

57 Zlín Film Festival

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THE 57TH ZLÍN FILM FESTIVAL KNOWS ITS WINNERS

Zlín – The 57th International Film Festival for Children and Youth is coming to an end. The International Juries have watched all 152 films in competition and selected the winners of individual sections. The film and supporting program events literally took over Zlín and offered exciting entertainment for both children and adults. A number of film stars both from the Czech Republic and from abroad visited the city; a total of 89 delegations presented their films. Among the prominent guests of the festival was the Swedish director Daniel Bergman, the Czech mezzo-soprano Magdalena Kožená and the Oscar winner Theodor Pištěk.

This year's Zlín Film Festival is slowly becoming a thing of the past. There is only one day left for those interested in films and supporting programme events. The competition sections are closed and their winners will receive awards tonight.

A total of 2,900 were accredited for this year's Zlín Film Festival, which can boast high attendance reaching last year's 125,000 visitors. By Thursday night, the number of film spectators reached more than 40 000 people. By Saturday, the total numbers will be even higher. *"We are very happy to see that festival visitors have shown a real interest in the films screened at the festival and filled the cinemas,"* said Čestmír Vančura, the festival president. Also the programme of this year's Film Industry section attracted the attention of film professionals.

The most successful film was the French film Heartstrings, which received awards in two categories: the Audience Award for Best Feature Film and the Children's Jury Prize. The costume designer and painter Theodor Pištěk will receive the Golden Slipper for extraordinary contribution to cinematography for children and youth.

In its 57th year, the festival spread to other locations. Films were also screened in the unique space of the original film studio at Kudlov. The supporting program included new features such as the Relax Gastro Zone at the Zlín Chateau, the Hamlet of Creative Workshops, the Festival Café at Náměstí Miru square, the Arbour Safety Centre, and the Film Piano tent at Park Komenského.

This year's festival was devoted to Swedish and Swiss cinematography and to the commemoration of the 110th anniversary of the birth of the Swedish writer Astrid Lindgren. *"The 58th Zlín Film Festival will take place from May 25 till June 2, 2018 and will be devoted to Czech and Slovak cinematography in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of independent Czechoslovakia,"* said Čestmír Vančura.

The festival will culminate on Saturday, June 3 with the MONET+ Zlín Festival Half-Marathon with the participation of 1,300 runners. Nearly four hundred small and big runners will run the Festival Family Run.



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For the first time, the inhabitants of the South-Moravian town of Mikulov will have a chance to experience the festival atmosphere. Between June 8 and June 10, the Echoes of the Zlín Film Festival will offer 18 unique films for children and teenagers to local fans of film and of the Zlín Film Festival. The event will feature an extensive supporting programme featuring workshops, theatrical performances and exhibitions.

Swedish cinematography will get into the focus in the region once again this year as the main theme of this year's Summer Film School in Uherské Hradiště, which will take place from July 28 till August 6, 2017.

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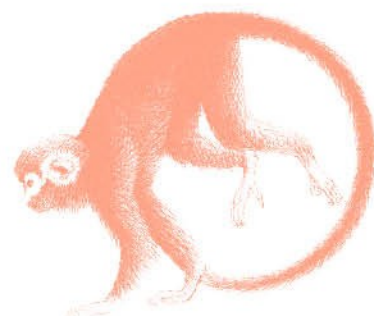
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FILM PROGRAMME

The 57th ZLÍN FILM FESTIVAL 2017 included screenings of 326 films from 62 countries.

Premieres:

World premieres	18
Total number of premiered films	199

Competition sections:

- International Competition of Feature Films for Children
- International Competition of Feature Films for Youth
- International Competition of Short Animated for Children
- International Competition of European First Feature Films
- Zlín Dog – International Competition of Student Films

Informative sections:

- Days of Swedish Cinema
- Welcome to Switzerland
- Czech Films and TV Programmes
- Panorama
- Night Horizons
- Documentary Films
- Neighbourhood

The results list in individual competition sections is attached to this press release.

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20TH FILM CLAPPERBOARDS SALON 2017

The jubilee twentieth Film Clapperboards Salon is over. The exhibition and auction of artistically rendered clapperboards has become a traditional event of the supporting programme of the Zlín Film Festival. This year, a record total of 144 items appeared on the auction list. One hundred and forty-three clapperboards were auctioned on the spot, one clapperboard was sold by means of an electronic auction. The total proceeds from this year's auction are CZK 1,914,600.

This year's record sum of CZK 48,000 was paid for Kristian Kodet's clapperboard titled "Lovers", followed by Jan Saudek's clapperboard " Fate Descending Into the Valley Accompanied By Two Innocent Children", which was auctioned for CZK 45,000, and by Pavel Čech's "Čenda The Spider" for CZK 42,000.

The proceeds of the auction will go to support original films made by students of film schools and other emerging artists. The five-member expert jury of the FILMTALENT ZLÍN Endowment Fund allocated financial support to all 22 films that made it into the second round of the public competition. The total sum of the support amounted to CZK 1,127,000. The jury expressed special interest in the following projects: continuation of Na Film!, a successful project of the National Film Museum, a live-action comedy series from the life of students of the last year of a secondary school titled JAKOŽE HUSTĚ, submitted by the directors Jan Bártek and Karolína Zalabáková from Zlín, an animated film by Gabriela Plačková with the title Doctor Stein's Incredible Boxing Machine, and the film The Most Loved One.

The film Salon project was initiated in 1998. During the twenty years of its existence, a total of 2,222 clapperboards made their way into private collections. The most successful clapperboard ever was Libor Vojkůvka's titled An Open Clapperboard Full of Desire, auctioned for CZK 199,000 in 2008. Thanks to this year's auction, the total amount auctioned in support of audiovisual projects reached CZK 30,534,600.

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PERSONALITIES OF THE 57TH ZFF 2017

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DELEGATIONS PRESENT AT THE 57TH ZFF 2017

Competition of films for children:

- **Mira Forsell** (actress), **Adam Lundgren** (actor) for the film **Up to the Sky** (Sweden)
- **Iveta Grófová** (director, screenwriter), **Matúš Bačišin** (actor), **Jiří Konečný** (producer), Katarína Krnáčová (producer) for the film **Little Harbour** (Slovakia, Czech Republic)
- **Ayla Nutti** (actress) for the film **Cloudboy** (Belgium, Sweden, Norway, The Netherlands)
- **Torfinn Iversen** (director) for the film **Oscar's America** (Norway)
- **Behdokht Valiyan** (actress) for the film **Number Four** (Iran)
- **Samuel Girardi** (actor), **Tobias Wiemann** (director) for the film **Mountain Miracle – An Unexpected Friendship** (Germany, Italy)

Competition of films for youth:

- **Daniel Huttleston** (actor) for the film **London Town** (United Kingdom)
- **Tristan Göbel** (actor) for the films **Goodbye Berlin** (Germany) a **Bright Nights** (Germany, Norway)
- **Prithvi Konanur** (director) for the film **Railway Children** (India)
- **Peter Roy Machen** (screenwriter, actor) for the film **Just Charlie** (United Kingdom)
- **Aäron Roggeman** (actor), **Kevin Meul** (director) for the film **My First Highway** (Belgium)

Days of Swedish Cinema:

- **Sebastian Hiort af Ornäs** (actor) for the film **Sebbe** (Sweden)
- **Grete Sofia Havneskold** (actress) for the film **Lotte Leaves Home** (Sweden)
- **Daniel Bergman** (director) for the film **Brenda Brave** (Sweden)
- **Ella Lemhagen** (director) for the films **Tsatsiki**, **Mum and Policeman** and **Immediate Boarding** (Sweden)
- **Catti Endfeldt** (director) for the film **Kidz in da Hood** (Sweden)
- **Alicja Björk** (director) for the films **Laban**, **the Little Ghost** and **Little Anna and the Tall Uncle** (Sweden)

Panorama:

- **Yuzo Toda** and **Yoshinano Kumano** for the film **Mother Lake** (Japan)
- **Kirsten Carthew** (director, screenwriter), **Devery Jacobs** (actress) for the film **The Sun At Midnight** (Canada)
- **Mariusz Palej** (director) for the film **Behind the Blue Door** (Poland)

Special Mention:

- **Robert Kolinsky** (director) for the film **Jiří Menzel: To Make a Comedy Is No Fun** (Switzerland)

European First Films:

- **Carla Simon Pipó** (director, screenwriter) for the film **Summer 1993** (Spain)
- **Chris Walley** (actor), **Alex Murphy** (actor) for the film **The Young Offenders** (Ireland)
- **Rafael Kapelinski** (director) for the film **Butterfly Kisses** (United Kingdom)
- **Baldur Einarsson** (actor) for the film **Heartstone** (Iceland)
- **Julie Brochorst Andersen** (actress), **Rene Frelle Petersen** (director), **Marco Lorenzen** (producer) for the film **Where Have All Good Men Gone** (Denmark)
- **Petros Charalambous** (director), **George Demetrious** (actor) for the film **Boy on the Bridge**



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- (Cyprus)

New Czech Films and TV Programmes:

- **Eliška Balzerová** (actress), **Barbora Černotová** (actress) **Marta Gerlíková Santovjácová** (director, screenwriter), **Jiří Novotný** (cinematographer), **Petr Kubelík** (screenwriter, composer) for the film **That Time Together** (Czech Republic)
- **Martin Dejdar** (actor), **Ján Novák** (actress), **Daniela Choděrová** (actress), **Kristýna Kociánová** (actress), **Filip Blažek** (actor), **Andrej Hryc** (actor), **Václav Noid Bárta** (composer), **Bořivoj Čermák** (actor), **Justýna Ela Klimešová** (actress), **Samuel Gyertiák** (actor), **Jonáš Hloušek** (actor), **Sára Dejdarová** (actress) for the film **Ducat Rock** (Czech Republic)
- **Barbara Johnsonová** (creative producer) for the film **The Lowbrow Family II**
- **Jaroslav Němeček** (production designer) for the film **Lucky Four** (Czech Republic)

Welcome to Switzerland:

- **Tobias Ineichen** (director, screenwriter) for the films **Jimmy** and **Clara and the Secret of the Bears** (Switzerland)
- **Alain Gsponer** (director) for the film **Heidi** (Switzerland)
- **Alice Schmid** (director) for the film **The Children from Napf** (Switzerland)

Documentary Films:

- **David Kinsella** (director) for the film **Whisperers** (Norway)
- **Arno Aschauer** (director) for the film **Brundibár – Bridges Across Time and Space** (Germany)

Short animated films in competition:

- **Jaroslav Nykl** (director) for the film **Knot Fairy Tale** (Czech Republic)
- **Gediminas Šiaulis** (director) for the film **Running Lights** (Latvia)
- **Svjatoslav Ušakov** (director) for the film **The Dream** (Russia)
- **Umeda Toshiya**, **Satoshi Konosu** for the film **The Gif** (Japan)
- **Evgeniya Zhirkova** (director), **Anton Olenev** (cinematographer) for the film **Dragon Sledge** (Russia)
- **Christoph Englert** (director), **Lucia Scharbatke** (producer) for the film **Peep and the Paperplane** (Germany)
- **Moritz Mayerhofer** (director), **Bartosz Grudiecki** (screenwriter) for the film **Traces of My Brother** (Germany)
- **Christopher Auchter** (director) for the film **The Mountain Sgaana** (Canada)
- **Martin Otevřel** (director) for the film **The Garden under the Stars – Scary Dog** (Czech Republic)
- **Veronika Kuncová** (director) for the film **Atlas of Dragons** (Czech Republic)
- **Eva Kameníková** (producer), **Hynek Trojánek** for the film **Live from the Moss: Rap, Lazybones!** (Czech Republic)
- **Filip Diviak** (director) for the film **Awaker** (Czech Republic)

Student films in competition:

- **Charlotte Dewulf** (director), **Tiemen Van Haver** (actor) for the film **Ampersand** (Belgium)
- **Miroslava Konečná** (director) for the film **Dehydration** (Czech Republic)
- **Manuela Rüegg** (director) for the film **Cloud Rider** (Switzerland)
- **Stella Asmon** (director) for the film **Terka Nova** (Hungary)



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- **Simon Valentin** (director), **Jens Christian Rørbæk Kruse** (editor) for the film **Buyoancy** (Denmark)
- **Simion Karpachov** (post-production producer) for the film **Who Sank Your Ships?** (Israel)
- **Ivo Skanstinš** (director) for the film **Hunting Day** (Latvia)
- **Ondřej Šálek** (director) for the film **Jágr Republic** (Czech Republic)
- **Marjolaine Perreten** (director) for the film **A Festive Wind** (Switzerland)
- **Mária Martiniaková** (director) for the film **Morning of Butterflies** (Slovakia)
- **Efim Graboy** (director), **Daniel Binsted** (cinematographer) for the film **The Unknown Soldier** (Israel)
- **Filip Alex Svoboda** (director) for the film **Around Us** (Czech Republic)
- **Oliver Beaujard** (director) for the film **Flower** (Czech Republic)
- **Evgeniya Kazankina** (director), **Anastasia Trofimova** (cinematographer) for the film **The Melody of Unexpected Encounters** (Russia)
- **Lucie Ambrůžková** (director) for the film **The Touch** (Czech Republic)
- **Bára Anna Stejskalová** (director) for the film **Fishermen** (Czech Republic)

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INTERNATIONAL EXPERT JURY FOR FEATURE FILMS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

- Catti Edfeldt – screenwriter, director – Sweden
- Alain Gsponer – screenwriter, director – Switzerland
- Klára Issová - actress – Czech Republic
- Sannette Naeyé – producer, independent advisor – The Netherlands
- Juraj Nvota – director, actor – Slovakia

JOINT INTERNATIONAL JURY OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS FOR SHORT ANIMATED FILMS

- Alicja Jaworski Björk – animator, director – Sweden
- Nils Skapāns – animator, screenwriter, director, cinematographer – Latvia
- Ludmila Zemanová – graphic artist, illustrator, writer, screenwriter, director – Czech Republic, Canada
- Victor Illman – Canada
- Kazimir Plesničar – Slovenia
- Kristina Steranková – Slovakia

INTERNATIONAL EXPERT JURY FOR EUROPEAN FIRST FILMS

- Slávek Horák – director, screenwriter – Czech Republic
- Vica Kerekes – actress – Slovakia, Hungary
- Alice Schmid – screenwriter, director – Switzerland

INTERNATIONAL JURY FOR STUDENT FILMS

- Rok Govednik – film theoretician, lecturer, festival professional – Slovenia
- Petra Nesvačilová – actress, documentary director – Czech Republic
- Eva Pavlovičová – film professional – Slovakia

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S JURY FOR FEATURE FILM FOR CHILDREN

- Marianne Gartland – Norway
- Helene Goebels – Germany
- Vera Heide – Norway
- Nina Lehotská – Slovakia
- Amálie Salajková – Czech Republic

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S JURY FOR FEATURE FILM FOR YOUTH

- Damián-Jan Alonso – Spain
- Šimon Dančiak – Slovakia
- Jurij Drgan – Slovenia
- Alžběta Nešporová – Czech Republic
- Matěj Tomeček – Czech Republic

INTERNATIONAL ECFA JURY

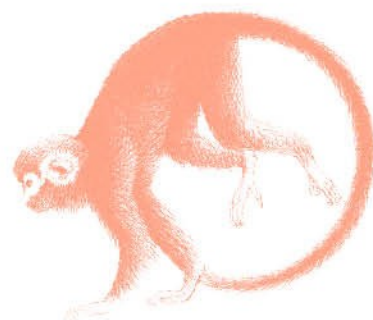
- Linde Fröhlich – festival professional, film organizer – Germany
- Marjo Kovanen – Producer – Finland
- Selma Mehadžić – festival professional, film dramaturgist – Croatia

INTERNATIONAL ECUMENICAL JURY

- Samuel Petit – film critic, journalist, publicist – France
- Dagmar Petrick – writer, publicist – Germany
- Joel Ruml – pastor of the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren – Czech Republic



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