

LINE-UP | AFM 2020





Dear friends and colleagues,

We are pleased to share our AFM 2020 line-up with you and are looking forward to meeting you virtually on Zoom and Teams.

We will present an initial teaser trailer of our latest acquisition

THE SCHOOL OF MAGICAL ANIMALS. It is the adaption of the most successful children's and young people's book series in German-speaking-countries, which has been published in more than 20 languages.

Please find more information below about our upcoming projects as well as the current line-up.

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Duration: 115 min Cast: Lars Eidinger, Devid Striesow, Luise Heyer Version: German (OV), English ST County: Germany

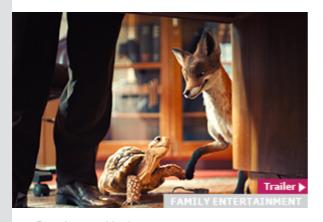
Delivery: February 2021

THE LAST EXECUTION

a film by Franziska Stünkel

1981: It was the last execution in the history of former East Germany. The story refers to the real-life character of an economist who had been recruited by the Stasi as an undercover informant and is accused of espionage.

Lars Eidinger ("Persian Lessons", "Never Look Away") stars as the main character, with Devid Striesow ("The Counterfeiters") as one of his colleagues. In order to render the historical atmosphere as realistically as possible, the film has been shot at several original locations, such as the former buildings of the State Security.



Duration: ca. 90 min Version: German (OV), English ST Country: Germany

THE SCHOOL OF MAGICAL ANIMALS

a film by Gregor Schnitzler

The adventure about an unusual school where the children receive a magical animal as a companion centres on the new girl Ida, who goes from being an outsider to the star student thanks to her magical animal, the talking fox Rabbat.

Translated into over 20 languages, THE SCHOOL OF MAGICAL ANIMALS is one of the most successful children's and young people's book series. The charming live-action film with CGI animated animals is based on Margit Auer's wonderful novels. The unique, talking magical animals make the dream of every child come true.

Delivery: February 2021



Duration: ca 100 min Cast: August Diehl, Sylvia Hoeks, Nikolai Kinski Version: English (OV), German ST Country: Germany/Israel

PLAN A a film by Yoav and Doron Paz

Based on a true story. In 1945, a group of Jewish holocaust survivors planned to poison the water system in Germany, killing back 6 million Germans. The film tells the dangerous and bold secret operation that was called Plan A.

"A Hidden Life" actor August Diehl stars on the side of "Blade Runner 2049"'s Sylvia Hoeks in the post-World War II drama PLAN A. The German-Israeli coproduction addresses profound questions about justice, revenge and morality, dealing with the primal feelings of human nature after surviving unimaginable cruelties.

Delivery: February 2021



Duration: 85 min Cast: Daniela Ramíres, Cristián Carvajal, Gastón Salgado Version: Spanish (OV), English ST Country: Chile

Delivery: November 2020



Duration: ca 85 min Version: English (OV) Country: Germany, UK, Ireland

Delivery: Mid 2022

KILL PINOCHET (aka THE RIFLEMEN)

a film by Juan Ignacio Sabatini

While Chile lived one of the cruelest dictatorships under Augusto Pinochet, only a some daring few considered the impossible: to kill the tyrant. Physical education teacher Ramiro, psychologist Tamara, and Sasha, born in the slum, schedule their armed attack for a Sunday afternoon in 1986...

Based on the true story of a failed attack launched by an armed wing of the Chilean Communist Party, Juan Ignacio Sabatini delivers a stunning burning and character-driven political thriller.

THE AMAZING MAURICE a film by Toby Genkel

Maurice, a streetwise tomcat, has come up with the perfect money-making scam. Inspired by the Grimm Brothers' fairytale about the Pied Piper of Hamelin.

This incredibly lively, unique and entertaining animated feature film is based on one of Sir Terry Pratchett's highly popular "Discworld" novels that have sold more than 90 million books worldwide. Oscar-nominated Terry Rossio ("Shrek," "Aladdin,") has penned the screenplay. Carter Goodrich ("Ratatouille", "Despicable Me") is onboard for the character design and Toby Genkel ("Ooops! Noah is Gone...") as director.



Duration: ca 80 min Version: English (OV) Country: Germany

Delivery: Beginning of 2022

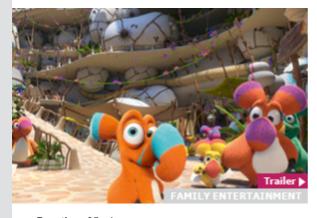
THE JOURNEY OF THE ELEPHANT SOLIMAN

a film by Sandor Jesse and Gianluca Bellomo

Calicut, India, 1548. In a thrilling adventure, a shy spice-merchant's son, a wise Indian elephant and a spunky Austrian princess team up to escape the clutches of a possessive prince. During their amazing journey from India to Europe and back again, they have to face their fears and ultimately become best friends...

What better way to travel across the Spanish desert, the Alps and halfway around the world than on a 5ton elephant? Join the three adventurers in this heartwarming and entertaining 3D animation. Family Entertainment at its best!

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Duration: 85 min Version: English (OV) also available: German dub, French dub, Spanish dub Country: Germany, Ireland

OOOPS! THE ADVENTURE CONTINUES...(3D) (AKA TWO BY TWO OVERBOARD)

a film by Toby Genkel and Sean McCormack

No. 1 at the UK box office!

The young Nestrian Finny and his best mate Leah, a Grymp, accidentally fall out of the ark and are swept out to sea. While Finny finds a whole colony of Nestrians under water, Leah lands on a beautiful island. If only the newfound land wouldn't shake that regularly and smoke from the mountain top...

A hilariously thrilling 3D-animated movie following the international box office hit "Ooops! Noah is gone…" (28M USD). Our familiar little heroes race through a heart-stopping adventure, filled with spirited chases and laugh-out-loud slapstick moments.



Duration: 90 min Cast: Emilia, Casper, Leander, Meriam Abbas, Heino Ferch, Max Riemelt Version: German (OV), English ST Country: Germany

THE PEPPERCORNS AND THE SECRET OF THE DEEP SEA

a film by Christian Theede

An unbeatable team of five teenage friends, the Peppercorns, unites to find out who is behind the kidnapping of a missing oceanographer who has discovered a means of getting rid of plastic waste in the ocean.

The pacy, live-action adventure was shot in the beautiful, lush landscapes of Northern Ireland and the Baltic coast. Christian Theede directs the rousing family entertainment film, full of humour and gripping twists and turns. The film will be distributed in Germany by Wild Bunch who is planning a theatrical release in February 2021.



Duration: 106 min Cast: Sebastian Bezzel, Anna Maria Mühe, Justus von Dohnányi, Jana Pallaske, Johann von Bülow Version: German (OV), English ST also available: English dub, French dub Country: Germany

LASSIE COME HOME

a film by Hanno Olderdissen

Flo's best friend is his Collie Lassie. When his family is forced to give the dog away, Flo is heartbroken. But Lassie isn't easily separated from Flo and embarks on an adventurous journey across Germany, a journey back to her beloved friend Flo.

Lassie, the most famous dog in film history, is back on cinema screens. The heartwarming story of the inseparable friendship between a boy and his Collie dog is based on the well-known original novel by Eric Knight. Warner Bros. co-produced and released the film theatrically in Germany.



Duration: 103 min Cast: Amir Tessler, Hila Natanzon, Arie Tcherner, Riki Blich, Nathan Ravitz, Dor Harari, Uri Blufarb Version: Hebrev (OV), English ST Country: Israel

SKY RAIDERS

a film by Lior Chefetz

Yotam is obsessed with flying. When he and his classmate Noa find a rare antique plane, they try to bring the plane back to life, just in time for the Annual Air Show. But therefore they have to team up with Morris, an 80-year-old grumpy loner who used to be a pilot.

SKY RAIDERS is an uplifting adventure feature film for the entire family. The film was released in wide theatrical release in Israel starting summer 2019. Official Selection Cinekid 2020



Duration: 97 min Cast: Bat-Ireedui Batmunkh, Enerel Tumen, Algirchamin Baatasuren, Purevdorj Uranchimeg Version: Mongolian (OV), English ST Country: Germany, Mongolia

VEINS OF THE WORLD *a film by Byambasuren Davaa*

Amra's father Erdene is the leader of the last nomads opposing global mining companies digging for gold in the Mongolian steppe. After his father dies in a tragic car accident, Amra sets out to continue the fight in his father's spirit – but with the tools of an 11-year-old boy.

Oscar nominated Director Byambasuren Davaa ("The Story of the Weeping Camel", 2005) celebrates her fiction feature film debut. The producer is BASIS BERLIN FILMPRODUKTION, who was also proud to be nominated for the Best Documentary Oscar 2019 for "Of Fathers and Sons".



Duration: 102 min Cast: Sandra Hüller, Gro Swantje Kohlhof, August Schmölzer, Marion Kracht Version: German (OV), English ST Country: Germany

SLEEP

a film by Michael Venus

What if you wake up and your nightmare is still there?

The psychological thriller SLEEP tells the gripping story of three generations of women fatefully bound together and a village community haunted by a never ending nightmare. Sandra Hüller, widely known for her stunning performance in the Oscar-nominated "Toni Erdmann", and Gro Swantje Kohlhof, one of the leads in the zombie horror "Ever After", star as a mother-daughter duo in Michael Venus' sinister feature debut.

Official Selection 2020 FANTASIA INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL



Duration: 98 min Cast: Luna Mwezi, Sarah Spale Version: Swiss German (OV), English ST also available: French, Italian, German ST, French ST Country: Switzerland

NEEDLE PARK BABY

a film by Pierre Monnard

An almost unbelievable story set in the midst of Zurich's drug scene and told in an engaging way from the perspective of 11-year-old Mia who is able to bear living with her heroin addict mother by taking refuge in a dream world and giving some hope, joy, and fun to her life with the aid of an imaginary friend.

After a sensational opening in Switzerland in January 2020, NEEDLE PARK BABY became the most successful Swiss film of the past two years; produced by C-Films who is behind other box-office hits ("Night Train to Lisbon", "Little Mountain Boy").



Duration: 96 min Cast: Peter Wohlleben Version: German (OV), English ST Country: Germany

THE HIDDEN LIFE OF TREES

a film by Jorg Adolph

Are trees able to talk? Do they have a memory and a social life?

The whole world is talking about the environment, but frequently fails to listen to nature itself. One man has made it his mission to change this and has promptly reached millions of people. In his non-fiction bestseller "The Hidden Life of Trees", which has been published in over 40 countries and often appeared in the Top Ten listings, Peter Wohlleben opens our eyes to the hidden world of the forest and the "Wood Wide Web".

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