CORRIDOR, Shoaibi won the best first film award from Fajr 2013

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Paloma | Paloma | 2022 | Portuguese | 104 min Brazil, Portugal

Paloma



Synopsis

Paloma, a farm worker, wants a traditional wedding in a church with her boyfriend Zé. The local priest refuses her request. But Paloma, a transgender woman, will fight back for her dream.



Marcelo Gomes

Marcelo Gomes was born on October 28, 1963 in Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil. He is a writer and director, known for Movies, Aspirin and Vultures (2005), I Travel Because I Have to, I Come Back Because I Love You (2009) and Waiting for the Carnival (2019). He has 44 wins and 27 nominations to his credit till today.

Director: Marcelo Gomes

Producer: Nara Aragão, João Vieira Jr.

Scriptwriter: Gustavo Campos, Marcelo Gomes,

Armando Praça

Cinematographer: Pierre de Kerchove

Editor: Rita M. Pestana

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Joana Niza Braga

Cast: Patricia Dawson, Samya De Lavor,

Márcio Flecher

Festivals & Awards: One of the six films

pre-selected by the Brazilian Academy of Cinema

and Audiovisual Arts to compete for a spot for

Best International Film at the 2023 Oscars.

3 wins & 4 nominations

Parsley | Parsley | 2022 | Spanish | 85 min **Dominican Republic**



Forsaken in the Dominican wilderness, an expectant Haitian mother desperately seeks shelter during the Parsley Massacre of 1937. A pregnant woman, left alone in the wilderness near the Dominican border, tries to escape the massacre of Haitians in 1937.



José Maria Cabral

About the Director

José María Cabral (born July 24, 1988) is a Dominican film director, screenwriter, and producer. Cabral started making films when he was 16 years old, making private screenings of short films to family and friends in local movie theaters, one of them "Excexos" got national distribution in 2008.

Director : José Maria Cabral

Producer: Rafael Elias Munoz

Scriptwriter: Arturo Arango, José Maria Cabral,

Nurielis Duarte

Cinematographer: Hernan Herrera

Editor: Ignacio Rodriguez Garcia

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Jorge Magaz

Cast: Cyndie Lundy, Ramón Emilio Candelario,

Vladimir Acevedo

Festivals & Awards:

6 wins & 3 nominations

Pierrot the Fool I Pierrot le Fou I 1965 | French, English, Italian | 112 min

France, Italy



Synopsis

Ferdinand, an unhappily married, unemployed man, leaves his wife and children and runs away with his ex-lover Marianne, a weapons smuggler, in search of adventure.



Jean-Luc Godard

About the Director

Jean-Luc Godard was born in Paris on December 3, 1930, the second of four children in a bourgeois Franco-Swiss family. His father was a doctor who owned a private clinic, and his mother came from a preeminent family of Swiss bankers. During World War II Godard became a naturalized citizen of Switzerland and attended school in Nyons.

Director: Jean-Luc Godard

Producer: Georges de Beauregard,

Dino De Laurentiis

Scriptwriter: Rémo Forlani, Jean-Luc Godard,

Lionel White

Cinematographer: Raoul Coutard

Editor: Françoise Collin

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Antoine Duhamel

Cast: Jean-Paul Belmondo, Anna Karina,

Graziella Galvani

Festivals & Awards:

Nominated for I BAFTA Award

Venice Film Festival 1965 1 normalion

2 wins & I other nomination

Queens | Malikates | 2022 | Moroccan | 85 min France, Belgium, Netherlands, Morocco



Synopsis

27-year-old ZINEB is a repeat offender behind bars. When she learns that her wild and fanciful nine-year- old daughter, INÈS, has been expelled from school and sent to a children's home, she escapes from prison, kidnaps her daughter, and heads south.



Yasmine Benkiran

About the Director

Yasmine Benkiran is known for Queens (2022) and L'heure d'hiver (2018). She is a director and writer. She has I nomination to her name till today.

Director: Yasmine Benkiran

Producer: Jean DES FORÊTS, Hanneke NIENS,

Said HAMICH, Géraldine SPRIMONT

Scriptwriter: Yasmine Benkiran

Cinematographer: Pierre Aim

Editor: Julie Léna

Genre(s): Adventure

Music: Jozef Van Wissem

Cast: Nisrin Erradi, Nisrine Benchara,

Rayhan Guaran

Festivals & Awards:

I nomination

Romanticism of Emad & Touba | Romantism -e Emad va Tooba | 2019 | Persian | 100 min

Synopsis

When fate first confronted Emad and Tuba, they both knew that love was more of a skill than excitement and heartbeat and itchy skin.





About the Director

Born in 1980, Kaveh Sabaghzadeh is son of the well-known Iranian film director, Mehdi Sabaghzadeh. Active as assistant director, production manager and photographer since 1998, he made his debut feature, ITALY, in 2017. EMAD AND TUBA'S ROMANTICISM is his second feature film.

Director: Kaveh Sabbaghzade Producer: Mehdi Sabaghzadeh Scriptwriter: Kaveh Sabaghzadeh

Cinematographer: Shahram Najarian

Editor: Pegah Ahmadi

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Payam Azadi

Cast: Hesam Mahmoudi, Elnaz Habibi, Ali Ansarian

Festivals & Awards:

I nomination

Safe Place I Sigurno mjesto | 2022 | Croatian | 102 min



Synopsis

Follows Damir, who's trying to take his own life while his family wants to save him. Everything happens over a period of just 24 hours.



Juraj Lerotić

About the Director

Juraj Lerotic is known for Safe Place (2022), Then I See Tanja (2010) and 12 (2004). He is a writer, director and actor. He is from Croatia. He has 9 wins and 4 nominations to his credit till date.

Director: Juraj Lerotić

Producer: Miljenka Čogelja Scriptwriter : Juraj Lerotic

Cinematographer: Marko Brdar

Editor: Marko Ferković

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Julij Zornik

Cast: Juraj Lerotic, Goran Markovic,

Snjezana Sinovcic

Festivals & Awards: Locarno International Film

Festival 2022 - 3 wins & 1 nomination

Sarajevo Film Festival 2022 - 2 wins

2 other wins & 3 other nominations

Semret | Semret | 2022 | Italian, Swiss, German, Tigrigna | 85 min

Eritrea, Switzerland



Semret a single mom works at a local Zurich hospital, she does everything to ensure a better life for her daughter Joe. When Semret was wrongfully accused at the hospital she stand up for her rights, so as not to lose everything she loves.



Caterina Mona

Caterina Mona is known for Persi (2015), Semret (2022) and Finding Camille (2017). She is a writer, director and editor. She has 1 nomination to her name till today.

Director: Caterina Mona

Producer: Michela Pini

Scriptwriter: Caterina Mona

Cinematographer: Gabriel Sandru

Editor: Noemi Katharina Preiswerk

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Marcel Vaid

Cast: Lula Mebrahtu, Tedros Teclebrhan,

Hermela Tekleab

Festivals & Awards: -

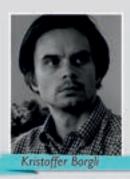
Sick of Myself| Syk pike| 2022 | Norwegian, Swedish|95 min

Norway



Synopsis

Increasingly overshadowed by her boyfriend's recent rise to fame as a contemporary artist creating sculptures from stolen furniture, Signe hatches a vicious plan to reclaim her rightfully deserved attention within the milieu



About the Director

Kristoffer Borgli was born in 1985 in Oslo, Norway. He is a director and writer, known for Sick of Myself (2022), Former Cult Member Hears Music for the First Time (2020) and Eer (2021). He is a director, writer and editor. Director: Kristoffer Borgli

Producer: Dyveke Bjørkly Graver, Mimmi Spång

Scriptwriter: Kristoffer Borgli

Cinematographer: Benjamin Loeb

Editor: Kristoffer Borgli

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama

Music: Gustaf Berger

Cast: Kristine Kujath Thorp, Eirik Sæther,

Fanny Vaager

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2022 - I nomination

2 wins & 4 other nominations

Somewhere over the Chemtrails | Kdyby radsi horelo | 2022 | Czech | 85 min

Czech Republic



Synopsis

When a villager is injured by a car at a party, firefighter Brona is immediately convinced that it is an attack perpetrated by an Arab. His colleague Standa sees things differently. A laconic film that explores the causes of racism.



About the Director

Adam Rybanský is known for Kdyby radsi horelo (2022), Home Sleep Home (2018) and Pratelské setkání nad sportem (2017). He is a director and writer. He is from Czech Republic.

Director: Adam Rybanský

Producer: Pavel Vácha, Eva Pavlíčková

Scriptwriter: Lukás Csicsely, Adam Rybanský

Cinematographer: Matej Pinos

Editor: Alan Sýs

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama

Music: -

Cast: Albert Cuba, Václav Hrzina, Michal Isteník

Festivals & Awards:

Berlin International Film Festival 2022

- 2 nominations

I wins & 3 other nominations

Tales of One More Day | Cuentos de un día más | 2021 | Spanish | 90 min

Cuba



Synopsis

In this story, almost devoid of dialogue, its director and screenwriter Alan González manages to tell more than one story: that of the girl Paloma and that of the relative who lived in the house, and he does so through the objects and the setting itself.

Abandoned home, which kept a room only for the breeding of birds, one of the spaces surrounded by stories and memories that "the girl with the birds" treasures.

Director: Fernando Pérez

Producer: Reymel Delgado, Inti Herrera

Scriptwriter: Laura Conyedo, Niuris Duarte,

Eduardo Eimil, Katherine Gavilan, Alán González,

Yoel Infante, Maria-Rosa Rodriguez, Amilcar Salatti,

Carolina Fernández Vega

Cinematographer: -

Editor: Abel Correa, Emmanuel Peña,

J.M. Quevedo González, Henry Ramírez Reyes

Genre(s): Drama

Music: - Cast: -

Festivals & Awards: -



Fernando Pérez

About the Director

Fernando Pérez is known for Life Is to Whistle (1998), Últimos días en La Habana (2016) and Madagascar (1995). He is a director, writer and actor.

Tchaikovsky's Wife | Zhena Chaikovskogo | 2022 | Russian, French, Italian | 143 min Russia, France, Switzerland



Synopsis

Tumultuous relationship between Pyotr Tchaikovsky, the most famous Russian composer of all time, and his wife Antonina Miliukova.



About the Director

Kirill Serebrennikov was born on 7 September 1969 in Rostov-na-Donu, Rostovskaya oblast, RSFSR, USSR [now Russia]. He is a director and writer, known for The Student (2016), LETO (2018) and Petrov's Flu (2021). He is a director, writer and actor. Director: Kirill Serebrennikov

Producer: Ilya Stewart

Scriptwriter: Kirill Serebrennikov

Cinematographer: Vladislav Opelyants

Editor: -

Genre(s): Drama, Biography

Music: -

Cast: Alyona Mikhailova, Odin Lund Biron,

Miron Fedorov

Festivals & Awards: The only Russian film

shown at Cannes Film Festival 2022

Cannes Film Festival 2022

- 2 nominations

I other nomination

Tenzin | Tenzin | 2021 | Tibetan, English | 74 min

Canada



Tumultuous relationship between Pyotr Tchaikovsky, the most famous Russian composer of all time, and his wife Antonina Miliukova.



Michael Leblanc,



Joshua Reichmann

About the Director

Michael LeBlanc(I): Originally from the East Coast of Canada, and now based in Toronto, Michael has shot films and music videos around the globe in North & South America, Europe, Africa, and more. Michael broke into the music video scene in 2007 as a highly regarded cinematographer, doing innovative work that early in his career allowed him the room to experiment with a wide range of cinematic styles and influences.

Director: Michael Leblanc, Joshua Reichmann

Producer: Brian Robertson, Laura Perlmutter,

Andrew Nicholas McCann Smith, Nick Sorbara

Scriptwriter: Tenzin Choekyi, Norbu Dhundup,

Tenzin Kelsang

Cinematographer: Michael LeBlanc

Editor: Michael LeBlanc

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Tenzin Kelsang, Tenzin Choekyi, Salden Kunga

Festivals & Awards: -

Joshua Reichmann: He is a producer, director and actor. He is from Cartala.

He is known for Tenzin (2021), Field Notes (2020) and The Bear (2008).

The Divide | La Fracture | 2021 | French | 99 min

France



Synopsis

Two women on the verge of a breakup, in a hospital, are further stressed on the night of a big demonstration by the overwhelmed staff and by angry, injured protestors who land up besieging the building.



Catherine Corsini

About the Director

Catherine Corsini was born on 18 May 1956 in Dreux, Eure-et-Loir, France. She is a director and writer, known for The Divide (2021), Summertime (2015) and Three Worlds (2012). She is a director, writer and actress. She is from France.

Director: Catherine Corsini

Producer: Elisabeth Perez

Scriptwriter: Catherine Corsini, Agnès Feuvre,

Laurette Polmanss

Cinematographer: Jeanne Lapoirie

Editor: Frédéric Baillehaiche

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Robin Coudert

Cast: Valeria Bruni Tedeschi, Marina Fois,

Pio Marmai

Festivals & Awards:

Cannes Film Festival 2021

- I win & I nomination

4 other wins & 9 other naminations

The Game | A játszma | 2022 | Hungarian | 102 min

Hungary



Synopsis

During the Cold War, the secret service of Kådår began a more dangerous state security game than ever before.



About the Director

Péter Fazakas was born on 6 October 1967 in Budapest, Hungary. He is a director and producer, known for Árulók (2017), 200 első randi (2018) and Mindjárt meghalok (2003). He is a director, producer and writer. Director: Péter Fazakas

Producer: Tamás Lajos

Scriptwriter: Norbert Köbli

Cinematographer: András Nagy

Editor: Zoltán Kovács

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Asher Goldschmidt

Cast: Gabi Fon, Gabriella Hámori, János Kulka

Festivals & Awards: I nomination

The Glass Room | Das Glaszimmer | 2020 | German | 93 min

Germany



Synopsis

Pre-teen, shy Bavarian village boy Felix hears his father died on the front in World War II, so he's left with his mother. Luckily he becomes buddies with Karri, the cocky son of local Nazi boss Ortsgruppenleiter Feik 's son Karri and thus the petty tyrant's protege as well as a "war hero's heir". Karri drags Felix along in attempts to prove their bravery, terrorize rustic and even hunt down a deserter and a crashed US pilot. Felix already 'lacked toughness', but the deserter's true identity shakes his world, just in time as the war is lost and the Allies approach.



Christian Lerch

Director: Christian Lerch

Producer: Robert Marciniak, Julia Rappold

Scriptwriter: Josef Einwanger, Christian Lerch

Cinematographer: Tim Kuhn

Editor: Valesca Peters Genre(s): Drama, War Music: Martin Probst

Cast: Xari Wimbauer, Lisa Wagner, Hans Löw

Festivals & Awards: -

About the Director

Christian Lerch was born on 6 March 1966 in Wasserburg am Inn, Bavaria, Germany. He is an actor and writer, known for Wer früher stirbt, ist länger tot (2006), Der Kaiser von Schexing (2008) and Café Meineid (1990). He is an actor, writer and director from Germany.

The Gravedigger's Wife I Guled & Nasra I 2020 [Somali] 82 min

France, Somalia, Finland, Germany, Qatar



Synopsis

In times of misfortune, Guled and his family have to push themselves to the limits in order to reunite with their family.



Khadar Ayderus Ahmed

About the Director

Khadar Ayderus Ahmed was born in 1981 in Mogadishu, the capital of Somalia, but lives far from his native country, in Finland. He began by making several successful short films, including 'The Night Thief' in 2017. Developed as part of Cinefondation, his first feature film 'The Gravedigger's Wife' comes to fruition in 2021.

Director: Khadar Ayderus Ahmed

Producer: Robin Boespflug Vonier, Martin Hampel,

Misha Jaari, Thanassis Karathanos, Mark Lwoff,

Risto Nikkilä, Stéphane Parthenay

Scriptwriter: Khadar Ayderus Ahmed

Cinematographer: Arttu Peltomaa

Editor: Sebastian Thümler

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Andre Matthias

Cast: Omar Abdi, Yasmin Warsame,

Kadar Abdoul-Aziz Ibrahim

Festivals & Awards: Somalia's entry to Oscars 2022

Cannes Film Festival 2021 - 2 naminations

Toronto International Film Festival 2021 - 1 win

21 other wins & 19 other appropriations

The Hotel | The Hotel | 2022 | Mandarin, Thai | 112 min

Hong Kong, Thailand



Synopsis

The first days of 2020's lockdown seem to drag forever for a group of tourists trapped in a Thai hotel. In strict confinement and as the big day of an unexpected event approaches, emotional entanglements, tensions and long kept secrets rise to the surface.



Xiaoshuai Wang

About the Director

One of the pioneers of Chinese independent film, the winner of French Culture and Art Knight Medal, internationally renowned Chinese film director. During these 20 years of filming, Wang directed 13 films. His works span different eras, yet consistently reflect a strong social conscience. His debut feature, THE DAYS (1993) was selected as "one of the best 100 films of all time" by the BBC in 1995, and collected by the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

Director: Xiaoshuai Wang

Producer: Zhang Yuan, Liu Xuan

Scriptwriter: Dai Ning, Fu Ye

Cinematographer: Suparawee Patravanich

Editor: Taria Marzbaan

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Tariq Marzbaan

Cast: Jun Dai, Xiaolei Huang, Zonghan Li

Festivals & Awards: -

The Mayor | El Mayor | 2020 | Spanish | 117 min

Cuba



Synopsis

Based on real events from midnineteenth century, the film shows incidents and anecdotes from the intense life of Cuban hero Ignacio Agramonte from childhood to death. He is remembered as a symbol of the struggle for independence, a legendary figure, an example of the courage of those who gave their lives in the redemptive battlefields.



Rigoberto López

About the Director

He was born on July 6, 1947 in Habana, Cuba. He is a director and writer, known for Scent of Oak (2004), From Son to Salsa (1996) and Forbidden Flights (2015). He passed away on January 23, 2019 in Cuba. He has 4 wins and 3 nominations to his name.

Director: Rigoberto López

Producer: Santiago Llapur

Scriptwriter: Eugenio Hernandez Espinosa,

Rigoberto López

Cinematographer: Ángel Alderete

Editor: -

Genre(s): War

Music: Silvio Rodríguez, José Maria Vitier

Cast: Carlos Busto, Michael Redford Carney,

Jonathan Kehoe

Festivals & Awards: -

The Man Who Sold His Skin | L'Homme qui a vendu sa peau | 2022 | Arabic, English, French, Flemish | 100 min France, Tunisia, Belgium, Germany, Sweden, Qatar, Cyprus



Synopsis

His own body turned into a living work of art and promptly exhibited in a museum, Sam, a Syrian refugee, will soon realize to have sold away more than just his skin.



Kaouther Ben Hania

About the Director

Studied cinema in Tunisia and then in Paris - Femis and la Sorbonne. Her film The Man Who Sold His Skin, premiered at the Venice Film Festival 2020, won the award for best actor and was nominated for the Oscar of Best International Feature at the 93rd Academy Awards. Her previous film Beauty and the Dogs, premiered at Cannes Film Festival official selection Un Certain Regard in 2017, won the Best Sound Creation Award and was distributed in many countries. Challat of Tunis, her first feature, opened the ACID section at Cannes Film Festival 2014 and was widely distributed.

Contact: culture@af-madras.org

Director: Kaouther Ben Hania

Producer: Nadim Cheikhrouha, Martin Hampel,

Thanassis Karathanos, Annabella Nezri,

Andreas Rocksén

Scriptwriter: Kaouther Ben Hania

Cinematographer: Christopher Aoun

Editor: Marie-Hélène Dozo

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Amin Bouhafa

Cast: Yahya Mahayni, Dea Liane, Koen De Bouw

Festivals & Awards: Tunisia's entry into Oscars

2020 (first film to be nominated from Tunisia)

Venice Film Festival 2020 - 2 wins & 1 nomination

7 other wins & 9 other nominations

The Night of the 12th | La nuit du 12 | 2022 | French | 115 min France



Synopsis

It is said that every investigator has a crime that haunts them, a case that hurts him more than the others, without him necessarily knowing why. For Yohan that case is the murder of Clara.



About the Director

Dominik Moll was born on 7 May 1962 in Bühl, Baden-Württemberg, Germany. He is a writer and director, known for Harry, He's Here to Help (2000), Only the Animals (2019) and The Tunnel (2013). He is a writer and director.

Director: Dominik Moll

Producer: Carole Scotta, Barbara Letellier,

Caroline Benjo

Scriptwriter: Pauline Guéna, Gilles Marchand,

Dominik Moll

Cinematographer: Patrick Ghiringhelli

Editor: Laurent Rouan

Genre(s): Crime, Drama, Mystery, Thriller

Music: Olivier Marguerit

Cast: Bastien Bouillon, Bouli Lanners, Théo Cholbi

Festivals & Awards: I nomination

The Taste of Apples is Red |Ta'am al Tufah, Ahmar 2022 | Arabic | 83 min Israel, Germany



Synopsis

In the Druze-mountain villages between Syria and Israel, Kamel, a respected sheik, must make an impossible decision between family and duty when his estranged brother returns to the Golan Heights after 47 years in exile.



About the Director

Ehab Tarabieh is known for Of Land and Bread (2019), Smile, and the World Will Smile Back (2014) and The Taste of Apples Is Red (2022). He is a director, writer and editor. Director: Ehab Tarabieh

Producer: Jonathan Doweck, Viola Fügen,

Sol Goodman

Scriptwriter: Sol Goodman, Ehab Tarabieh

Cinematographer: Yaniv Linton

Editor: Ori Derdikman

Genre(s): Drama, War

Music: Anne de Boysson

Cast: Ruba Blal, Soheil Hadad,

Shaden Kanboura

Festivals & Awards: 2 nominations

The Wait | Odotus | 2021 | Finnish | 101 min Finland



Synopsis

Updated version of a 19th century romance set on an island in the Finland archipelago sea.



Aku Louhimies

About the Director

An award-winning director and screenwriter. His highly acclaimed, commercially successful films have established him as one of the most preeminent directors of Scandinavian cinema today. Accomplished in both film and television, Louhimies' works have consistently garnered attention and praise, not least on the international film festival scene. Of his ten feature films, his latest works include the box-office record breaking Unknown Soldier (2017).

Director: Aku Louhimies

Producer: Andrei Alén, Kaarina Gould,

Aku Louhimies

Scriptwriter: Juhani Aho, Inka Kallén,

Aku Louhimies

Cinematographer: Johan Wasicki

Editor: Benjamin Mercer

Genre(s): Drama, Romance

Music: Esa-Pekka Salonen

Cast: Inka Kallén, Aku Hirviniemi, Andrei Alén

Festivals & Awards: -

Under the Fig Trees | Under the Fig Trees | 2021 | Arabic | 92 min Tunisia, France, Switzerland, Germany, Qatar,



Synopsis

Among the trees, young women and men working the summer harvest develop new feelings, flirt, try to understand each other, find and flee - deeper connections.



Erige Sehiri

About the Director

Erige Sehiri is known for Under the Fig Trees (2021), Railway Men (2018) and The Station Master (2020). Writer, director and producer. Director: Erige Sehiri

Producer: Palmyre Badinier, Didar Domehri,

Erige Sehiri

Scriptwriter: Peggy Hamann, Ghalya Lacroix,

Erige Sehiri

Cinematographer: Frida Marzouk

Editor: -

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Amin Bouhafa

Cast: Fedi Ben Achour, Firas Amri, Ameni Fdhili

Festivals & Awards:

I win & 4 nominations

Vanishing | Matin Calme | 2021 | French, Korean, English | 88 min

France, Korea (South)



Synopsis

Alice Launey, a French forensic expert still haunted by her past, comes to Seoul to present her work. She will meet Jin-Ho, a detective who asks for her help on a murder case. Drawn into network trafficking, she needs to face her fears.



Denis Dercourt

About the Director

Denis Dercourt was born on 1 October 1964 in Paris, France. He is a director and writer, known for Lise et André (2000), The Page Turner (2006) and Zum Geburtstag (2013). He is a director, writer and editor. Director: Denis Dercourt

Producer: Alexis Dantec, Yoon-Seok Nam

Scriptwriter: Peter May, Denis Dercourt,

Marion Doussot

Cinematographer: Axel Cosnefroy

Editor: Valentin Féron

Genre(s): Crime, Drama, Mystery

Music: Jérôme Lemonnier

Cast: Olga Kurylenko, Yoo Yeon-Seok, Ji-won Ye

Festivals & Awards: -

Victim | Obet | 2022 | Czech, Ukrainian, Russian | 91 min

Slovakia, Czech Republic, Germany



Synopsis

Irina lives with her son Igor in a small Czech border town. When she discovers that Igor has been assaulted by three Romas her whole world comes crashing down. As times goes on, Irina begins to spot inconsistencies in his story.



Michal Blaško

About the Director

Michal Blasko (1989, Bratislava) is a Slovak director and screenwriter. He studied film and television directing at the Academy of Performing Arts in Bratislava (VSMU). His short films were premiered at the most prestigious film festivals around the world (Cannes, San Sebastián, Karlovy Vary, Warsaw) and won several international awards.

Director: Michal Blaško

Producer: Pavla Kubeckova, Jakub Viktorin,

Saar Yogev

Scriptwriter: Jakub Medvecký

Cinematographer: Adam Mach

Editor: Petr Hasalik

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Elizaveta Maximová, Alena Mihulová,

Vita Smachelyuk

Festivals & Awards:

Venice Film Festival 2022

I nomination

2 wins & 1 other nomination

Wolka | Wolka | 2021 | Polish, Icelandic | 100 min Iceland, Poland



Synopsis

Anna gets released from a Polish prison on parole after fifteen years behind bars. Once free, Anna has but one goal - to find a woman whose name is Dorota.



Árni Ólafur Ásgeirsson

About the Director

Árni Ólafur Ásgeirsson was born on 16 April 1972 in Reykjavík, Iceland. He was a writer and director, known for Blóðbönd (2006), Brim (2010) and Annas dag (2003). He died on 26 April 2021. He is a director and writer. Director: Árni Ólafur Ásgeirsson

Producer: Stanislaw Dziedzic, Beggi Jonsson,

Hilmar Sigurðsson

Scriptwriter: Michal Godzic,

Árni Ólafur Ásgeirsson

Cinematographer: Marek Rajca

Editor: Mateusz Rybka

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Atli Örvarsson

Cast: Olga Boladz, Anna Moskal, Eryk Lubos

Festivals & Awards:

8 nominations

World War III | Jang-E Jahani Sevom | 2022 | Persian, Sign Languages, German | 117 min

Synopsis

After being cast in a movie, a day laborer has to secretly shelter his lover on the set or else risk losing her and all that movie stardom has promised him.



Houman Seyyedi

About the Director

Houman Seyyedi was born on 29 November 1980 in Rasht, Iran. He is an actor and writer, known for Sheeple (2018), Jang-e jahani sevom (2022) and 13 (2014). He is an actor, writer and director. Iran



Director: Houman Seyyedi

Producer: Houman Seyyedi

Scriptwriter: Houman Seyyedi,

Arian Vazirdaftari, Azad Jafarian

Cinematographer: Payman Shadmanfar

Editor: Houman Seyyedi

Genre(s): Adventure, Crime, Drama

Music: -

Cast: Mohsen Tanabandeh, Mahsa Hejazi,

Neda Jebraeili

Festivals & Awards:

Iran's entry to the Oscars 2023

Tokyo International Film Festival 2022

- 1 win & 1 nomination

Venice Film Festival 2022 - 1 win

Country Focus - Switzerland

- A Piece of Sky
- Last Dance
- Sami, Joe and I
- The Fam



COUNTRY FOCUS SWITZERLAND

A Piece of Sky | Drii Winter | 2022 Swiss German | 137 min

Switzerland, Germany

Synopsis

In a remote Alpine village isolated from the outside world, young love is put to the test. Anna comes from the village and has a daughter from an earlier relationship, while Marco is an outsider from the flatlands hired by the mountain farmers to work the rugged land.



Michael Koch

About the Director

A young Swiss actor who received his training at Actor's Academy at "Junges Theater Basel", in Switzerland. Some of his many theater credits include lead role in "Playboy of the Western World", featured at the Theaterspektakel in Zürich. He also played in "Die Schaukel", a theater play which won the 2001 Jury Prize and Audience Award at the Impulse Off-Theater Festival.

Director: Michael Koch

Producer: Christof Neracher

Scriptwriter: Nadja Dumouchel, Michael Koch

Cinematographer: Armin Dierolf

Editor: Florian Riegel

Genre(s): Drama, Romance

Music: Jannik Giger, Tobias Koch

Cast: Michèle Brand, Simon Wisler, Elin Zgraggen

Festivals & Awards:

Switzerland's entry to Oscars 2023

Berlin International Film Festival 2022-

I win & I nomination

Karlovy Vary International Film Festival 2021-

I win

3 other wins & 8 other nominations

COUNTRY FOCUS SWITZERLAND

Last Dance | Last Dance 2022 | French | 84 min

Synopsis

After his wife dies, a 75 year old retiree has to put up with the intrusion into his idle life of other family members.



Delphine Lehericey

About the Director

Delphine Lehericey is known for Beyond the Horizon (2019), Puppylove (2007) and Last Dance (2022). She is a director, writer and actor. Switzerland, Belgium



Director: Delphine Lehericey

Producer: Elena Tatti

Scriptwriter: Delphine Lehericey

Cinematographer: Hichame Alaouie

Editor: Nicolas Rumpl

Genre(s): Comedy

Music: Nicolas Rabaeus

Cast: François Berléand, Kacey Mottet Klein,

La Ribot

Festivals & Awards: I nomination

COUNTRY FOCUS SWITZERLAND

Sami, Joe and I | Sami, Joe und ich | 2020 |

Swiss German, Spanish, Serbo-Croatian, German, English, Chinese | 94 min

Synopsis

Sami, Joe and Leyla are ready. Ready for a truly epic summer after finishing school and ready to get out and grab their slice of life. But what is to come, is diametrically opposed to their expectations.



About the Director

Karin Heberlein is a writer and director, best known for Sami, Joe and I (2020). She was born and raised in Switzerland. Before becoming a director, she trained as an actress at Central School of Speech & Drama in London and acted in numerous theatre productions in the UK as well as touring internationally. Switzerland



Director: Karin Heberlein

Producer: Claudia Wick

Scriptwriter: Karin Heberlein

Cinematographer: Gabriel Lobos

Editor: Marion Tuor

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Kilian Spinnler

Cast: Astrit Alihajdaraj, Oscar Bingisser,

Karim Daoud

Festivals & Awards: 3 wins & 2 nominations

COUNTRY FOCUS SWITZERLAND

The Fam | La mif | 2021 | French | 121 min

Switzerland



Synopsis

A group of teenage girls have been placed in a residential care home with social workers. This forced "family" experience creates unexpected tensions and intimacies. An incident triggers a chain of over-reactions.



Fred Baillif

About the Director

Fred Baillif is a self-taught movie director and producer from Switzerland. He graduate from the Institute of Social Studies in Geneva in 2000. He first specialize in documentary since 2002, but in 2015 he directed his first fiction entitled "Tapis Rouge" (Red Carpet). Since then, he directed another fiction entitled "La Preuve Scientifique de l'Existence de Dieu" (The Scientific Proof of God's Existence).

Director: Fred Baillif

Producer: Agnès Boutruche, Véronique Vergari

Scriptwriter: Fred Baillif, Stéphane Mitchell

Cinematographer: Joseph Areddy

Editor: Fred Baillif

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Charlie Areddy, Kassia Da Costa,

Amandine Golay

Festivals & Awards:

Berlin International Film Festival 2021 - winner 13 other wins & 7 nominations

Indian Panorama

- Appan
- Bhotbhoti
- Cinema Vehicle
- Dhabari Quruvi
- Ekda Kaay Zala
- Hadinelentu
- Kadaisi Vivasayi
- Maalai Nera Malipoo

- Mahananda
- Pothanur Thabal Nilayam
- Pratikshya
- Saudi Vellakka CC.225/2009
- Soul of Silence
- Taya
- The Storyteller



Appan | Appan | 2022 | Malayalam | 129 min India

Synopsis

Itty who is standing in the wilderness of an evil culture and clinging to this attitude in spite of being bedridden for ages. Itty's son Njoonj, his family and the society wishes for his death.



About the Director

Maju is known for Appan (2022) and French Viplavam (2018). Maju is a writer and director from Kerala.



Director: Maju KB

Producer: Josekutty Madathil, Ranjith

Manambarakkat, Sunny Wayne

Scriptwriter: R. Jayakumar, Maju KB

Cinematographer: Vinod Illampally, Pappu

Editor: Kiran Das

Genre(s): Comedy, Crime, Drama

Music: Dawn Vincent

Cast: Pauly Valsan, Vijilesh Karayad,

Radhika Radhakrishnan

Festivals & Awards: -

Bhotbhoti | Bhotbhoti | 2022 | Bengali | 120 min

India

Synopsis

After losing his parents at a very tender age, Bhotbhoti was raised by his 'daadi' (grandmother) who too has passed away. Daadi was a great storyteller and Bhotbhoti's favourite story was the one about mermaids and their world that exists, or rather flourishes underwater.



Tathagata Mukherjee

About the Director

Tathagata Mukherjee studied at the Baranagore Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama High School and thereafter studied drama at Rabindra Bharati university. He has done professional theater since 2005, during his childhood. He did three years yatra with Chapal Bhaduri. He started his career as a film actor in Laal Ronger Duniya in (2007).

Director: Tathagata Mukherjee

Producer: Prateek Chakravorty, Soumya Sarkar

Scriptwriter: Tathagata Mukherjee Cinematographer: Pratip Mukherjee

Editor: -

Genre(s): Drama, Fantasy

Music: Mayookh Bhaumik

Cast: Rishav Basu, Bibriti Chatterjee,

Debolina Dutta

Festivals & Awards: -

Cinema Vehicle | Cinemabandi | 2021 | Telugu | 100 min

India



Synopsis

When a driver finds an expensive camera in the back seat of his rickshaw, he comes up with a ridiculously ambitious plan to gather the village and make a film



Praveen Kandregula

About the Director

Born and raised in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, Praveen developed an interest in filmmaking at a very young age. After his dad bought a video camera, Praveen started to experiment with the camera with his friends. Praveen made several short films that have been streamed on YouTube. Director: Praveen Kandregula

Producer: Raj Nidimoru and Krishna D.K.

Scriptwriter: Vasanth Maringanti, Krishna

Prathyusha, Praveen Kandregula

Cinematographer: Apoorva, Shaligram,

Sagar YVV

Editor: Dharmendra Kakarala, Ravi Teja Girijala

Genre(s): Comedy/Drama

Music: Satyavolu Sirish

Cast: Vikas Vasishta, Sandeep Varanasi

Rag Mayur, Uma YG, Sindhu Sreenivasa

Murthy, Trishara,

Sirivennela Yanamandhala

Festivals & Awards:

I win at IIFI Goa

- Indian Paparama section

Sparrow, It's Father is Unknown | Dhabari Quruvi | 2021 Irula | 104 min

India



Synopsis

This is the story of a naive tribal girl who rises from the ashes to proclaim the solitary right she has, on her body and decisions upon it. Mythologically, Dhabari Quruvi is a sparrow from a folklore tale whose father remains unknown. The plot of the movie evolves around background of the tribal rituals and culture.



Priyanandanan

About the Director

Priyanandanan is a National Award-Winning Director from Kerala. He hails from Vallachira, Thrissur District, Kerala State, India. He started acting in plays from school days. His performance in Kavalam Narayana Panicker's Kalanetheeni won the Best Actor award in over hundred venues. Director: Priyanandanan

Producer: Anila Sojan, Vinayaka Ajith

Scriptwriter: Priyanandanan, Kuppuswamy

M, Smitha Sailesh, KB Hari, Lijo Panadan

Cinematographer: Aswaghoshan

Editor: Ekalavyan

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Sunil Kumar PK

Cast: Meenakshi, Shyamini, Anuprasobhini,

Muruki, Gokri Gopalakrishnan

Festivals & Awards:

IFFI Goa (official selection),

IFFK (official selection),

URF World Records

Ekda Kaay Zala | Ekda Kaay Zala | 2021 Marathi | 138 min

India

Synopsis

"Ekda Kay Zala" is a phrase often used to start any story. The film is about a man who runs a school and believes that a story can convey any thought under the sky however big or small. He applies stories in teaching all subjects at school where his son also studies. When he comes across a difficult situation in his life and has to convey the news to his son, he resorts to his philosophy of using stories.



Dr. Saleel Shrinivas Kulkarni

About the Director

Dr. Saleel Kulkarni has composed music for 35 films, authored Marathi bestsellers 'Lapavalelya Kacha' and 'Shahanya Manasanchi Factory' and directed Wedding Cha Shinema (2019) and Ekda Kay Zala (2022). Director: Dr. Saleel Shrinivas Kulkarni

Producer: Gajavadana Showbox

Scriptwriter: Dr. Saleel Shrinivas Kulkarni

Cinematographer: Sandeep Yadav

Editor: Abhijit Deshpande, Pravin Jahagirdar

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Dr. Saleel Shrinivas Kulkarni

Cast: Sumeet Raghvan, Urmila Kanetkar Kothare,

Arjun Pur

Festivals & Awards:

IFFI Goa (official selection)

Seventeeners I Hadinelentu | 2022 Kannada | 122 mins

India



Synopsis

A selfie sex video of two teenagers gets leaked on the internet leading to irreparable damages in the lives of all stakeholders.



Prithvi Konanur

About the Director

Prithvi Konanur's films have been screened/nominated or recognized at festivals like Busan IFF, IFFI, IFFK, Zlin Film Festival, Prague IFF, Hong Kong IFF and many more. Hadinelentu is his 4th film after the critically recognized Railway Children and Pinki Elli?

Director: Prithvi Konanur

Producer: Thejaswi Konanur, Prithvi Konanur

Scriptwriter: Prithvi Konanur, Anupama Hegde

Cinematographer: Arjun Raja

Editor: Shivakumara Swamy

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Sherlyn Bhosale, Neeraj Matthew,

Rekha Kudligi, Bhavani Prakash

Festivals & Awards:

Busan International Film Festival 2022

JiSeok nominee,

IFFI Goa (official selection),

IFF Kerala

The Last Farmer | Kadaisi Vivasayi | 2022 Tamil | 122 min

Synopsis

The last active farmer in a remote village tries to hold out against a property developer.



M. Manikandan

About the Director

M. Manikandan was born on 13 February 1982 in Tamil Nadu, India. He is a writer and director, known for Kaakkaa Muttai (2014), Kadaisi Vivasayi (2021) and Untitled Vijay Sethupathi Film. He is a writer, director and cinematographer. India



Director: M. Manikandan

Producer: M. Manikandan

Scriptwriter: M. Manikandan

Cinematographer: Manikandan

Editor: Ajithkumar

Genre(s): Comedy, Drama

Music: Richard Harvey, Ilaiyaraaja

Cast: Nallandi, Vijay Sethupathi, Yogi Babu

Festivals & Awards:

Rotterdam International Film Festival 2021

- I nomination

Maalai Nera Malipoo | Maalai Nera Malipoo | 2022 | Tamil | 130 min

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Synopsis

The life of a prostitute and her adaptation and how she adapts to ensure making ends meet for herself and her son is what 'Maalai Nera Malipoo' explores. Lakshmi is a complex woman with various in securities and hard life. Her world revolves around her son Karna, but their relationship is tested by numerous pains and challenges life throws at her.



Sanjay Narayanan

About the Director

A 22-year-old from Chennai, India. He finished his Bachelors in Visual Communication at Madras Christian College (2018-2021). Sanjay learned filmmaking through making short films and collaborating with likeminded film enthusiasts.

Director: Sanjay Narayanan

Producer: Vijayalakshmi Narayanan

India

Scriptwriter: Sanjay Narayanan

Cinematographer: Noydup Dorjee

Editor: Sanjay

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Hrithik Shakthivel

Cast: Vinithra Menon, Ashwin, Dinesh Pandiar

Festivals & Awards: -

Mahananda | Mahananda | 2022 | Bengali | 132 min

Selected Sth Bengali Film Festival of Dallasto USA Selected Sth edition of the Ottaw Indian Film Festiva Awards (OIF) Selected Their

India

Synopsis

Mohal Basu, an enthusiastic young college student who wants to pursue her research on the contemporary writer and activist Mahananda Bhattacharjee.



About the Director

Arindam Sil was born on 12 March 1964 in India. He is a producer and actor, known for Ebar Shabor (2015), Byomkesh Gotro (2018) and Kahaani (2012). He is a producer, actor and director. Director: Arindam Sil

Producer: Firdausul Hasan, Prabal Halder

Scriptwriter: Subhendu Dasmunshi

Cinematographer: -

Editor: Sanglap Bhowmik

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Bickram Ghosh

Cast: Gargee Roychowdhury, Ishaa Saha,

Debshankar Haldar, Arna Mukhopadhyay

Festivals & Awards:

I nomination at IFFI Goa 2022

(official selection)

Pothanur Post Office I Pothanur Thabal Nilayam, 2022 | Tamil | 120 min

Synopsis

Ambitious entrepreneur Praveen who has only 36 hours to find a stolen money to save his family.



Praveen

About the Director

He has worked in technical and VFX Department for Hollywood and Indian movies for more than 12 years. He worked as a technical director for the movie 'Kochadaiiyaan'. This is his first feature film as a director.

India



Director: Praveen

Producer: Praveen, Sudhan

Scriptwriter: Praveen

Cinematographer: Sukumaran Sundar, Sundher

Editor: Praveen

Genre(s): Crime, Drama

Music: Sebastian Allen

Cast: Praveen, Anjali Rao, Vinoth Sridhar

Festivals & Awards: -

Pratikshya | Pratikshya | 2022 | Oriya | 137 min

India



Sanjay, an unemployed graduate is adamant to find a government job. Bipin, his father tries to convince him to take up any job as his retirement is at bay. The family is burdened with loans. Bipin is diagnosed with a terminal illness. Sanjay gets to know about the Government's scheme of compassionate appointment where a family member gets the job of the deceased government employee. A frustrated Sanjay waits for his father's death only to realise his ill mind.



Anupam Patnaik

About the Director

Anupam Patnaik is a filmmaker in the Oriya film industry making films under the banner Amiya Patnaik Productions that produced the biopic 'Tulasi Apa' on social activist Padmashri Tulasi Munda. His directorial debut is 'Pratikshya'. Director: Anupam Patnaik

Producer: Anupam Patnaik

Scriptwriter: Roshan Bisoi

Cinematographer: Deepak Kumar

Editor: Late, Deven Mishra Genre(s): Drama Music: -

Cast: Dipanwit Dasmohapatra, Choudhury

Jayprakash Das, Barsha Patnaik, Sreela Tripathy,

Roopambika Nayak, Abakash Mishra, Roshan Bisoi

Festivals & Awards:

IFFI Goa (official selection)



Saudi Vellakka CC.225/2009 | Saudi Vellakka CC.225/2009 | 2022 Malayalam | 144 min

Synopsis

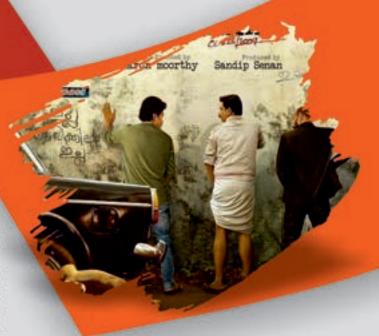
23-year-old Abhilash Sasidharan receives a summons warrant by the court for a long pending case. He is shocked as his dream of a Gulf visa will be at stake if he becomes a part of this tiring court procedure. Desperate to find out the truth, he gets to know that the real issue was a small conflict between two neighbours snowballing into a bigger one in a place called Saudi, in Ernakulam that changes the lives of everyone involved.



Tharun Moorthy

About the Director

Tharun Moorthy is known for Operation Java (2021), Saudi Vellakka (2022) and Thrissivaperoor Kliptham (2017). He is a director, writer and actor. India



Director: Tharun Moorthy

Producer: Urvashi Theatres

Scriptwriter: Tharun Moorthy

Cinematographer: Sharan Velayudhan

Editor: Nishad Yusuf

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Lukman Avaran, Devi Varma

Festivals & Awards:

IFFI Goa (official selection)

Soul of Silence | Soul of Silence | 2021 Assamese | 83 min

India



Soul of Silence is an anthology that represent three stories of labour families and individuals from Assam. These below proverty line people also have different frequencies of emotions and conflicts. This film tries to draw them on screen.



About the Director

Dhanjit Das is known for Xobdo Nixobdo Kolahol (2022), Iccha (2021) and Pepper Chicken (2020). He is from Assam. He is a writer, director and editor. Director: Dhanjit Das

Producer: Monita Borgohain

Scriptwriter: Dhanjit Das

Cinematographer: Chandra Kumar Das

Editor: Simanta Das, Hirakjyoti Pathak

Genre(s): Drama

Music: Himangshu Jaan Sarma, Piryam Gogoi

Cast: Samar Jyoti Sarkar, Swagata Bharali,

Pinky Ahistha

Festivals & Awards: -

By Her | Taya | 2021 Sanskrit | 112 min India



Synopsis

Savithri Antharjanam, better known as Kuriyedathu Tatri, is an enduring icon worthy of superstardom in women's struggle for gender justice. The body blow she struck at the vicious patriarchy that ruled her community is part of folklore in the south Indian State of Kerala. Her story is the inspiration for the Sanskrit movie 'Taya'.



Dr. G Prabha

About the Director

Dr.G.Prabha(Professor/Writer/Film maker) native of Pachicodu, Neyyattinkara, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala started the career as a Journalist and then associated with colleges in Kerala and Tamil Nadu as Professor. He headed the Department of Oriental Languages and was Professor of Sanskrit at Loyola College Chennai. He is the Director and the Script writer of the well acclaimed documentary films Akkitham and Agnave.

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Director: Dr. G Prabha

Producer: Gokulam Gopalan

Scriptwriter: Dr. G Prabha

Cinematographer: Sunny Joseph ISC

Editor: B Lenin Genre(s): Drama

Music: Biju Paulose

Cast: Nedumudi Venu, Nelliyodu Vasudevan

Namboothiri, Anumol, Babu Namboodiri, Rangasri

Revathi Subramanian, Pallippuram sunil, Dinesh

Panicker, Master Adidev, Meenakshi

Festivals & Awards: Sanjose International Fim

Festival: Costa Rica, Buzz

Vicious International Film Festivals

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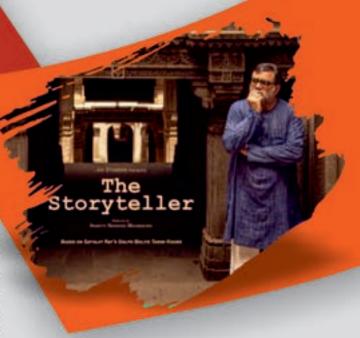
Pune International Film Festival

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The Storyteller | The Storyteller | 2022 Hindi | 117 min

India



Synopsis

Tarini Ranjan Bandhopadhyay, a maverick storyteller, is notorious for not sticking to one job and has switched 32 jobs in his working career. Now at 60, retired in Kolkata and a widower, his only regret is that he could never find the time to give his late wife Anuradha the vacation she always desired. And now suddenly, out of a job, he has all the time in the world, but his near ones aren't close to him.



Ananth Narayan Mahadevan

About the Director

Ananth Narayan Mahadevan is a national award-winning actor and director in the Hindi and regional film industry with films like 'Mee Sindhutai Sapkal' (2011), 'Rough Book' (2017) and 'Mai Ghat' (2019).

Director: Ananth Narayan Mahadevan

Producer: Quest Films

Scriptwriter: Kireet Khurana

Cinematographer: Alfonse Roy

Editor: Gourav Gopal Jha

Genre(s): Drama

Music: -

Cast: Paresh Rawal, Adil Hussain, Revathy,

Tannishtha Chatterjee, Jayesh More

Festivals & Awards:

IIFI Goa 2022 (official selection)



CLASSIC

Lovefilm | Szerelmesfilm 1970 | Hungarian | 123 min Hungary

in gettie but telling film about human experience and the vagaries of love."

LOVE

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FROM HUNGARY

Synopsis

Jancsi travels to France to meet the love of his life, Kata, who has been living abroad for 10 years. During his long journey, he recalls the story of their relationship in his memories, and is overwhelmed by reviving feelings. He imagines the current Kata, whom he has not seen for ten years, the long-awaited meeting. But reality does not follow imagination. They spend wonderful days together, but the last decade has built a deep gap between them.



István Szabó

About the Director

Director: István Szabó

Producer: -

Scriptwriter: István Szabó

Cinematographer: József Lörincz

Editor: György Sivó

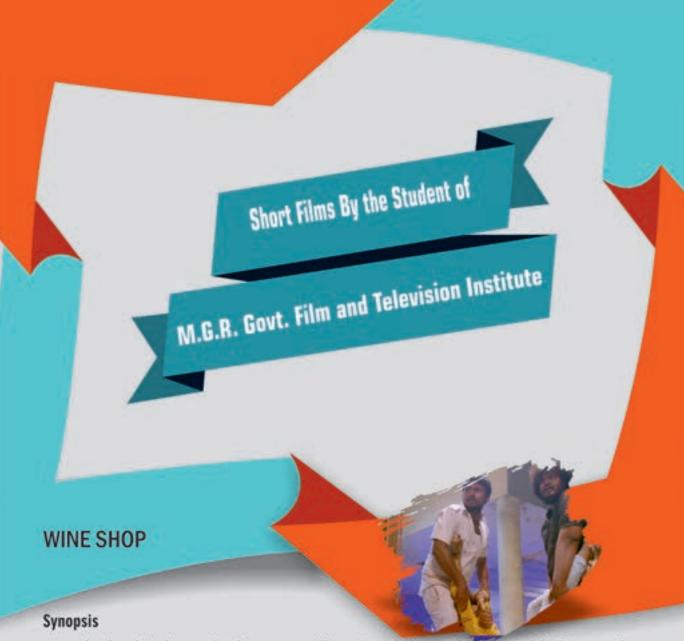
Genre(s): Drama

Music: János Gonda

Cast: Judit Halász, András Bálint, Edit Kelemen

Festivals & Awards: -

István Szabó was the first director to bring home to Hungary the Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film. The movie receiving the award was his 1981 film Mephisto. In January 2006, it became public that he had been an agent of the III/III department, a former communist agency of internal intelligence. He has won 1 BAFTA Film Award and another 48 wins \$22 nominations.



A mechanic who's in search of money, an IT employee who lost his job, a girl who meets her drunk husband and a taxi driver in search of a woman's company. Everyone connects through a single wine shop.

Director: Karunakaran Tinta Cameraman: Ruben Kishore

Editing: Hariharan K Sound: Rohan Benny

Di: Alwin Doss Vfx: Jeeva Nagan



Director biography:

Karunakaran an aspiring director/screenwriter born in 1996. He finished Visual Communication in the year 2015 and completed BVA in direction at MGR Film & TV institute. He has done a lot of short films and is currently working under a production for future projects





Synopsis

An artist named Maya loses her husband in an unfortunate accident after which she fails to process her emotions, hence leading to an art block. Arjun, a supermarket owner who used to be an artist, helps her gain strength with his story to get back on her feet.

Director: Manasa V

Cinematography: Dagnish S Ahmed

Editing: Rohith Kumar

Di: Arun Kumar Audio: Rishikesh Vfx: Surya K



Director biography:

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TIME

Synopsis

A painter who comes to an abandoned building for a job comes across a woman who'll change his perspective about reality. When she requests him to help her out of a mess that she's in. He has to work against a team to save her and against time itself.

Screenplay and Direction: Raghul Giri

Cinematography: Thiyagu

Editing: Pavalan Audio: Giftson DI: Rahul

Animation: Sabarinath



Roghul Giri

Director biography:

Raghul is an aspiring filmmaker who has completed Bachelor's degree in journalism and screenplay writing. Currently he's working as an assistant director under a director for a web series.





Synopsis

Raghuram is the single parent who is looking at Azhagi from feeding to cleaning. She can neither move nor talk. Raghuram is suffering from cancer in his final phase. His only concern is what happens to Azhagi if I die, so Raghuram went to the special foster home, but Raghuram didn't like the way they treat the patients there. After that, he had a discussion with his youngest daughter, but she denied it in a stern tone. Then one beautiful evening Raghuram took a strong decision for the good of his daughter.

Camera man: Dharun Kumar MC B.v.a

Editor: Vijay B.v.a Music director: Ram Vinish B.v.a Vfx and CG: Adithya B.v.a DI/Colorist: Hemnath B.v.a

Art director: Prem B.v.a Director biography:

Rabbani Khan who lives in Chennai Triplicane, living with small dreams of becoming a kind of filmmaker.



PERCEIVE

Synopsis

A middle class family's peace gets disrupted when the wife gets pregnant. The husband plans to abort the child but the wife doesn't share the same feeling. Their relationship suffers in the middle.

Direction : Saravanakumar B Cinematography : Kaliyappan

Editing: Manisha

Audiography: Arun Kumar

DJ: Sabapathy

VFX: Bharathi Sivakumar

Saravanakumar B

Director biography:

Saravanan has completed the direction and screenplay course from TN GOVT MGR Film & TV Institute, chennai. He has worked in television programmes as AD.

INSECTS



Synopsis

Two perfectly imperfect strangers get a chance to meet in an extraordinary situation. As their paths crosby, a series of events unfold, changing their fortunes.

Direction: Siva S

cinematography: Abbas Thooyavan

editing: Chidambaram sound: Surrendar DI: OM Prakash avfx: Prem Kumar



SIRAI

Synopsis

A gang of prisoners has hidden their looted money, and eventually they play drama to escape and get it back, but their plan glued themselves.

Director: Sindhu Bharath Story Writer: Karunakaran

Cinematographer: Deenadayalan Thekkamalay

Film Editor: Chidambaram & Balaji

Colorist: Ramsubramani Sound Engineer: Nirmal Visual Effect: Aroon



Sindhu Bharath

Director biography:

Sindhu Bharath was born in South side of India, Kovilpatti. He is a Director and he made this film as his College Diploma project.

AADUPULI AATTAM



Synopsis

An ego clash between a movie director and a stunt master leads to a big fight on set.

Director: Karunakaran Tinta

Dop: Reuben kishore Editing: Hariharan k

Sound: Ajith DI: Alwin doss

VFX: Bharathi sivakumar



Director biography:

Karunakaran an aspiring director/screenwriter born in 1996. He finished viscom in the year 2015 and completed BVA in direction at mgr film institute. He has done a lot of short films and is currently working under a production for future projects.

UMAI VIZHI



Synopsis

In this story, a 12-year-old girl gets sad when she is alone. Sometimes someone scares her while reading a book. One day this behavior comes to her mother's attention and she asks the doctor why she is doing this, the doctor says it happens because parents don't look after their children and also She says that parents should spend time with their children then the mother understand and cures her this is the story of Oomaivizhi.

Director: A. Sweetraj Cinematographer: Kitakaan Editor: Vijay Colouriest: Naveen PA Music: Ram vinish

Sfx: Manikandan Vfx &Title design: Edison

Director biography:

My name is A. Sweetraj. Studied in M. G. R. Film and

Television institutions. After finished my eduation. I worked with Aha production yes, I'm Pradeep Deva kumar's Assistant Director. Done two feature film as an assistant Director and I Directed few shortfilms, currently I'm looking some production office.



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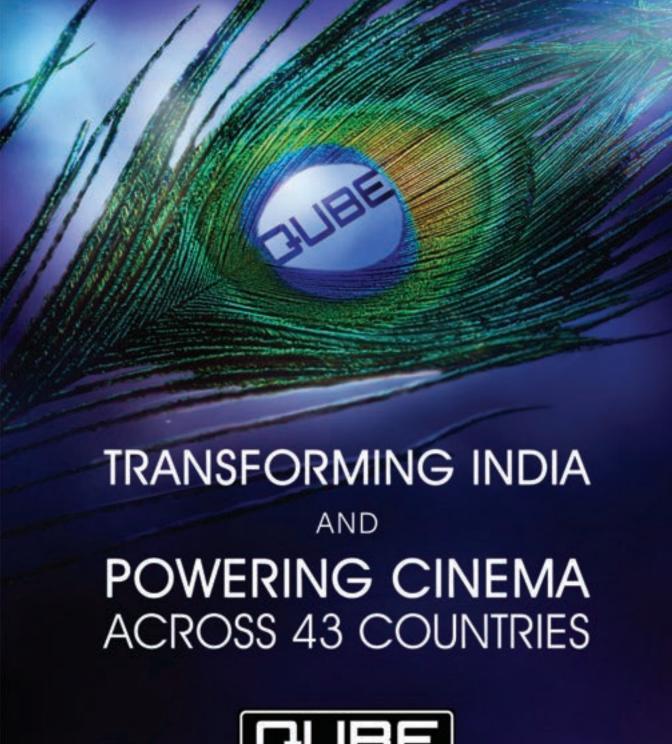
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