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# screenings schedule

# and then we danced by levan akin (106')

### thursday 16th

- 08:45 official | théâtre croisette
- 20:45 official | théâtre croisette

### friday 17th

22:30 official | cinéma les arcades

### saturday 18th

09:30 market | riviera 2

# monday 20th

10:00 market | palais g

# ceniza negra by sofía quirós ubeda (82')

# friday 17th

18:00 market | palais i

# sunday 19th

- 11:30 official | espace miramar
- 17:15 official | espace miramar
- 22:30 official | espace miramar

# monday 20th

08:30 official | espace miramar

# wednesday 22nd

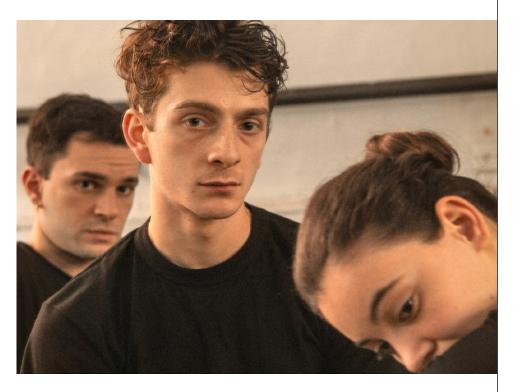
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# QUINTIE AND THEN WE DANCED

by Levan Akin

2019 | Drama Romance | Sweden, Georgia, France | Color | 106'



Levan Akin is a Swedish born filmmaker of Georgian descent whose work often plays on class and gender. Georgia is ranked as the world's third most homophobic country.

# dance tradition attraction empowerment

### A young dancer falls in love with his strongest rival in conservative Georgia.

### SYNOPSIS

Merab has been training since a young age at the National Georgian Ensemble with his dance partner Mary. His world is suddenly turned upside down when the charismatic and carefree Irakli arrives and becomes both his strongest rival and desire. In this conservative setting Merab finds himself having to break free and risk it all.

WRITER & DIRECTOR Levan Akin • PRODUCERS French Quarter Film, Takes Film, Ama Productions • CAST Levan Gelbakhiani, Ana Javakishvili, Bachi Valishvili • LANGUAGE Georgian • LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR TriArt Films



66 I wanted to explore how a great encounter can lead you to be bold and free.

Levan Akin





2019 | Drama | Costa Rica, Argentina, Chile, France | Color | 82'



mysterious forest rituals

generations

Selva, thirteen, discovers that when we die we just shed our skin. We can turn into wolfs, goats, shadows, or anything that fantasy allows us to be.

### SYNOPSIS

Selva (13) lives in a Caribbean coastal town. After the sudden disappearance of her only motherly figure, Selva is the only one left to take care of her grandfather, who doesn't want to live anymore. Between mysterious shadows and wild games, she debates whether helping her grandfather achieve his desire, even though this might mean going through her last moments of childhood alone.

**WRITER & DIRECTOR** Sofía Quirós Ubeda • **PRODUCERS** Sputnik Films, Murillo Cine, La POST Producciones, Promenades Films • **CAST** Smachleen Gutiérrez, Humberto Samuels, Hortensia Smith, Keha Brown • **LANGUAGE** Spanish

Sofía Quirós Ubeda was born in Argentina but grew up in Costa Rica, her last short film was in competition at la Semaine de la Critique's in 2017, *Ceniza Negra* is her first feature film.



Ceniza Negra is about a child's strength while she deals with the experience of death as a way of understanding life. A search for finding the magic in mourning hidden in the daily and the invisible.

Sofía Quirós Ubeda



# pre production

# **COMPARTMENT N°6**

by Juho Kuosmanen

Spring 2021 | Road Movie | Finland, Russia, Estonia | Color



From the director of *The Happiest Day in the Life of Olli Maki*, Un Certain Regard

Prize, Cannes 2016, sold in

more than 40 territories.

journey humanity russia 80's

Aboard the Trans-Siberian, two strangers share a journey which will change their perspective on life.

### SYNOPSIS

In the late 1980s, a young Finnish woman escapes a love triangle to take a train to Mongolia. Confronted with the reality of a late-Soviet Siberia, she is forced to share her journey with a man who hates the world.

**DIRECTOR** Juho Kuosmanen • **WRITERS** Livia Ulman, Andris Feldmanis based on the book by Rosa Liksom (translated in 15 languages) • **PRODUCERS** Aamu Films, CTB Films, Amrion Production • **CAST** Seidi Haarla • **LANGUAGE** Russian • **LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR** Plan B



The only way to be free is to accept the absurdity of life. Freedom is not to climb up, freedom is to let go.

Juho Kuosmanen



# in production

# **MONEYBOYS**

by C.B.Yi

Spring 2020 | Drama | Austria, France | Color



where he studied at Vienna Academy under the guidance of Michael Haneke.

Chinese director C.B.Yi

immigrated to Austria in 1994

# taboo lgbtq capitalism love

In order to financially help his family, young Fei, moves to the big city to work as a "moneyboy".

### SYNOPSIS

Fei works as a "moneyboy" which earns him a lot of money since prostitution is illegal in China. It gives him a way to support his family financially. The experienced money boy Xiaolai takes Fei under his wing.

**DIRECTOR & WRITER** C.B.Yi • **PRODUCERS** KPG Produktion, Zorba Production • **CAST** Kai Ko, Zhexi Lin • **LANGUAGE** Mandarin • **LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR** ARP Selection



I grew up in a small village in China, throughout my childhood I had to comply with traditions. To have the freedom to choose your own path in life, you had to fight against everything and everyone.

C.B.Yi



# in production

# KISS ME BEFORE IT BLOWS UP

by Shirel Peleg

Spring 2020 | Comedy | Germany | Color



Shirel Peleg was raised in Israel and immigrated to Germany in 2012 to study screenwriting, *Kiss me before it blows up* is her first feature film.

# family comedy explosive culture shock

An explosive comedy. A mix of family, past, politics, love and Jewish tradition

### SYNOPSIS

When two generations of Israeli women each fall in love respectively with an Arab men and a German woman, chaos follows their failing attempts to unite this family. If the Grandmother can't marry Ibrahim, neither can her grand-daughter marry Maria!

WRITER & DIRECTOR Shirel Peleg • PRODUCER Fireglory Pictures • CAST Moran Rosenblatt, Luise Wolfram, Rivka Michaeli, Juliane Köhler, Bernhard Schütz, Irit Kaplan, John Carroll Lynch • LANGUAGE English, German, Hebrew, Arabic • LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR X Verleih



be possible for a young couple to build a future without ignoring the past.

Shirel Peleg



# in production

# **MY SUNNY MAAD**

by Michaela Pavlátová

Spring 2021 | Animation | Czech Republic, France, Slovakia | Color



Oscar nominated and internationally acclaimed Czech animator Michaela Pavlátová's feature animation, adapted from Petra Procházková's novel "Frišta".

# animation feminism family cultures

### Welcome to Kabul: one family, countless secrets.

### SYNOPSIS

When Herra, a Czech woman, falls in love with Nazir, an Afghan men, she has no idea about the life that awaits her in post-Taliban Afghanistan, nor about the family she is about to join.

**DIRECTOR** Michaela Pavlátová • **WRITER** Ivan Arsenjev and Yaël Levy (Inspired from Petra Procházková's novel "Frišta") • **PRODUCERS** Negativ, Sacrebleu production, BFILM • **CAST** Zuzana Stivínová, Martha Issová, Hynek Čermák, Ivan Trojan • **LANGUAGE** Czech • **LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR** Falcon, ASFK



The story lays on gentle humor and well observed everyday details of the family life.

Michaela Pavlátová



# **GENDER DERBY**

by Camille Ducellier

2018 | Documentary web series | France | Color | 7x8'



Follow Jasmin, trans and genderfluid in a 100% vertical queer serial.

### SYNOPSIS

This documentary serial challenges gender stereotypes by focusing on the singular journey of Jasmin, a transgender boy who is passionate about Roller Derby. Introducing an intimate and unusual portrait, this serial is proposed in vertical format for a face to face with Jasmine trough this unique moment of transition.

**DIRECTOR** Camille Ducellier • **WRITER** Camille Ducellier • **PRODUCERS** Flair Production • **LANGUAGE** French • **LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR** France Télévisions Nouvelles écritures

Writer, director and artist Camille Ducellier works on a hybrid art between art and cinema. Feminist queer, she knows very well the gender issues. She studied them through her friends but also on an academic level.

# transfluid roller derby vertical transition



Through my documentary experiences, I always have the desire to share the voices of those who reinvent, in the margins, their bodies in motion.

Camille Ducellier



# **SHOCK WAVES** A collection of four films

FIRST NAME, MATHIEU by Lionel Baier A DIARY OF MY MIND by Ursula Meier THE VALLEY by Jean-Stéphane Bron SIRIUS by Frédéric Mermoud

2018 | Drama | Switzerland | Color | 4x55'



Each of these four journeys begin with a true story, a piece of news that happened in Switzerland and that are then merged with imaginary.

### SYNOPSIS

Taking seriously four criminal tales, more or less famous, that made recent western Swiss history. Family dramas, serial killers, sectarian aberration, police brutality. So much cases that feed our imagination, that make reality legendary.

DIRECTORS Ursula Meier, Lionel Baier, Jean-Stéphane Bron, Frédéric Mermoud • WRITERS Julien Bouissoux, Antoine Jaccoud, Alice Winocour, Laurent Larivière, François Decodts, Ursula Meier, Lionel Baier, Jean-Stéphane Bron, Frédéric Mermoud • PRODUCER Bande à part • CAST Fanny Ardant, Kacey Mottet-Klein, Maxime Gorbatchevsky • LANGUAGE French

**Shock waves** is a collection of four films made for TV by four renowned Swiss directors.

# collection criminal case tales psychology



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