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## SCREENING SCHEDULE

#### OFFICIAL SELECTION

## THE LIGHT

WED	Feb. 12	12:00 PM	CinemaxX 4	<b>BUYERS ONLY</b>
WED	Feb. 12	07:30 PM	CinemaxX 1-4	PRESS & INDUSTRY
WED	Feb. 12	09:00 PM	CinemaxX 5-10	PRESS & INDUSTRY
THU	Feb. 13	11:30 AM	Stage Bluemax Theater	PRESS & INDUSTRY
THU	Feb. 13	07:00 PM	Berlinale Palast	<b>WORLD PREMIERE</b>
FRI	Feb. 14	10:40 AM	Virtual Cinema 4	VIRTUAL SCREENING
FRI	Feb. 14	04:20 PM	CinemaxX 4	MARKET SCREENING
FRI	Feb. 14	06:00 PM	Uber Eats Music Hall	FESTIVAL SCREENING
SAT	Feb. 15	10:00 AM	$\operatorname{HKW} 1$ Miriam Makeba Auditorium	FESTIVAL SCREENING
SAT	Feb. 15	01:30 PM	Virtual Cinema 6	VIRTUAL SCREENING

#### CICADAS

<b>THU</b> Feb. 13 <b>12</b>	2:10 PM CinemaxX 5	MARKET SCREENING
FRI Feb. 14 02	2:30 PM Virtual Cine	ema 1 VIRTUAL SCREENING
<b>SAT</b> Feb. 15 <b>12</b>	2:00 PM Virtual Cine	ema 1 VIRTUAL SCREENING
<b>SAT</b> Feb. 15 <b>12</b>	2:30 PM CinemaxX 7	MARKET SCREENING
<b>SAT</b> Feb. 15 <b>03</b>	3:30 PM Zoo Palast 1	WORLD PREMIERE
<b>SUN</b> Feb. 16 <b>0</b> 9	<b>9:15 PM</b> Cubix 9	FESTIVAL SCREENING
MON Feb. 17 10	):30 AM Haus der Be	erliner Festspiele FESTIVAL SCREENING
FRI Feb. 21 06	6:30 PM Zoo Palast 1	FESTIVAL SCREENING

#### MARKET PREMIERE

#### LONG STORY SHORT

WED	Feb. 12	03:15 PM	CinemaxX 9	MARKET SCREENING
WED	Feb. 12	06:00 PM	Virtual Cinema 1	VIRTUAL SCREENING
THU	Feb. 13	01:00 PM	Virtual Cinema 1	VIRTUAL SCREENING
SAT	Feb 15	09:05 AM	CinemaxX 13	MARKET SCREENING

#### MARKET SCREENING

## WILLIAM TELL

SUN	Feb. 16	10:50 AM	CinemaxX 12	MARKET SCREENING
SUN	Feb. 16	03:30 PM	Virtual Cinema 7	<b>VIRTUAL SCREENING</b>

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#### OPENING FILM



## THE LIGHT

#### THE STORY

The Engels family, based in the bustling heart of Berlin, is a tumultuous and fractured unit consisting of parents Milena and Tim, both in their late forties, 17-year-old twins Frieda and Jon, and 8-year-old Dio. Each of them is struggling with their own personal chaos after losing the common bond that once held them together as a family. When Syrian immigrant Farrah enters their lives as a housekeeper, she unexpectedly sets the disparate family on a new track. Quickly, each family member forms a profound and enigmatic connection with Farrah, falling individually for her focused yet mysterious persona. The Engels gradually unveil their past wounds and fractures to Farrah and they start to reconnect with each other after years of estrangement. But ultimately, they understand that Farrah has been seeking their family for a long time and is now leading them on a journey into the unknown.

#### REQUEST TRAILER

**DRAMA** German / 162 min / completed

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{ORIGINALTITLE} & \operatorname{Das} \operatorname{Licht} \end{array}$ 

DIRECTOR Tom Tykwer Run Lola Run, Perfume: The Story of a Murderer, Cloud Atlas, Babylon Berlin

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{SCREENPLAY} & Tom\ Tykwer \\ \end{tabular}$ 

**DOP** Christian Almesberger Cloud Atlas, The Empress

CAST Lars Eidinger Dying, Persian Lessons Nicolette Krebitz AEIOU, Wild

Tala al Deen A Thin Line

**PRODUCER** Uwe Schott

**PRODUCED BY** X Filme Creative Pool in co-production

with Gold Rush Pictures, Gretchenfilm,

B.A. Filmproduktion and ZDF

TERRITORIES World excluding German-speaking territories,

AVAILABLE North America, France, Italy, Benelux, Greece

North America, France, Italy, Benelux, Greece, Czech Republic, Slovakia, former Yugoslavia,

Albania, Hungary & Romania.

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#### THE DIRECTOR

Tom Tykwer is one of Germany's most respected film directors. After his breakout hit *Run Lola Run* (1998) he directed *Heaven* (2002), *Perfume: The Story of a Murderer* (2006), and *The International* (2009), starring Clive Owen, Naomi Watts and Armin Mueller-Stahl among others. He collaborated with The Wachowskis as co-director for *Cloud Atlas* (2012) with Tom Hanks and the Netflix series *Sense* 8 (2015–2018) and worked as a composer on the score for Lana Wachowski's *The Matrix Resurrections* (2021). He also is the co-creator of the internationally acclaimed German television series *Babylon Berlin* (since 2017).

#### DIRECTOR'S NOTE

After nearly a decade which I've spent with *Babylon Berlin*, I can finally return to the present day with a story that speaks from my heart. A profoundly dysfunctional family is saved by a mysterious intruder. But she is asking for an unexpected favour in return.

The Light aims to be an intense, sweeping, humorous, thoughtful and aesthetically challenging film experience. We're portraying people of today and we're confronting them with the intensity of our present age. The characters argue, struggle and fight with each other, but they also laugh, sing and dance. Which represents the spectrum of the show. It's about us, it's about our madness and beauty. So I've tried to make a mad, beautiful film.

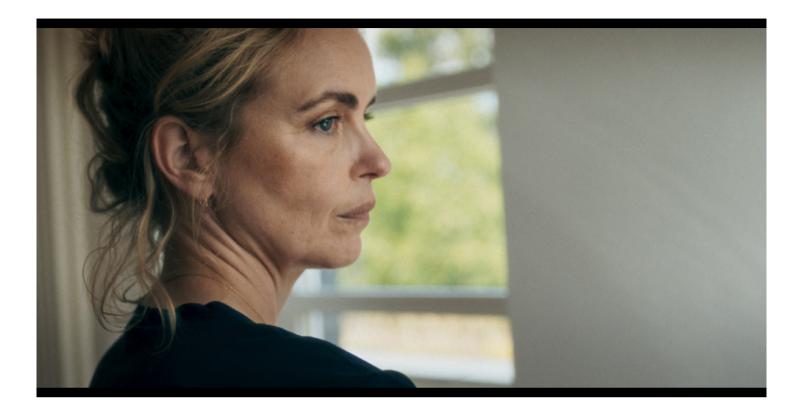
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## **CICADAS**

#### THE STORY

Isabell's life takes a turn when it becomes apparent that her aging parents can no longer live independently. While searching for care staff and navigating her complicated marriage with Philippe, she shuttles between Berlin and her parents' weekend house—a striking modernist home her father built in his better days. There, Isabell repeatedly encounters the enigmatic Anja, a single mother struggling to make ends meet. As Anja and her young daughter, Greta, weave themselves into Isabell's life, an unexpected bond begins to form. Yet Isabell feels increasingly uncertain about the life she thought she knew. As the lines blur, Isabell's sense of control falters, and she starts to feel the ground shifting beneath her:

**DRAMA** German, French / 100 min / completed

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{ORIGINALTITLE} & Zikaden \\ \end{tabular}$ 

**DIRECTOR** Ina Weisse *The Audition, The Architect* 

SCREENPLAY Ina Weisse

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{DOP} & Judith Kaufmann $\it The Teacher's Lounge, Corsage \\ \end{tabular}$ 

CAST Nina Hoss Yella, Barbara, Tár

Saskia Rosendahl *Lore, Never Look Away* Vincent Macaigne *The Innocents, Maria*,

Irma Vep

**PRODUCERS** Felix von Boehm, Katrin Jochimsen

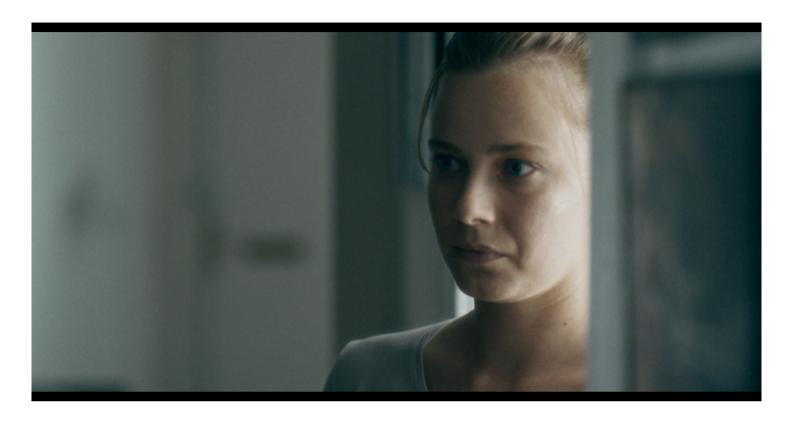
**PRODUCED BY** Lupa Film in co-production with 10:15!

Productions, ZDF and arte

TERRITORIES Available World excluding German-speaking territories.

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SAT Feb. 15 03:30 PM Zoo Palast 1 WORLD PREMIERE
SUN Feb. 16 09:15 PM Cubix 9 FESTIVAL SCREENING
MON Feb. 17 10:30 AM Haus der Berliner Festspiele
FRI Feb. 21 06:30 PM Zoo Palast 1 FESTIVAL SCREENING
FRI Feb. 21 706:30 PM Zoo Palast 1

#### THE DIRECTOR

Born in Berlin, Ina Weisse is an accomplished actress, screenwriter, and director whose career spans more than three decades across theatre, television, and film. Trained at the Otto Falckenberg School in Munich, Weisse's versatility and dedication have earned her numerous national and international awards. Weisse studied philosophy in Heidelberg before honing her craft as a director at the University of Hamburg. It was there she made her first major mark with Alles Anders, a short film that garnered the First Steps Award in 2002. Her feature film debut, The Architect (2008), starring Josef Bierbichler, showcased her keen storytelling ability and won the Max Ophüls Award for Best Screenplay, among other distinctions. In 2017, Weisse turned her discerning eve to documentary filmmaking, delivering an acclaimed portrait of Berlin's iconic building, The Neue National galerie. Her gripping psychological drama The Audition premiered to great acclaim at the Toronto Film Festival in 2019 and went on to screen at numerous film festivals worldwide. The film's searing intensity and layered performances drew widespread praise, with Nina Hoss earning Best Actress accolades at both the San Sebastián and Stockholm film festivals.

#### **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

What intrigues me are the nuances in how the two women approach each other—watching, retreating, eyeing each other with suspicion, then slowly drawing closer again. It's about their mutual unmasking across social barriers and also about the broader question of what happens to people as they get increasingly older. How do their children care for them without giving up their own lives?



#### MARKET PREMIERE



## **LONG STORY SHORT**

#### THE STORY

Ten friends, three years, seven parties: When Ellen attends her best friends' New Year's Eve party in 2019, she's keeping a secret. She is having an affair with Sebastian, whom she believes to be her great love. However, he is married to Eva and naturally wants to keep it under wraps. There's a spark between Rolf and Dina. There's tension between Mareike and Adam. Maya longs for children, and Natalie can't make up her mind. Then Max shows up. He would love Ellen if only she would let him. Years pass, and parties are celebrated as they come. There is love, arguments, laughter, and weddings. Children are born, people find each other while others separate. Finally, fate serves as a reminder: Life must be lived intensely, with the best of friends and ideally in every single moment!

**COMEDY** German / 107 min / completed

 $\label{eq:original fitte} \textbf{ORIGINAL TITLE} \qquad \text{Feste und Freunde} - Ein \ Hoch \ auf \ uns!$ 

**DIRECTOR** David Dietl Rate Your Date, Funeral of a Dog

SCREENPLAY Elena Senft Kleo

CAST Laura Tonke, Jasmin Shakeri, Annette Frier,

Nicholas Ofczarek, Henning Flüsloh,

Trystan Pütter, Ronald Zehrfeld

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**PRODUCED BY** Wiedemann & Berg Film

**TERRITORIES** World excluding German-speaking territories.

AVAILABLE

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 CinemaxX 13
 MARKET SCREENING

#### THE DIRECTOR

David Dietl studied directing at the dffb (Deutsche Film und Fernsehakademie Berlin). His graduation project, König von Deutschland (2013), marked his feature film debut as both writer and director. In 2016, he directed the TV movie Ella's Baby, the first collaboration with screenwriter Elena Senft. He then turned his attention to Berlin's most legendary bouncers in the documentary film Berlin Bouncer, which celebrated its world premiere at the 2019 Berlin International Film Festival. In 2019, his comedy Rate Your Date was released in German cinemas. It was followed by the Sky series Funeral for a Dog, which he directed together with Barbara Albert, and the fictional series about FC Bayern, Good Friends – The Rise of FC Bayern. Long Story Short celebrated its World Premiere as the Opening Film of the Tallinn Film Festival in 2024.

#### DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Long Story Short is a film about life, love, friendship, and how we handle them. How well do we really know each other after all the years, and how easily do we lose touch, even though we've been friends for so long? How difficult is it to confide in each other and to trust one another? The story deals with the disappointments we suffer and the expectations we carry. It's also about continuing to hope for true love, not letting broken relationships take away our idealism or hope. Told over the course of seven partys and three years the film has a unique dramatic structure using one of the most important and exciting cinematic techniques: elliptical storytelling! The film is as funny and tragic as life itself.

#### REQUEST TRAILER

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# OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

Inspired by true events, this is the story of the biggest tax fraud in European history – and how two women fought to put an end to it. From the producers of *Babylon Berlin* and the BAFTA and International Emmy-awarded *Millenium* trilogy.

BY JAN SCHOMBURG



REQUEST TRAILER

#### THE STORY

Pay a tax, get it refunded twice, and claim it's legal: that's a Cum-Ex deal. Young lawyer Sven Lebert and his boss Dr. Bernd Hausner expand this scheme to private investors, developing a global network of banks, lawyers, and investors that steal billions from European citizens. In Denmark, tax officials Inger Brøgger and Niels Jensen watch helplessly as state funds vani with little support from bankers or politicians. When Niels faces financial struggles and personal pressures, he loses his moral compass and joins the scheme. In Germany, District Attorney Lena Birkwald uncovers the massive fraud and faces fierce resistance from ban and politicians. Determined to prevent the usual outcome—where minor players are caught while the masterminds walk free—she fights tirelessly to bring those truly responsible to justice.

**SERIES** | **DRAMA** German, Danish, English / 8 x one hour

**ORIGINAL TITLE** Die Affäre Cum-Ex

**SHOWRUNNER** Jan Schomburg *I'm Your Man* 

DIRECTORS Dustin Loose Divided we Stand

Kaspar Munk The Rain, Kamikaze

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} {\bf SCREENPLAY} & Jan Schomburg, Astrid {\it Øye}, Pål Sletaune \\ \end{tabular}$ 

CAST Justus von Dohnanyi Downfall

Niels Strunk

Lisa Wagner  $\mathit{From}$   $\mathit{Hilde}$   $\mathit{with}$   $\mathit{Love},$   $\mathit{The}$   $\mathit{Pool}$ 

Fabian Hinrichs Sophie Scholl

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{PRODUCED BY} & X \ Filme \ Creative \ Pool \ and \ True \ Content \end{tabular}$ 

Entertainment in co-production with EPO-Film, ZDF and DR and with NRK, SVT, RUV, YLE, NPO, VRT. Co-funded by Fisa+, GMPF, the European Union, Medienboard Berlin-Brandenburg and Croatian Audiovisual Center

TERRITORIES AVAILABLE World excluding German speaking territories,

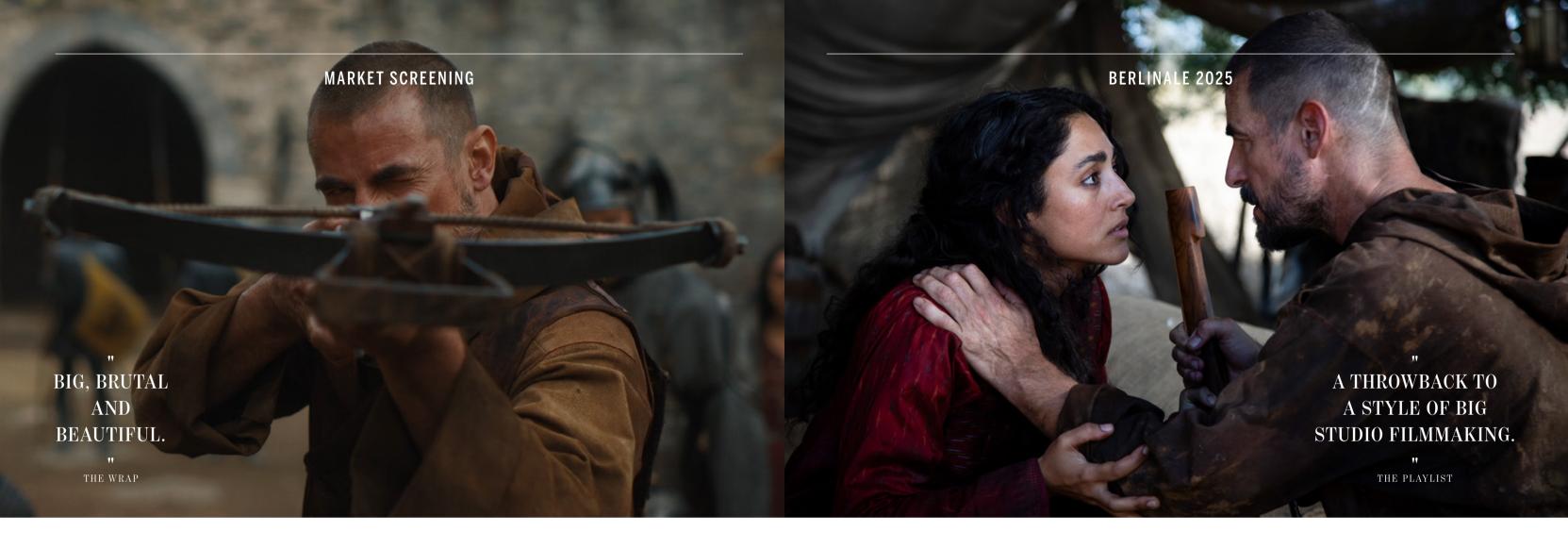
Scandinavia and the Benelux.

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## WILLIAM TELL

The world-famous legend of the inspiring crossbow-warrior turned into a big budget epic by BAFTA-award winner Nick Hamm, starring a top-notch international cast led by Claes Bang and Golshifteh Farahani.

BY NICK HAMM





WATCH TRAILER

**SUN** Feb. 16 **10:50 AM** CinemaxX 12

MARKET SCREENING SUN Feb. 16 03:30 PM Virtual Cinema 7 VIRTUAL SCREENING

#### THE STORY

In 1307, the Holy Roman Empire faces upheaval as its hold on Europe weakens. The Austrian Habsburgs seize the opportunity to expand, subjugating Switzerland. Amid this chaos, huntsman William Tell crosses paths with a farmer fleeing after killing a tyrannical Austrian governor. Reluctantly agreeing to help, Tell becomes entangled in the growing Swiss resistance. The conflict intensifies when Austrian Vicerov Gessler forces Tell to shoot an apple from his son's head for defying authority. Threatened and cornered, Tell has no choice but to fight. What begins as a reluctant act of defiance turns into leadership, as Tell rises to spearhead the Swiss resistance against Austrian oppression, igniting a fight for freedom that will change history.

#### THE DIRECTOR

Nick Hamm is a BAFTA award-winning director and producer who began his career as resident director for the Royal Shakespeare Company. He has directed highly successful feature films for Miramax, Film 4, Pathé and Lionsgate. His track records include Driven, which was selected as the closing film at the Venice Film Festival 2018 and released by Universal, Gigi & Nate (2022), the Netflix series White Lines (2020) and The Journey, starring Timothy Spall and Colm Meaney and which premiered at the Venice and Toronto Film Festivals in 2016.

**EPIC** English / 133 min / completed

**PRODUCERS** 

Nick Hamm The Journey, Driven, Gigi & Nate

SCREENPLAY Nick Hamm based on the play by Friedrich Schiller

Jamie Ramsay Living, All Of Us Strangers DOP

CAST Claes Bang The Square, Dracula

Golshifteh Farahani Paterson, Extraction II, Invasion Connor Swindells Barbie, Sex Education, Emma Ellie Bamber Moss & Freud, Nocturnal Animals Jonah Hauer-King The Little Mermaid Rafe Spall Life of Pi, Jurassic World Emily Beecham The Interpreter, Little Joe Amar Chadha-Patel The Decameron, Willow, Slip Academy Award nom. Jonathan Pryce The Two Popes

Academy Award winner Ben Kingsley Gandhi Piers Tempest, Marie-Christine Jaeger-Firmenich

PRODUCED BY Free Turn Films, Tempo Productions

TERRITORIES World excluding German-speaking territories, NA, AVAILABLE France, Scandinavia, Benelux, Italy, Spain, UK / IRE, Portugal, MENAT, Greece, Ukraine, Poland,

> Czech Rep, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, former Yugoslavia, Australia / NZ and Inflight.

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## **DIAMOND SHITTER**

A bold, fast-paced thriller crafted for a broad, genre-savvy audience. Starring Raffey Cassidy, Eva Green and Ben Whishaw.

#### BY ANTONIA CAMPBELL-HUGHES

#### THE STORY

Twenty-two year old Nollaig has secured an internship at the UN in Geneva with the help of her well-connected uncle Nigel, staying with the elegantly-pressed and affluent Helen and David Wilcox and their two young children. The Wilcox world is a masquerade of opulent wealth and privilege, and Nollaig quickly tips the dynamic in the house, with Helen becoming particularly drawn to her new guest. Nollaig's own fascination takes a turn as she begins to steal diamonds from the family – using techniques learnt from Nigel – swallowing the jewels whole. Mineral and flesh, absorbing the very nutrient of their wealth, Nollaig's actions begin to strip the Wilcox family back to their true selves.

**DRAMA** | **THRILLER** English / in pre-production

ORIGINAL TITLE Diamond Shitter

**TERRITORIES** 

**DIRECTOR** Antonia Campbell-Hughes It Is In Us All

SCREENPLAY Antonia Campbell-Hughes

**CAST** Raffey Cassidy *The Brutalist*,

The Killing of a Sacred Deer Eva Green Casino Royale, Proxima

Ben Whishaw Skyfall, The Lobster, Black Doves

Alessandro Nivola *The Brutalist, American Hustle* 

Antonia Campbell-Hughes 3096 Days, Bright Star, The Other Side of Sleep

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{PRODUCERS} & \quad & \text{Rory Gilmartin } \textit{Herself, Calm With Horses} \end{array}$ 

Lee Magiday  $\ \mathit{The Favourite}, \ \mathit{The Lobster}$ 

**PRODUCED BY** Sleeper Films in co-production with Smoke

Puppy and Rita Productions

**AVAILABLE** World excluding North America and Switzerland.

REQUEST SCRIPT

REQUEST SIZZLE



## **AMRUM**

Set in the final weeks of World War II on the secluded island Amrum, a 12-year-old boy unravels his family's secret in this deeply poignant new film by one of Germany's leading directors, reuniting Fatih Akin with Diane Krüger.

#### BY FATIH AKIN

#### THE STORY

Amrum Island, spring 1945: In the waning days of WWII, 12-year-old Nanning fearlessly braves the treacherous seas for seal hunting, goes fishing at night, and tirelessly tends to the fields at the nearby Bendixen farm to help his mother feed the family. With his father absent, Nanning relies on his unwavering friendship with Hermann for support in times of need. Yet, as the long-awaited peace descends, unforeseen challenges emerge, compelling Nanning to chart his own course through the turbulent waters of post-war life.

#### DRAMA German / in post-production

ORIGINAL TITLE Amrum

DIRECTOR Fatih Akin Head-On. In The Fade

**SCREENPLAY** Hark Bohm, Fatih Akin

CAST Jasper Billerbeck

Kian Köppke

Lisa Hagmeister  $System\ Crasher$ Laura Tonke The People vs. Fritz Bauer Mathias Schweighöfer Army of the Dead Diane Kruger Inglourious Basterds, In The Fade

**PRODUCER** Fatih Akin

PRODUCED BY bombero international and Warner Bros. Film

Productions Germany in co-production with

Rialto Film

**TERRITORIES** World excluding German-speaking territories,

**AVAILABLE** Benelux, Greece and former Yugoslavia.

REQUEST SCRIPT



## **LET IT RAIN**

There are no miracles... or are there? Two-time Oscar-nominated director Hannes Holm (A Man Called Ove) joins forces with the star of the global box-office hit *The 100-Year-Old Man*, to bring a deeply emotional and universal story to life.

#### BY HANNES HOLM

#### THE STORY

In the heart of a quaint Småland village, the grumpy Ingmar lives a strictly regimented life. Ever since his wife Inger passed away a few years ago, his relationship with his daughter has deteriorated. The only things left in his life are his annoying, divorced neighbour and his late wife's roses, the only thing he still cares to nurture.

As the hottest and driest summer in living memory drags on, everyone waits for rain that never seems to come. But through what might be a miracle or sheer coincidence, Ingmar finds himself thrust into the spotlight of an event that will change not only his life but the entire village's fate perhaps even the world.

#### **COMEDY** Swedish / in post-production

ORIGINAL TITLE Regnmannen

DOP

DIRECTOR Hannes Holm A Man Called Ove. Adam and Eve

**SCREENPLAY** Hannes Holm & Jonas Karlsson

in collaboration with Robert Gustafsson

John Christian Rosenlund The Wave, The King's Choice, Hammarskjöld

**CAST** Robert Gustafsson The 100-Year-Old Man

> Jonas Karlsson The Snowman Karin Lithman The Bridge

**PRODUCER** Patrick Ryborn Hammarskjöld

PRODUCED BY Unlimited Stories in co-production with Nordisk Film,

> SVT, Nouvago Capital, Film i Skåne, Film i Väst, Svenska Hannes, Jonas Osthyvel and RG Production

**TERRITORIES** World excluding German-speaking territories, **AVAILABLE** Scandinavia, Israel, former Yugoslavia and Benelux.

REQUEST SCRIPT

**REQUEST PROMO** 



## **500 MILES**

Bill Nighy, Maisie Williams and *Jojo Rabbit's* Roman Griffin Davis star in BAFTA-award winner Morgan Matthews' warm-hearted, hilarious and touching adventure, reminiscent of *Billy Elliot* or *About A Boy*.

#### BY MORGAN MATTHEWS

#### THE STORY

At the crack of dawn, Finn and his younger brother Charlie run away from home, to avoid getting split up by their separating parents. They're trying to reach the wild west coast of Ireland. Home of their beloved and eccentric grandad, John, who they haven't been allowed to see since all the fighting began. On their 500-mile journey across land and see, they must survive on their smarts, charm and the kindness of strangers – especially a free-spirited street musician, Kait, who is escaping troubles of her own.

**DRAMA** English / in post-production

**ORIGINAL TITLE** 500 Miles

SCREENPLAY Malcolm Campbell What Richard Did, Herself

Based on "Charlie and Me" by Mark Lowery

**CAST** Bill Nighy *Living, Love Actually* 

Roman Griffin Davis Jojo Rabbit Maisie Williams Game of Thrones

Dexter Sol Ansell A Knight of the Seven Kingdoms

Clare Dunne Herself, Kin

Michael Socha Showtrail, This is England

PRODUCERS David Thompson, Alex Gordon, Martina Niland

**PRODUCED BY** Origin Pictures, Port Pictures and Minnow Films

TERRITORIES World excluding UK, Ireland, Australia, New AVAILABLE Zealand, Benelux, Italy, Spain, Greece, former

Yugoslavia, Poland, Albania, Middle East & Inflight.

**REQUEST SIZZLE** 

REQUEST SCRIPT



## THE PHYSICIAN II

The long-awaited sequel to the international box office hit. A sweeping historical epic about love, loss, world religions and medicine — this time investigating the groundbreaking exploration of early mental health.

#### BY PHILIPP STÖLZL

#### THE STORY

Isfahan, 1034. Rob Cole, his radiant wife Rebecca and their newborn child, find themselves forced to flee alongside several Madrassa students. Tragically, Rebecca perishes during a shipwreck, leaving Rob haunted by nightmares and responsible for caring for their baby boy. Upon arrival, Rob discovers that Muslims and Jews are barred from entering the city of London, let alone being admitted to the physicians' association. Undeterred by these obstacles, Rob and his companions establish a makeshift hospital outside the gates of London. When summoned by the king to attend to his daughter, Ilene, Rob's exceptional medical skills earn her trust, enabling him to alleviate her psychological afflictions. However, as he becomes entangled in the power struggles and political intrigue of the royal household, Rob must rely on his medical gift and innate cunning to survive in an England teetering on the brink of collapse.

**REQUEST SCRIPT** 

**REQUEST PROMO** 

#### **DRAMA** English / in post-production

ORIGINAL TITLE Der Medicus II

**DIRECTOR** Philipp Stölzl *The Physician, North Face* 

SCREENPLAY Stewart Harcourt Maigret, A Gentleman in Moscow

CAST Tom Payne Horizon, The Physician, Prodigal Son

Emily Cox The Last Kingdom: Seven Kings Must Die Aidan Gillen Game of Thrones, Maze Runner Liam Cunningham, Game of Thrones, Hunger

 ${\bf Liam\ Cunningham\ } \textit{Game\ of\ Thrones,\ Hunger}$ 

**PRODUCERS** Wolf Bauer, Philipp Stölzl, Michael Souvigner and

Till Derenbach

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{PRODUCED BY} & A Wolf \ Bauer \ / \ Philipp \ St\"{o}lzl \ production, produced \end{tabular}$ 

by Zeitsprung Pictures GmbH and UFA Fiction.

TERRITORIES World excluding German-speaking territories,
AVAILABLE Spain, Portugal, Czech Republic, Slovakia, former

Yugoslavia, Ukraine and Poland.



## THE OFFING

Adapted from a world-best selling novel, this powerful ode to friendship stars one of the world's most beloved actresses in the lead. Emmy Award-winning director Jessica Hobbs (*The Crown, The Regime*) directs.

#### BY JESSICA HOBBS

#### THE STORY

A blazing summer in post-war England. Robert is 16, the shy, nature loving son of a miner. Before he follows his father down the pit, he sets out to explore the countryside and see a little more of the world. He gets as far as Dulcie, a hard drinking, foul-mouthed, bohemian recluse several times his age. Under her eccentric tutelage, his life opens up to rich food, poetry, girls and the possibility that there may be more to living than duty and mining. But while Dulcie's cottage and garden by the sea are idyllic, this place holds a tragic secret about Dulcie's great love. When Robert discovers the truth, his brave and tender friendship compels Dulcie to open her own heart and re-engage with the world. Their encounter is a riotous clash of experience, personality and perspective which will leave them both forever changed.

**DRAMA** English / in pre-production

**ORIGINAL TITLE** The Offing

**SCREENPLAY** Amy Roberts

based on the novel by Benjamin Myers

**CAST** Helena Bonham-Carter

The King's Speech, Alice in Wonderland, Harry Potter Franchise, The Crown

**PRODUCERS** Charlotte Walls, Emily Barttelot

PRODUCED BY Catalyst Global Media

TERRITORIES World excluding UK, Ireland, Benelux,
AVAILABLE Australia, New Zealand, Spain, Switzerland,

Portugal, former Yugoslavia, Italy, Middle East

and Inflight.

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## THE NOISE OF TIME

Two-time Academy Award-winning Christopher Hampton adapts Julian Barnes' masterpiece on D. Shostakovich into a riveting neo-noir thriller that is strikingly relevant today. Academy Award-nominee Jan Komasa directs.

#### BY JAN KOMASA

#### THE STORY

Moscow, 1936. At the age of 29, Dmitri Shostakovich ranks among the Soviet Union's most eminent composers. His works are performed the world over. But Stalin's Great Purge has been set in motion. Shostakovich's opera 'Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk' is disapproved by Stalin and the artist denounced by the communist party's publication 'Pravda'. While he is expecting his arrest and execution on a nightly basis, his only defenses are the staunch support of his wife Nita, his faithful friends and his own brand of deadpan gallows humour. And though he's saved from becoming another victim of the Great Terror, he will be firmly under the thumb of despotism: He is forced to represent Soviet values at a cultural conference in New York City, he is forced to join the Party, and he is forced to constantly weigh appeasement of those in power against the integrity of his music. When ultimately, his 'Fourth Symphony' is allowed to premiere, it's a triumph. And after years of absurd confusion, confrontation and concession, Shostakovich prevails: "Art is the whisper of history, heard above the noise of time."

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**DRAMA** English / in pre-production

ORIGINAL TITLE The Noise of Time

DIRECTOR Jan Komasa Corpus Christi, Warsaw '44,

The Hater

**SCREENPLAY** Christopher Hampton *Dangerous Liaisions*,

The Father

Based on the novel by Julian Barnes

CAST August Diehl Disappearance, A Hidden LIfe

Andrea Riseborough To Leslie, Amsterdam

**PRODUCERS** Thomas Kufus, Leszek Bodzak, Aneta

Hickinbotham, Finola Dwyer and Amanda

Posey

**PRODUCED BY** zero one film and Aurum Film in coproduction

with Wildgaze Films

**TERRITORIES** World excluding German speaking territories,

AVAILABLE Italy, Spain, Portugal and Benelux.



## THE REMNANTS OF YOU

Jazz pianist Sara returns home after her father's death to run the family sheep ranch. A powerful theatrical debut full of music, rural life and rediscovering roots.

#### BY GALA GRACIA

#### THE STORY

Sara (25) should be preparing for her first jazz concert in New York, where she has lived for four years. Instead, she returns to her hometown in the Pyrenees, Huesca, Spain, after her father Julio (55) dies suddenly. She and her sister Elena (27), who works in livestock farming, inherit a farm and a flock of ecological sheep. While handling inheritance paperwork, Sara is burdened by grief and guilt. She finds solace in visiting her grandfather Mauro (87) in a nursing home, maintaining the comforting lie that Julio is still alive. When Elena wants to sell the flock, Sara opposes and cancels her concert to keep her father's legacy alive. She connects with Tina (46), a vet and Julio's girlfriend, and becomes involved in ecological farming. Despite her hard work, Sara feels the emptiness of a life she didn't choose. She realizes she must forgive herself, accept the present without her father, and reclaim her own path.

**DRAMA** Spanish / in post-production

ORIGINALTITLE Lo que queda de ti

DIRECTOR Gala Gracia

SCREENPLAY Gala Gracia

**CAST** Laia Manzanares *Estoy vivo*,

La Tierra Llamando a Ana

Ángela Cervantes Motherhood, Valenciana

Rui de Carvalho Anna Tenta

PRODUCER Carlo D'Ursi The Quiet Maid

PRODUCED BY Potenza Producciones in co-production

with Bastian Films, Sajama Films, Garbo Produzioni, Fado Filmes

TERRITORIES AVAILABLE World excluding Spain and Portugal.  $\,$ 

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