

NEXT GENERATION SHORT & TIGER

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German Films and the German Federal Film Board (FFA) are happy to present together a new edition of the short film program NEXT GENERATION SHORT TIGER! This showcase of the most promising German directing talents and new film trends can look back on a remarkable 20-year history. Audiences around the world have been given the chance to discover exceptional student shorts – the NEXT GENERATION of German cinema – together with the best German shorts under 5 minutes – the winners of the FFA's SHORT TIGER Award.

The 13 short films selected by an expert jury for NEXT GENERATION SHORT TIGER 2019 represent a wide diversity of forms, genres, subjects and skillful filmmaking. The films scan deeply under the surface of current social topics and share fascinating perspectives with the audience. Their stories are deeply personal as well as immensely universal, told from different angles and in a variety of styles. This program confirms that short film is an independent art form deserving of the big screen and the awareness of audiences. We hope you share our enthusiasm and help us spread the word: the program will be available after Cannes for screenings at international festivals and film events throughout the year.

PLEASE COME AND ENJOY!

The films for NEXT GENERATION SHORT TIGER 2019 were selected by an expert jury: writer-director Doris Dörrie, Daniel Ebner (Artistic Director VIS Vienna Shorts Festival) and Dr. Gregory Theile (Kinopolis/Theile Group). The NEXT GENERATION student films were chosen from a total of 59 submissions from 11 film schools; to be eligible the films had to be 15 minutes or under and completed at German film schools in 2018 or 2019. An additional 55 films were submitted to the SHORT TIGER competition; the conditions of entry for these films were suitability for theatrical release and a maximum running time of 5 minutes.



ARMED LULLABY

GENRE Animation, Drama YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2019 DIRECTOR/ANIMATION/PRODUCER Yana Ugrekhelidze EDITOR Hannah Rosh MUSIC Ensemble 'Suliko' of the Tbilisi State Opera and Ballet PRODUCTION COMPANY Kunsthochschule für Medien Köln (KHM) CAST Lev Shuster, Anastasia Schwegler, Ričard Liepinš, Giorgi Gedevanidze RUNTIME 9 min LANGUAGE no dialogue

The film shows four routes of flight that were taken by four children in order to escape an ethnic massacre. One had to push through the crowd to get to the last ship, another one to get to the last train, and a third to the last plane, which explodes after takeoff. The fourth child, who missed all three possibilities to leave his hometown, walks together with his family and thousands of other refugees over the snow-covered mountains. The film is based on the real stories of people who escaped the Sukhumi Massacre in 1993 during the Abkhazian-Georgian war.

YANA UGREKHELIDZE was born in 1984 in Tbilisi, Georgia. After receiving a Diploma as an interpreter at the University of Georgia she earned a B.A. in Communication Design at the Peter Behrens School of Arts in Düsseldorf. During her postgraduate studies at the Academy of Media Arts Cologne (KHM), she directed the animated short SUMMER STORY, which premiered at the Oberhausen Short Film Festival 2017 and was a semi-finalist at the Student Academy Awards®. ARMED LULLABY (2019) is her graduation film.



LA BOUTIQUE

GENRE Animation YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY Andreas Fischer ANIMATION Andreas Fischer, Richard Lück, Christoph Kühn, Dennis Brinkmann EDITOR Christoph Kühn CINEMATOGRAPHY Dennis Brinkmann, Zacharias Pasztor, Andreas Fischer MUSIC Daniel Raab PRODUCER Prof. Jürgen Schopper PRODUCTION COMPANIES Keyholefilms, Technische Hochschule Nürnberg RUNTIME 8 min LANGUAGE no dialogue

In 1950 in Paris, two shop mannequins in a newly reopened fashion boutique come magically to life. Due to their limited range of movement there is always a distance between them. Nevertheless their affection for one another blossoms into love.

ANDREAS FISCHER was born in 1989 in Ramsberg. He studied Civil Engineering and has worked on photography and art projects. Since 2016, he has been studying Film and Animation at the Nuremberg Institute of Technology. He directed the music video INTO THE NIGHT WORLD – MACHINAE SUPREMACY (2017) and the animated short LA BOUTIQUE (2018).

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FEST

GENRE Animation, Experimental YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY/ANIMATION/PRODUCER Nikita Diakur MUSIC/SOUND DESIGN David Kamp RUNTIME 3 min LANGUAGE no dialogue

A suburban block party. Rave, drone, BBQ and ice cream. Then a stunt. YouTube inspired and simulated.

NIKITA DIAKUR is a Russian-born filmmaker based in Germany. His signature technique is dynamic computer simulation, which embraces spontaneity, randomness and mistakes. His films include FLY ON THE WINDOW (2009), UGLY (2017) and FEST (2018).



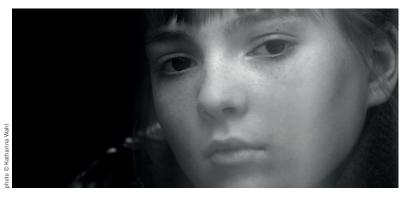
FORMEN SHAPES

GENRE Documentary YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY/EDITOR Fariba Buchheim CINE-MATOGRAPHY Natalia Mamaj MUSIC Karim Shalaby PRODUCER Andreas Pfohl PRODUCTION COMPANY Hochschule für Fernsehen und Film München (HFF) WITH Nadja Alimoradian, Kay Depner, Silvia Genth, Laura Rehm, Janine Winter RUNTIME 11 min LANGUAGE German with English subtitles

To match the ideal of beauty, the human back has to be straight and exhibit strength. It's the largest part of the body and makes us stand erect. SHAPES is an homage to different kinds of backs: those marked by scars, curvatures, deformations – deviant from our norm.

FARIBA BUCHHEIM, born in 1995 in Switzerland, trained as a TV journalist at the Bavarian Academy for Television in Munich. Since 2017, she has been studying Documentary Directing at the University of Television and Film Munich (HFF). In 2018, she founded the production company NOZY Films together with Andreas Pfohl. They produce and direct documentaries, music videos and commercials. Her films include the shorts SHAPES [2018], UNHEILBAR [2018] and the music video KENNST MI NO [2018].

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DER JUNGE IM KAROHEMDTHE BOY IN THE CHEQUERED SHIRT

GENRE Fiction YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2019 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY Aleksandra Odić CINEMATOGRAPHY Katharina Wahl EDITOR Branka Pavlović MUSIC Misha Cvijović PRODUCER Ibrahim-Utku Erdogan PRODUCTION COMPANY DFFB CAST Pola Skrzypczyk, Lorenz Willkomm, Emmi Lou Brettschneider, Luise Schmidt, Fee de Wolff RUNTIME 6 min LANGUAGE German with English subtitles

He suddenly appeared. During lunch break he always stands alone in the school yard. Vera watches him with secret fascination.

ALEKSANDRA ODIĆ was born in Bosnia and Herzegovina. She studies Directing at the German Film and Television Academy Berlin (DFFB). In 2012, she received a scholarship from the Akademie der Künste Berlin. She directed the short films DRAŠKO, MY FATHER (2009), SANJA DREAMS (2011), FRIDA (2013) and NEW SNOW (2014). Her mid-length film GREAT WALL OF CHINA (2017) was screened at the Sarajevo Film Festival 2017 and at the Berlinale 2018.



JUPITER

GENRE Fiction YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2019 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY Benjamin Pfohl CINEMATOGRAPHY Tim Kuhn EDITOR Valesca Peters MUSIC Garv Hirche PRODUCERS Martin Kosok, Alexander Fritzemeyer CO-PRO-DUCERS Sebastian Fehring, Tristan Bähre, Philipp Maron PRODUCTION COMPANY DREIFILM, in co-production with ARTE, BR, Maverick Film, Hochschule für Fernsehen und Film München CAST Greta Bohacek, Cosima Shaw, Kai Ivo Baulitz, Carlo Schmitt, Thekla Hartmann RUNTIME 14 min LANGUAGE German with English subtitles

Only a few hours until comet Calypso passes Earth at a threatening distance. A shy teenage girl is travelling with her family to a remote cabin in the Alps, where she has to decide whether to pursue her own path on Earth or to follow her parents, members of a cosmic cult, through a fatal procedure into a higher existence on Jupiter,

BENJAMIN PFOHL was born in Cologne in 1985. He worked on several German and international feature film productions and received scholarships for DAAD residencies in Buenos Aires and Tunis. He studied Directing at the University of Television and Film in Munich (HFF). His films include the shorts MUNICH BOHÈME (2010), JAEGER (2012), AMAZIGH GHOSTLAND (2014, doc), and GHOSTS (2014), which screened at more than 20 international film festivals and won the FIPRESCI Prize of the Drama Short Film Festival, He is developing his graduation short JUPITER (2019) into his feature debut.

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MASCARPONE

GENRE Fiction/Animation YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTOR Jonas Riemer SCREENPLAY Katharina Ruß, Johannes Rothe CINEMATOGRAPHY Jana Pape EDITORS Holger Bück, Jonas Riemer, Martin Herold MUSIC Robert Pilgram PRODUCER Johannes Schubert PRODUCTION COMPANY Filmuniversität Babelsberg KONRAD WOLF CAST Yannick Fischer, Jörg Moukaddam, Cornelia Ivancan, Dela Dabulamanzi, Nico Birnbaum, Jörg Westphal, Michael Lindl, Tom Böttcher, Carsten Woithe, Matt Sweetwood RUNTIME 14 min LANGUAGE English

A car crash thrusts Francis, the dreamy film projectionist, into the world of the ruthless gangster Mascarpone.

JONAS RIEMER was born in 1990 near Berlin. He studied Animation at the Film University Babelsberg KONRAD WOLF. In 2011 he worked as a production assistant and lead animator on the feature film THIS AIN'T CALIFORNIA. In his innovative work, he plays with the limits of the impossible, combining elements of live-action, animation and visual effects films. His graduation short MASCARPONE (2018) is his first film as a director, author and VFX supervisor.



MILCHMÄNNER MILK MEN

GENRE Animation YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTORS/SCREENPLAY/ANIMATION/CINEMATOGRAPHY/
EDITORS, PRODUCERS Aljoscha Ramon Böhnert, Michelle Burakowski VOICES Inés Sass, Marek Erhardt,
Ole Jacobsen RUNTIME 3 min LANGUAGE German with English subtitles

A short film about three people who sell or buy breast milk.

ALJOSCHA RAMON BÖHNERT and MICHELLE BURAKOWSKI study Media Informatics with a focus on film at the University of Applied Sciences in Flensburg.



MOONJUMP

GENRE Fiction YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTOR/EDITOR Lasse Holdhus SCREENPLAY Yoav Rolef, Alexander Brack CINEMATOGRAPHY Alexander Brack SOUND DESIGN David Röntgen PRODUCER Victor Buzalka PRODUCTION COMPANY DFFB, in co-production with ARTE, SWR CAST Marlen Letetzki RUNTIME 5 min LANGUAGE German/English with English subtitles

Major Luna jumps towards the moon. In a swimming pool she explores her fantasy to float weightlessly in space.

LASSE HOLDHUS was born in 1991 in Stavanger, Norway. Since 2013, he has been studying Directing at the German Film and Television Academy Berlin (DFFB). He directed the short films HARDSHIPS OF A YOUTH (2016), WITH TREES (2017), UGLY BUTTERFLIES (2018), and MOONJUMP (2018).



MYBORDER'S JOYFENCE

GENRE Fiction, Social Spot YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY Michael Kranz CINEMATOG-RAPHY Jana Lämmerer EDITORS Jana Lämmerer, Michael Kranz MUSIC Ina Meredi Arakelian PRODUCER Andreas Hört PRODUCTION COMPANIES oki films, Hochschule für Fernsehen und Film München (HFF) CAST Agnes Kiyomi Decker, Lucy Wirth, Herman van Ulzen, Sobi Darcal, Uday Alturk, Shukry Alturk RUNTIME 1 min 30 sec LANGUAGE Enqlish

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MICHAEL KRANZ, born in 1983 in Ravensburg, studied Acting at the Otto Falckenberg School of the Performing Arts in Munich and has appeared in many German and international productions such as THE WHITE RIBBON, INGLOURIOUS BASTERDS and BRIDGE OF SPIES. He studied Documentary Directing and Advertising at the University of Television and Film Munich (HFF). He graduated with the social spot MY-BORDER'S JOYFENCE (2018) and the documentary WAS TUN (2019).



NEST

GENRE Animation YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2019 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY/ANIMATION/EDITOR/PRODUCER Sonja Rohleder MUSIC Jens Heuler RUNTIME 4 min LANGUAGE no dialogue

A slightly naïve bird of paradise is going out of his way to attract a mate.

SONJA ROHLEDER was born in 1982 in Zwickau. She studied Animation at the Film University Babelsberg KONRAD WOLF from 2003-2009, and returned there as a teacher from 2012-2017. Together with fellow students, she founded the Talking Animals animation collective in Berlin. Her work has been featured in museum installations, video games, films, music videos and theater productions. She wrote, produced and directed the short animations COCOON CHILD (2009), KOLUMBUS (2012), WALK THE DOG (2014), YOUNG BLOOD (2015), QUIET (2019) and NEST (2019).



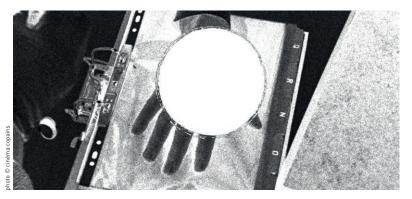
DIE TINTE TROCKNET NICHT THE INK DOESN'T DRY

GENRE Fiction YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2019 DIRECTOR/SCREENPLAY Felix Herrmann CINEMATOGRAPHY Karl Kürten EDITORS Nina Ergang, Camille Tricaud, Felix Herrmann PRODUCERS Aylin Kockler, Maximilian Bungarten PRODUCTION COMPANY Hochschule für Fernsehen und Film München (HFF) CAST Süheyla Ünlü, Amelle Schwerk, Hassan Akkouch RUNTIME 15 min LANGUAGE German/English with English subtitles

Two friends, young German Muslims, live together. They observe the culture, the church, the dating, the relationships and each other. One thinks pragmatically, the other thinks romantically.

FELIX HERRMANN was born in 1988 in Munich. From 2009-2013, he studied History and Iranian Studies in Berlin. Since 2013, he has been studying Documentary Directing at the University of Television and Film Munich (HFF). In 2017/2018, he spent an exchange year at the Ecole nationale supérieure Louis Lumière in Paris. His films as a director include JUNGE RÖMER (2014), ROUGH DIAMONDS (2015, co-dir Jakob Defant), which was nominated for the German Short Film Award, LES SAUVAGES (2018, co-dir Camille Tricaud) and THE INK DOESN'T DRY (2019).

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WHOSE HAND WAS IT?

GENRE Documentary, Experimental YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2018 DIRECTORS/SCREENPLAY/EDITORS/PRODUCERS Minze Tummescheit, Sara Lehn, Arne Hector CINEMATOGRAPHY Minze Tummescheit, Arne Hector MUSIC Julián Bonequi PRODUCTION COMPANY cinéma copains VOICES Ute Waldhausen, Lola Göller, Christian Diaz Orejarena, Markus Seitz, Uwe Hector RUNTIME 3 min LANGUAGE German with English subtitles

A detached human hand found after a bomb attack takes us into the abyss of the German intelligence apparatus. The film asks where to look for the roots of intelligence officers' amnesia and the destruction of records in the course of the NSU investigations.

The continuity of the viewpoint and the analogy of mistakes: 1980 and today. "What applies here is the need-to-know principle." This intelligence maxim is being radically contradicted.

Since 2000, MINZE TUMMESCHEIT and ARNE HECTOR work as "cinéma copains" and cooperate with "copines" and "copains" all over the world. Their long-term documentary projects include lectures, performances, installations and experimental films. Copine SARA LEHN is an independent radiomaker and one of the managers of the art and project space WestGermany in Berlin.

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