

NEXT GENERATION SHORT & TIGER



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Genre Animation, Experimental Year of Production 2013 Directors, Screenplay, Directors of Photography David Gesslbauer, Michael Lange Animation Michael Lange Producers David Gesslbauer, Michael Lange, Johann Valentinitsch Production Company Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg/Ludwigsburg Cast Sylvia Bryjok Length 4 min 21 sec Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Stereo, no dialogue

Routine or vicious circle? An unknown girl breaks out of her daily grind by undergoing an intense audiovisual trip.

David Gesstbauer was born in 1991 in Switzerland and grew up in Austria. His passion for film already became apparent during his secondary education at the HTBLVA Ortweinschule Graz in Audiovisual Media Design. He produced several music videos, commercials, spots, and short films. Since 2012, he has been studying Editing at the Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg in Ludwigsburg.

Michael Lange was born in 1989 in Kirchheim/Teck. As an intern at production companies, he gained experience in the fields TV series and VFX. Since 2012, he has been studying Animation at the Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg in Ludwigsburg.

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ABDULLAH

Genre AnimaDoc Year of Production 2013 Director, Screenplay, Animation, Producer Jakob Besuch Production Company University of Film and Television (HFF) "Konrad Wolf"/Potsdam Voices Abdullah Demir, Sven Mücke, Julia Günak, Jakob Besuch Length 9 min Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Dolby 5.1, German with English and French subtitles

Abdullah grew up as the son of a migrant family. Being part of the music scene, he increases his consumption of marijuana until he faces a psychosis. At the hospital he experiences recognition from a psychologist who supports his return to normal life.

Jakob Besuch was born in 1984 in Kassel. From 2004-2006, he worked at Lichthof Film & Animation and studied Animation at the University of Film and Television (HFF) "Konrad Wolf" from 2007-2012. ABDULLAH (2013) is his graduation film. He works as a freelance 3D-artist for animation studios Hahnfilm, Talking Animals and Liquid Image VFX.



AN DER TÜR AT THE DOOR

Genre Fiction, Drama Year of Production 2013 Director, Screenplay Miriam Bliese Director of Photography Markus Koob Producer Clemens Köstlin Production Company DFFB/Berlin, in co-production with ARTE/ Strasbourg Cast Wolfram Koch, Jeanette Hain, Max Zabinski Length 5 min Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Dolby Stereo, German with English subtitles

A man comes to pick up his son at his ex-wife's house. Like every weekend, he waits at the entrance to her apartment building for his son to come downstairs. But this Saturday it takes a little longer because their son wants to finish watching a TV show. And so the separated couple starts talking again – via the intercom. Suddenly the former intimacy is back, the conversation almost turns into a flirt...

Miriam Bliese was born in 1978. After working as an assistant director at several theaters, she studied German Literature at the FU Berlin. From 2002-2005, she worked as a freelance writer for ARTE and as an assistant director for documentary films. She has been studying Directing at the German Film and Television Academy Berlin (DFFB) since 2005.

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DIEBE THIEVES

Genre Fiction, Drama Year of Production 2013 Director Lauro Cress Screenplay Florian Plumeyer, Lauro Cress Director of Photography Albrecht von Grünhagen Producers Cécile Tollu-Polonowski, Clara von Fürstenberg Production Company DFFB/Berlin, in co-production with ARTE/Strasbourg Cast Max Woelky, Dennis Kamitz Length 7 min Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Dolby 5.1, German with English subtitles

Benny and Franz are thieves. The brothers steal jeans in shopping centers and boutique stores. Their routine involves a scam in which Benny, the younger of the two, has to play the ungrateful role of the decoy. When they encounter an overstrung shop assistant, it becomes clear to Franz that Benny's not going to let himself be pushed around very much longer.

Lauro Cress was born in 1983 in Munich. Early on, he gained recognition as a drummer in various bands and music productions (e.g. Phonoboy, Big Jim, Gown, Gil). After completing his intermediate diploma in Architecture, he moved to Berlin to study Experimental Media at the University of the Arts (UdK). He produced films and worked as a DoP. Since 2010 he has been studying Directing at the German Film & Television Academy (DFFB) in Berlin.

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EMIL

Genre AnimaDoc Year of Production 2013 Director, Screenplay, Animation, Producer Simon Steinhorst Color Design Hannah Stragholz Sound Design Antonio de Luca Production Company Academy of Media Arts Cologne (KHM) Voice Emil Groth Larsen Length 5 min Screening Format DCP, HDCAM, color, 16:9, Stereo, German with English subtitles

"If stuttering were allowed, I'd stutter loud and proud. IIII'm Emil an an an an an and I stutter. I st st st st st st st st stutter."

The film sketches a portrait of a complicated personality. Emil reflects the gaps in his speech which have become an obstacle between the internal and the external world.

Simon Steinhorst was born in Starnberg. He studied at the Academy of Media Arts Cologne from 2008-2013. His short animation DAPHNE & NOA (2011) won the *Promotional Award* in the NRW Competition at the Oberhausen Short Film Festival 2012. EMIL (2013) is his graduation film.



ES GEHT AUCH ANDERS ANOTHER WAY

Genre Social Spot Year of Production 2013 Director, Screenplay, Director of Photography, Producer Jan Heise Production Company Kunsthochschule Kassel Cast Helga Schulhauser, Maximilian Wagner Length 48 sec Screening Format DCP, color, cs, Stereo, no dialoque

Everyone's familiar with the situation of annoying people who can't leave their cell phone alone in the cinema. In this film it leads to a clash of generations.

Jan Heise was born in 1993. He has been studying Visual Communication at the Kassel School of Art and Design since 2012.



HIDDEN TRACK

Genre Animation Year of Production 2013 Director, Screenplay, Director of Photography, Producer Elisabeth Zwimpfer Animation Theresa Grysczok, Daniel Maass, Elisabeth Zwimpfer Production Company Kunsthochschule Kassel Voices Leonard Bahro, Tobias Böhm, Holger Jenss, Florian Maubach, Michael Kreiker, Alma Weber Length 6 min 36 sec Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Dolby 5.1, German with English subtitles

Somewhere in the background of the grim reality an affair is lurking like a hidden track on a tape cassette. They live in the same block of flats. She's surrounded by job ads, he's followed by drunken friends. In the street she comes into contact with him, but he's already heard her singing through the apartment walls. They are connected by a song and a love for juggling. In a discotheque they both get into trouble. But there is a chance of escaping together.

Elisabeth Zwimpfer was born in 1981 in Basel/Switzerland. She trained as a graphic designer from 2002-2005, studied Art History in Bern from 2005-2007, and Graphic Design and Fine Arts in Nuremberg from 2007-2011. Since 2011, she has been a student of Illustration and Animation at the Kassel School of Art and Design. Her short animations include TO BUY OR NOT TO BUY (2010), TOTE FISCHE (2011), and HIDDEN TRACK (2013). She is also active as a photographer and illustrator.

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HIGH WOOL

Genre Animation, Western Year of Production 2013 Directors, Screenplay, Animation, Producers Moritz Mugler, Nikolai Maderthoner Production Company Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg/Ludwigsburg Length 2 min 22 sec Screening Format DCP, color, cs, Stereo, no dialogue

A duel in a town made of strings.

Moritz Mugler was born in 1990. During an internship in the Animation Department of the Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg he also assisted in various student projects. He started studying Audiovisual Media, but soon realized he'd rather specialize in Transmedia Storytelling. In 2012, he began studying Interactive Media at the Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg in Ludwigsburg.

Nikolai Maderthoner was born in 1991 in Austria. He attended the HTBLVA Ortweinschule in Graz, specializing in Audiovisual Media Design. He also worked as a freelance animator and made films while attending school. Since 2012, he has been studying Animation at the Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg in Ludwigsburg.



JOB INTERVIEW

Genre Fiction, Psychological Thriller Year of Production 2013 Director, Screenplay Julia Walter Director of Photography Nikola Krivokuća Producers Daniel Rohm, Jakob Vogt Production Companies Rovolution Film/ Munich, University of Television and Film Munich (HFF) Cast Stefanie von Poser, Sinikka Schubert, Christian Lex Length 9 min 24 sec Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, 5.1, German with English subtitles

When Lisa applies for a job, everything seems to be turning out pretty well. Until the boss Marie starts asking strange questions and the job interview turns out to be a little different than expected.

Julia Walter was born in 1984 and grew up in Hamburg. She did internships at film production companies, studied Literature and Philosophy and worked as an assistant director before taking up studies in Directing at the University of Television and Film Munich (HFF). Her short films include MARTHA AND KARL (2012), winner of the Blaue Blume Award 2013: Best Romantic Short, JOB INTERVIEW (2013), and GARTENFEIND [2014].



STILLER LÖWE TOUCH OF SILENCE

Genre Fiction, Drama Year of Production 2013 Director Sven Philipp Pohl Screenplay Julia Neuhaus Director of Photography Stefan Bühl Producer Alexandra Staib Production Company Hamburg Media School Cast Eyk Kauly, Sonja Gerhardt, Simon Zigah, Brian Dominic Sommer, Juraj Jordan, Moritz Leu, Roben Fröhlich Length 6 min 12 sec Screening Format DCP, b&w, 1:1.85, Dolby 5.1, no dialoque

Severin is in the throes of a club scene: pulsating bass, radiant heat and tentative flirtations with a gorgeous blonde. Deaf from birth, his sign-language is often misunderstood. Later that evening, being clearly understood will be a matter of life and death...

Sven Philipp Pohl was born in 1985 in Berlin. He studied Media and Culture in Maastricht and Aarhus, graduating with a B.A. in 2007. He attended the European Film College in 2008, followed by various internships in film and freelance work as boom operator and editor. He directed several short films and the no-budget-feature DIE TRACHT [2011], before taking up postgraduate film studies at the Hamburg Media School in 2012. His short films include TOUCH OF SILENCE (STILLER LÖWE, 2013) and WALTZING MATILDA (2014).

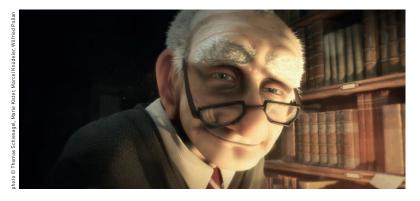


DER STORYTELLER THE STORYTELLER

Genre Social Spot Year of Production 2013 Director Milan Ruben Kappen Screenplay Michael Binz Director of Photography Christian Mario Löhr Producers Milan Ruben Kappen, Michael Binz Production Company Academy of Media Arts Cologne (KHM) Cast Piet Fuchs, Julia Karl, Thomas Hatzmann, Hans-Günter Brünker, Luise Schmidt Length 1 min 20 sec Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, 5.1, German with English subtitles

THE STORYTELLER tells the story of a man who can't tell stories.

Milan Ruben Kappen was born in 1987 in Bielefeld. He worked as an assistant director and production assistant at a production company for commercials and music videos from 2007-2009. Since 2009, he has been studying at the Academy of Media Arts Cologne (KHM).



TEA TIME

Genre Animation Year of Production 2013 Directors, Screenplay, Producers Thomas Schienagel, Marie Kister, Marcel Knüdeler, Wilfried Pollan Animation Marie Kister, Marcel Knüdeler Mentors Prof. Jürgen Schopper, Prof. Dr. Max Ackermann, Prof. Burkard Vetter Production Company Nuremberg Institute of Technology Georg-Simon-Ohm, Faculty of Design Voices Osman Ragheb, Julie Weigand Length 7 min 41 sec Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Stereo, English OV

A young woman enters the library of elderly librarian Paul. He cannot remember her name but knows that she ordered a book. As Paul sets out to look for it in the dusty aisles of his vast library, the boundary between reality and illusion starts to blur until nothing is as it seems.

3D artists **Thomas Schienagel, Marie Kister, Marcel Knüdeler** and compositing artist **Wilfried Pollan** studied Media Design at the Technische Hochschule Georg Simon Ohm in Nuremberg. Their projects include short films, commercials and music videos. TEA TIME [2013] is their graduation film.



TELEKOMMANDO TELECOMMANDER

Genre Fiction, Comedy Year of Production 2014 Director Erik Schmitt Screenplay Erik Schmitt, Stephan Müller, Sebastian Plappert, Folke Renken Director of Photography Johannes Louis Producers Fabian Gasmia, Henning Kamm Production Company Detailfilm/Hamburg Cast Folke Renken, Maxim Mehmet, Stephan Müller Length 4 min 50 sec Screening Format DCP, color, 16:9, Stereo, German with English subtitles

Volker Henk has been working for the local city authorities for years, he's in charge of the automation of urban activities. He impressively demonstrates the myriad possibilities of his universal remote control. But when it gets stolen, the city succumbs to apocalyptic chaos.

Erik Schmitt was born in 1980 in Mainz. He studied Communications in Munich, Melbourne and Berlin, After extensive travels around the world and his first cinematographic work experience, he founded Kamerapferd together with Stephan Müller. His films include: HOW TO FLY HIGH (NICHT NUR DER HIMMEL IST BLAU, short, 2009), SOLARTAXI - AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE SUN (doc, 2010), NOW FOLLOWS (NUN SE-HEN SIE FOLGENDES, short, 2010), MY MIND WANDERS (ICH SCHWEIFE AB, short, 2012), RHINO FULL THROTTLE (NASHORN IM GALOPP, short, 2013), and TELEKOMMANDO (short, 2014).

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WO WIR SIND WHERE WE ARE

Genre Fiction, Drama Year of Production 2013 Director Ilker Çatak Screenplay Georg Lippert Director of Photography Johannes Kreuser Producer Jakob Deutsch Production Company Hamburg Media School Cast Katharina Behrens, Paula Haberland, Benjamin Morik, Marcus Prell, Kirsten Nehberg Length 13 min 53 sec Screening Format DCP, color, cs, Dolby Digital 5.1, German with English subtitles

Christina has lost custody of her daughter as a result of her heroin addiction. In a desperate attempt, she and nine-year-old Paula try to leave the old life behind.

Ilker Çatak was born in 1984 in Berlin. He studied Film and TV Directing in Berlin and Mittweida. In 2011, he was awarded a scholarship by the public broadcaster BR to write his feature debut. Since 2012, he has been a postgraduate student at the Hamburg Media School. He has directed several commercials and the short films WHEN NAMIBIA WAS A CITY (2010), OLD SCHOOL (ALTE SCHULE, 2013), and WHERE WE ARE (WO WIR SIND, 2014).



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