



European Union Film Festival 2017

“European Adventures”

In association with
The British Council & the Embassy of Switzerland
20 to 23 May, 2017

Venue: QFX, Kumari, Hall 1

Tickets can be obtained for free at the hall on a first come first serve basis on each screening day



SATURDAY, 20th May



UK
“Swallows And Amazons”
at 11:00 am

Title: Swallows and Amazons
Genre: Adventure, Drama, Family
Production year: 2016
Country: UK
Runtime: 1 h 37 min
Director: Philippa Lowthorpe
Writers: Andrea Gibb, Arthur Ransome
(based on the book by)
Cast: Kelly Macdonald, Andrew Scott, Rafe Spall

SYNOPSIS: Four children (the Swallows) on holiday in the Lake District sail on their own to an island and start a war with rival children (the Amazons). In the meantime, a mysterious man on a houseboat accuses them of a crime they did not commit.



Czech Republic
“To See The Sea”
at 1:30 pm

Title: To See The Sea
Original Title: Pojedeme k mori
Genre: Comedy, Drama, Family
Directed by: Jirí Mádľ
Writer: Jirí Mádľ
Runtime: 1 h 30 min
Production Year: 2014
Sub Titles: English
Cast: Petr Simčák, Jan Marsál, Ondrej Vetchý

SYNOPSIS: Tomas (12) gets a camera and begins making a film about his family. His enigmatic father (Ondrej Vetchý) works from home. By hiding a camera in his office, Tomas discovers that on Tuesdays and Thursdays his father leaves the house. When confronted with that fact, he denies it. On the pursuit of the great family secret Tomas reveals the hidden side of Haris, his best friend, who starts using a camera as the only way to get his mum and brother away from the hell of his violent father. Courage and profound friendship lead Tomas and Haris to the final revelation and an unpredictable conclusion. The whole film is shot and edited as if by a twelve-year-old boy. This technique allows us to perceive the world through the eyes of a child.





Germany
"Oh Boy"
at 3:30 pm

Title: A Coffee in Berlin
Original Title: Oh Boy
Genre: Comedy, drama
Production Year: 2012
Directed by: Jan Ole Gerster
Writer: Jan Ole Gerster
Runtime: 1 h 26 min
Subtitles: English
Cast: Tom Schilling, Katharina Schüttler, Justus von Dohnányi

SYNOPSIS: An aimless university dropout attempts to make sense of life as he spends one fateful day wandering the streets of Berlin.



Denmark
"A Second Chance"
at 5:30 pm

Title: A Second Chance
Genre: Drama, thriller
Original title: En chance til
Production year: 2014
Country: Denmark
Runtime: 1 h 42 min
Director: Susanne Bier
Script Writer: Anders Thomas Jensen
Cast: Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, Nikolaj Lie Kaas, Ulrich Thomsen

SYNOPSIS: Detectives and best friends Andreas and Simon lead vastly different lives; Andreas has settled down with his beautiful wife and son; while Simon, recently divorced, spends most of his waking hours getting drunk at the local strip club. But all that changes when the two of them are called out to a domestic dispute between a junkie couple, caught in a vicious cycle of violence and drugs. It all looks very routine - until Andreas finds the couple's infant son, crying in a closet. The usually collected policeman finds himself confronted with his own powerlessness and is shaken to his core. As Andreas slowly loses his grip on justice, it suddenly becomes up to the unruly Simon to restore the balance between right and wrong. "A Second Chance" is a shocking, moving and thrilling drama about real people forced into incredible circumstances.



SUNDAY, 21st May



Austria
“The Dreamed Ones”
at 11:00 am

Title: The Dreamed Ones
Original Title: Die Geträumten
Genre: Documentary
Production year: 2016
Country: Austria
Runtime: 1h 29 min
Director: Ruth Beckermann
Writers: Ingeborg Bachmann, Paul Celan
Cast : Anja Plaschg, Laurence Rupp

SYNOPSIS: Mid-20th-century European poets Paul Celan and Ingeborg Bachmann carried on a decades-long correspondence in the postwar years, even though he was a Romanian Jew who lost his parents in the Holocaust and she was an Austrian whose father was a Nazi; true story. Apparently it was quite the romance, even though they were hardly ever in the same city at the same time. In this odd hybrid of documentary, performance-art piece, and fictional narrative, director Ruth Beckermann places cameras in front of actors doing dramatic readings of Celan and Bachmann's letters to each other, and keeps the cameras rolling when the actors take breaks.



Germany
“Bornholmer Straße”
at 1:30 pm

Title: Bornholmer Strasse
Genre: Comedy, Drama
Production year: 2014
Country: Germany
Runtime: 1 h 28 min
Writer: Gerard Haase- Hindenberg (book), Heide Schwochow
Director: Christian Schwochow
Cast : Charly Hübner, Milan Peschel, Ulrich Matthes

SYNOPSIS: A comic look at the fall of the Berlin Wall in November of 1989, told from the point of view of the German border guards at the checkpoint where it all started.





Cyprus
“Committed”
 at 3:30 pm

Title: Committed
Original Title: Eine Braut zum Verlieben
Genre: Comedy, Romance
Production year: 2014
Country: Cyprus
Runtime: 1 h 30 min
Director: Stelana Kliris
Writers: Stelana Kliris
Cast: Melia Kreiling, Orestes Sophocleous, Dimitris Xystras

SYNOPSIS: A chance meeting between a man being pressured to propose to his girlfriend and a runaway bride.



Spain
“El Rayo”
 at 5:30 pm

Title in English : Hassan’s Way
Original Title: El Rayo
Genre: Adventure, Biography, Drama
Production year: 2013
Country: Spain
Runtime: 1 h 26 min
Director: Fran Araújo, Ernesto de Nova
Writer: Fran Araújo, Ernesto de Nova
Cast: Hassan Benoudra

SYNOPSIS: After thirteen years in Spain, Hassan is jobless and decides to go back home to Morocco. He invests all his savings in a second hand tractor to earn a living in his country and takes on to the road. At the end of the road awaits his family and a new life in his village. A real journey played by a real man who travels, town to town, meeting with unforgettable characters and overcoming obstacles making this journey a real odyssey.



MONDAY, 22nd May



Luxembourg
“Schatzritter”
 at 11:00 am

Title in English: Treasure Knights
Original Title: Schatzritter
Genre: Adventure, Family
Production year: 2012
Country: Luxembourg
Runtime: 1 h 33 min
Director: Laura Schroeder
Writers: Stefan Schaller (screenplay), Martin Dolejs (screenplay)
Cast : Anton Glas, Lana Welter, Thierry Koob

SYNOPSIS: Three children looking for a treasure. Since the mysterious death of his mother, Jeff (Anton Glas) lives alone with his father at a campground near an eerie castle. Outside the holiday season the eleven-year-old feels very lonely in the deserted area. Only when his best friends Julia (Lana Welter) and Leo (Thierry Koob) arrive at the campsite, the boy lives up. The three are a committed team and have already experienced a lot of adventure together. An ancient legend about a mermaid draws the three into their spell. When Jeff was small, he heard of his mother's story, that the mermaid Melusina was once betrayed and since then has disappeared together with her treasure. Only if a brave knight succeeds in finding the treasure can the curse be broken. Impudent from the story, Jeff and his friends are looking for the lost treasure.



Latvia
“Dream Team 1935”
 at 1:30 pm

Title in English: Dream Team 1935
Original Title: Sapnu komanda
Genre: Comedy, Drama, History
Production year: 2012
Country: Latvia
Runtime: 2 h
Director: Aigars Grauba
Writers: Andrejs Ekis, Aigars Grauba
Cast : Janis Amanis, Inga Alsina, Vilis Daudzins

SYNOPSIS: A story about the Latvian basketball team, which won the first-ever European Championships in 1935 and its enthusiastic head coach Valdemars Baumanis.





France
“Belle et Sébastien”
at 3:30 pm

Title: Belle und Sebastian

Original Title: Belle et Sébastien

Production year: 2013

Country: France

Runtime: 1h 44 min

Director: Nicolas Vanier

Writers: Juliette Sales (screenplay), Fabien Auarez (screenplay)

Cast: Félix Bossuet, Tchéky, Karyo, Margaux Chatelier

SYNOPSIS: Mountain-based adventures of a young boy and his dog in a small village in the southern Alps.



Finland
“Big Game”
at 5:30 pm

Title in English: Big Game

Genre: Action, Adventure

Production year: 2014

Country: Finland

Runtime: 1 h 30 min

Director: Jalma Helander

Writer: Jalmari Helander (screenplay), Jalmari Helander (based on the original story by)

Cast: Samuel L. Jackson, Onni Tommila, Ray Stevenson

SYNOPSIS: A young teenager camping in the woods helps rescue the President of the United States when AirForce One is shot down near his campsite.



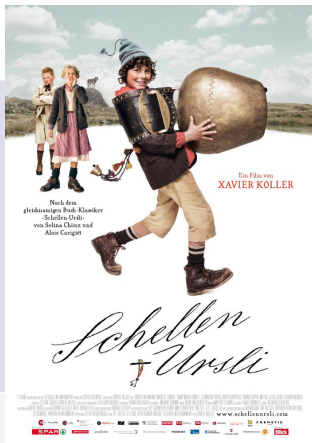
TUESDAY, 23rd May



Switzerland
“Little Mountain Boy”
at 11:00 am

Title: Little Mountain Boy
Original Title: Schellen-Ursli
Genre: Adventure, Family
Production year: 2014
Country: Switzerland
Runtime: 1 h 40 min
Director: Xavier Koller
Writers: Stefan Jäger, Xavier Koller
Cast : Jonas Hartmann, Peter Jecklin, Julia Jeker

SYNOPSIS: A boy must brave deep winter snow to obtain an important family keepsake. Before he can even start this difficult journey he must first help his family survive financial ruin, rescue his beloved pet goat, and with his best friend, outwit a bratty bully who seems out to get him at every turn. Will he make it back to the village in time to celebrate the end-of-winter holiday of Chalandamarz?



Denmark
“Warriors from the North”
at 1:30 pm

Title in English : Warriors from the North
Original Title: Krigerne fra nord
Genre: Documentary, History, News
Production year: 2015
Country: Denmark
Runtime: 58 min
Directors: Nasib Farah, Soeren Steen Jespersen
Writer: Soeren Steen Jespersen (story)

SYNOPSIS: Warriors from the North is about young Somali-Scandinavian men, who leave their comfortable everyday life in Scandinavia to become fighters - even suicide bombers, in Somalia - one of the most dangerous and impoverished places in the world.





France
“Dheepan”
at 3:30 pm

Title: Dheepan

Genre: Crime, Drama

Production year : 2015

Country: France

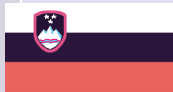
Runtime: 1 h 55 min

Director: Jacques Audiard

Writers: Jacques Audiard (dialogue), Jacques Audiard (screenplay)

Cast : Jesuthasan Antonythasan, Kalieaswari Srinivasan, Claudine, Vinasithamby

SYNOPSIS: Dheepan is a Sri Lankan Tamil warrior who flees to France and ends up working as a caretaker outside Paris.



Slovenia
“Comedy of Tears”
at 5:30 pm

Title : Comedy of Tears

Genre: Drama

Production year: 2015

Country: Slovenia

Runtime: 1h 16 min

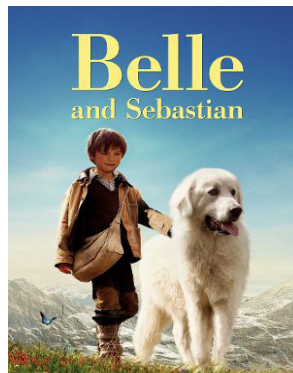
Director: Marko Susic

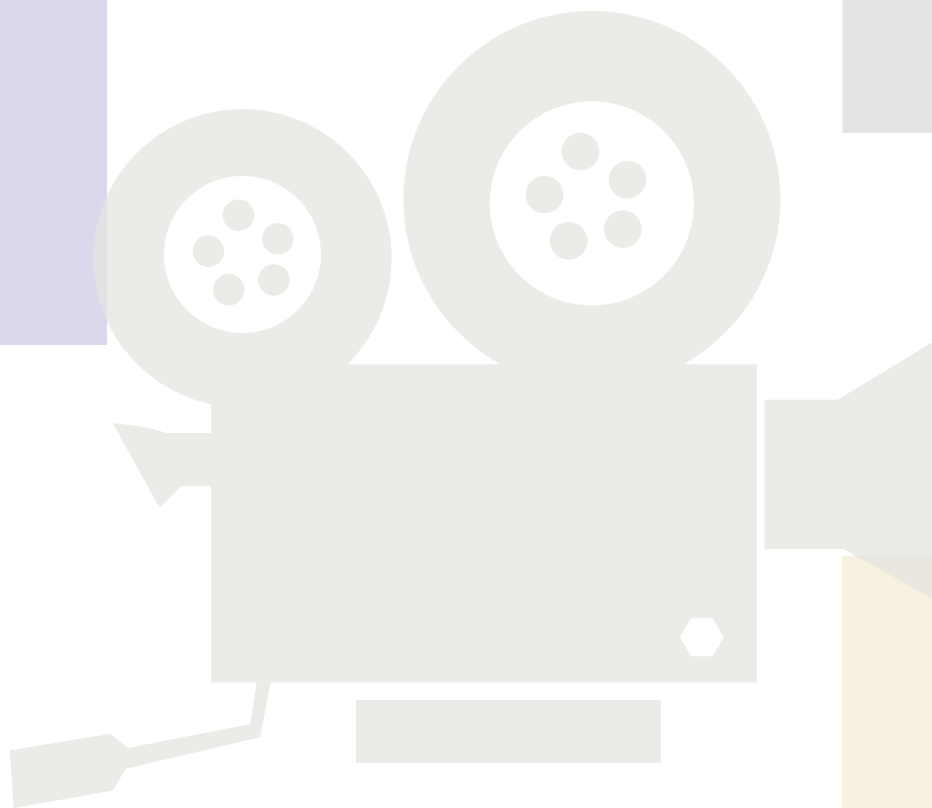
Writer: Marko Susic

Cast: Katerina Antler, Ivo Barisic, Tina Gunzek

SYNOPSIS: Albert is an elderly man, a cynic, a choleric, and a racist. He lives in a wheelchair in a spacious flat in Trieste surrounded with his solitude of obsessive memory fragments. Ida, an educated middle-aged lady, who arrives from Istria to Albert's place twice a week to clean up, cook for him and to bathe him, is the only company he gets.







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