





# <u>'Celebrating Women'</u> <u>in New Delhi with the 18th European Union Film Festival</u>



## New Delhi: May 08 – May 19 2013 24 films, each from a different EU Member State

At
Alliance Française
Instituto Cervantes
Hungarian Cultural Centre
Italian Cultural Centre
British Council

Inauguration on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 7 pm, at Alliance Française

On the occasion of the 50 years of EU-India diplomatic relations, European Union will inaugurate its Film Festival in New Delhi on the eve of Europe Day, 8<sup>th</sup> May 2013. Appropriately themed on: "Celebrating Women", this 11 city festival was launched in Coimbatore on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2013, coincided with the International Women's Day. The film festival narrates many engaging stories, showcasing different shades, and nuances of women, and offering an insight into their remarkable lives.

The stories of women often remain untold, overshadowed by other happenings and matters. But today women are raising their voices with increasing persistence, demanding to be seen and heard. The EU Film Festival would like to join the chorus of voices and through the perspective of

the main female leads, share the very different lives of women. The films showcase different aspects, nuances and sometimes even the hardships of being a woman.

Some of them are comedies, some are dramas, and some are unclassifiable just as life itself is. But in the end they narrate engaging stories that reach out to men and women alike, to young adults as well as to elders.

The viewers will have the opportunity to watch a selection of 24 films that have not been screened in India yet. All the films will all be screened in national languages, with subtitles in English. Among them there will be languages like Bulgarian, Finnish or Lithuanian – languages that maybe many Indians will hear for the first time and which will, more clearly than anything else, portray Europe's diversity.

**The inaugural film in Delhi-** Dromoi kai Portokalia **- (Roads & Oranges) is directed by** Aliki Danezi – Knutsen.

This drama from Cyprus is about two sisters whose father has been presumed dead since Turkish forces invaded their country in 1974. However, when they receive word that their father may be alive in Turkey, they set out to find him. Wavering between courage and fear, the sisters find themselves wandering through a strange and unfamiliar land, looking for a man who may not want to be found.

A poignant story about two sisters and the search for their father.

The EU Film Festival within India is organised by the EU Delegation to India and the Embassies of the EU Member States, in collaboration with a number of partners: Federation of Film Societies of India, Alliance Française, Goethe Institut / Max Mueller Bhavan, Indo Cine Appreciation Foundation, Kumaraguru College of Technology, Suchitra Film Society and Bangalore International Centre, National Film Archives of India, Cine Central Calcutta, Nandan Theatre, Entertainment Society of Goa, Chandigarh Film Society, Film Society of Jodhpur etc.

The festival has already been showcased in Coimbatore and Bangalore, Pune, Chennai, Goa and Mumbai. After the new Delhi screenings, it will travel to other Indian cities - Kolkata, Hyderabad, Chandigarh and Jodhpur.

# CELEBRATING WOMEN EU FILM FESTIVAL 2013 NEW DELHI SCHEDULE

Venues					
Alliance Française (AF), 72, Lodhi Estate, Lodi Road					
Instituto Cervantes (IC), 48, Hanuman Road					
Hungarian Cultural Centre (HCC), 1/A, Janpath					
Italian Cultural Centre (ICC), E-50, Chandragupta Marg, Chanakyapuri					
British Council (BC), 17, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, Connaught Place					

Date	Time	Venue	Country	Title (English)
8-May	7:00 PM	AF	Cyprus	Roads and Oranges
10-May	5:30 PM	AF	Romania	My Personal Life
10-May	7:30 PM	AF	Czech Republic	Little Girl Blue
11-May	3:30 PM	IC	Denmark	Applause
11-May	5:30 PM	IC	Italy	The First Assignment
12-May	11:30 AM	IC	UK	Fast Girls
12-May	3:30 PM	IC	Estonia	Graveyard Keeper's daughter
12-May	5:30 PM	IC	Sweden	Beyond
13-May	5:00 PM	HCC	Poland	My name is Ki
13-May	7:00 PM	HCC	Greece	Athanasia
14-May	5:00 PM	HCC	France	Water Lillies
14-May	7:00 PM	нсс	Portugal	Eccentricities of a Blonde- haired Girl
15-May	5:00 PM	ICC	Slovakia	The House
15-May	7:00 PM	ICC	Spain	Take my eyes
16-May	5:00 PM	ICC	Hungary	Eszter's Inheritance
16-May	7:00 PM	ICC	Bulgaria	Lora from morning till evening
17-May	5:00 PM	ICC	Germany	After Five in the Forest Primeval
17-May	7:00 PM	ICC	Finland	Princess
18-May	2:30 PM	ВС	Belgium	Altiplano
18-May	4:30 PM	ВС	Slovenia	Installation of love
18-May	7:00 PM	ВС	Ireland	32A
19-May	2:30 PM	ВС	Netherlands	The Dark House
19-May	4:30 PM	ВС	Lithuania	Back to your arms
19-May	7:00 PM	ВС	Luxembourg	Your name is Justine

#### List of Awards won by the movies showcased in the EUFF 2013

#### Belgium, Altiplano, Peter Brosens & Jessica Woodworth (6)

2010: Lucania Film Festival (Italy) - Best Cinematography; AVANCA Festival (Portugal) - Best
 Feature Film and Best Actress (Magaly Solier); Tofifest (Poland) - Special Jury Award
 2009: "The City of Virton Award" (Belgium) - Grand Prix Award; Bangkok International Film Festival
 - Grand Prix or Golden Kinnaree

#### Czech Republic, Little Girl Blue, Alice Nellis (3)

2008: Bergamo Film Meeting (Italy) - Bronze Rosa Camuna; Czech Lions - Critics' Award; Pilsen Film Festival - Golden Kingfisher Award (Best Film)

#### Denmark, Applause, Martin Pieter Zandvliet (8)

2009: Mumbai International Film Festival - Best Actress; Zurich film festival - Critics' Choice Award, Nashville - Best Actress, Hamptons - Outstanding Achievement in Acting (Paprika Steen); Karlovy Vary - Best Actress (Paprika Steen);

2010: Robert Festival - Robert Award (Best Actress, Paprika Steen); Zulu Awards - Best Actress (Paprika Steen); Rouen Nordic Film Festival - "Deuxième Souffle" Award (Martin Zandvliet)

#### Estonia, Graveyard Keeper's daughter, Katrin Laur (3)

2011: International Film Festival "Arsenals" (Latvia) - Best Film in the Baltic Film competition, FIPRESCI Prize; Tallinn Black Nights Film Festival – Best Estonian Film

#### Finland, Princess, Arto Halonen (2)

2011: Jussi Finnish Film Awards - Jussi Award, Best Actress to Katja Kukkola; Cape Winelands Film Festival (South Africa) - Grand Prix Award

#### France, Water Lilies, Céline Sciamma (3)

2008: Trophées Jeunes Talents 2008 – Young Director Award

2007: Cabourg Romantic Film Festival - Prix de la jeunesse; Prix Louis-Delluc (Best Film)

#### Germany, After Five in the Forest Primeval, Hans-Christian Schmid (3)

1995: International Hofer Film Days - Best yound director (Hans-Christian Schmid)

1996: Bavarian Film Award - Best young actress (Franka Potente)

1997: Bavarian Film Award - Best Production

#### Greece, Athanasia, Panos Karkanevatos (1)

2008: Thessaloniki Film Festival - FIPRESCI Prize

#### Ireland, 32A, Marian Quinn (2)

2007: Annual Irish Film & Television Awards – Director of Photography; Galway Film Fleadh – Best First Feature Award

#### Italy, The First Assignment, Giorgia Cecere (9)

2011: "Tumbarinu d'Argento" Award (Best Debut Film); Isola del Cinema Festival – Best Screenplay; Bobbio Film Festival – Audience Award; Bimbi Belli Festival – Best Actress (Isabella Ragonese); Clorofilla Film Festival – Best Actress; NICE - New Italian Cinema Events Festival – City of Florence N.I.C.E. Award, Susan Batson Award; Premio Sonora Contest – Best Soundtrack 2012: NICE Russia Festival – Best Director

#### Lithuania, Back to your arms, Kristijonas Vildžiūnas (10)

2011: Silver Crane Awards (Lithuania) - Best Director, Best Film and 8 other categories

#### Luxembourg, Your name is Justine, Franco da Pena (11)

International Awards including those of Montreal, Poznan, and Mons. In 2006 was the Luxembourg submission for the 79th Academy Award for Best Foreign Language *Film. PRICE BEST LUXEMBOURG FILM in 2007.* 

### Netherlands, The Dark House, Will Koopman (1)

2009: Golden and Platin Film, Netherlands - Golden Film Award

#### Poland, My name is Ki, Leszek Dawid (1)

2011: Polish Films Festival in Gdynia - Best Actress in a Leading Role (Roma Gąsiorowska)

#### Portugal, Eccentricities of a Blonde-haired Girl, Manoel de Oliveira (1)

2010: Portugal Golden Globe, Best Actress (Catarina Wallenstein).

#### Slovenia, Installation of love, Maja Weiss (1)

2008: Jury Prize at the Trieste Film Festival

#### Slovakia, House, Zuzana Liova (7)

2007: International Film Festival Cannes, Script Teast Award of Krzysztof Kieslowski 2011: Art Film Fest Slovakia Best Actor (Miroslav Krobot), Best Actress (Judit Bárdos); International Film Festival Anonimul Romania Viewers Award; International Film Festival Vilnius Special Jury's Award, Titanic Film Festival Budapest Students' Jury Award 2012: Palm Springs, award New Voices / New Visions.

#### Spain, Take my eyes, Icíar Bollaín (39)

2003: Ondas Awards, Film Award (Best Actress and Best Spanish Film); San Sebastián International Film Festival, CEC Award for Best Film, SIGNIS Award - Special Mention, Silver Seashell (Best Actor and Best Actress)

2004: ADIRCAE Awards, Best Director (Icíar Bollaín) and Best Performance in a Leading Role (Laia Marull); Cinema Writers Circle Awards, Spain, Best Actor (Luis Tosar), Best Actress (Laia Marull), Best Director (Icíar Bollaín), Best Film, Best Original Score (Alberto Iglesias), Best Screenplay; Copenhagen International Film Festival, Golden Swan, Best Actor (Luis Tosar); Créteil International Women's Film Festival, Audience Award (Best Feature Film), Grand Prix; Fotogramas de Plata, Fotogramas de Plata Award, Best Film, Best Movie Actor, Best Movie Actress; Goya Awards, Best Actor, Best Actress, Best Director, Best Film, Best Original Screenplay, Best Sound, Best Supporting Actress; Guadalajara Mexican Film Festival, Mayahuel Award, Best Film; Iberoamerican Short Film Competition, "La Navaja de Buñuel" Award; Sant Jordi Awards, Audience Award (Best Spanish Film), Sant Jordi (Best Spanish Actress); Seattle International Film Festival, Golden Space Needle Award (Best Actor); Spanish Actors Union, Award of the Spanish Actors Union (Best Female Lead Performance, Best Male Lead Performance, Best Female Supporting Performance); Turia Awards, Audience Award (Best Spanish Film), Turia Award (Best Actor and Best Actress)

#### 2005: Cartagena Film Festival, Golden India Catalina Best Actor (Luis Tosar)

#### Sweden, Beyond, Pernilla August (10)

2011: Nordic Council Film Prize

2010: São Paulo International Film Festival, International Jury Award (Best Actress), Special Jury Award (Best Fictional Film); Venice Film Festival, Christopher D. Smithers Foundation Special Award, International Critics' Week Award; Lübeck Nordic Film Days, NDR Promotion Prize; Hamburg Film Festival, Foreign Press Award; Guldbagge Awards (Swedish Academy Awards), Guldbagge (Best Direction and Best Supporting Actress), Jury Specialbagge (Best Editing)

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