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THE SIREN DIE SIRENE

1980, Abadan. The oil capital of Iran resists the Iraqi siege. Omid, 14 years old, doesn't leave town, staying with his grandfather, despite the siege. Omid is waiting for his elder brother to return from the front. By his side, a gallery of unusual characters, each one of whom refuses to leave Abadan for a personal reason. While the vise tightens on the city, that can fall into Iraqi hands any moment, Omid tries to save all those he loves on board of an abandoned ship, that he discovers in the port of Abadan and that he will turn into his ark.

GENRE Feature Animation Film, Coming-of-Age Story YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2023 DIRECTOR Sepideh Farsi SCREENPLAY Javad Djavahery GRAPHIC AUTHOR Zaven Najjar PRODUCER Sebastien Onomo CO-PRODUCERS Vanessa Ciszewski, David Grumbach, Annemie Degryse, Richard Lutterbeck PRODUCTION COMPANY Les Films D'ici (France) CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES Katuh Studio, Trickstudio Lutterbeck, Bac Films (Luxembourg), Lunanime (Belgium), Special Touch Studios (France), Rêves D'eau (France), Amopix (France), Les Fées Speciales (France) RUNTIME 110 min LANGUAGE Farsi FESTIVAL Berlin International Film Festival 2023: Panorama (Opening Film) WORLD SALES BAC International

SULTANA'S DREAM SULTANAS TRAUM

Inés is a young artist who is incapable of dreaming. Unexpectedly, she comes across the book "Sultana's Dream" in which the author Rokeya Hossain reveals Ladyland: a place where women are in charge and men live in seclusion. Inés is fascinated by the story and embarks on a journey through India searching for the traces of Rokeya and Ladyland.

GENRE Animation, Art, Drama, Love, Road Movie YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2023 DIRECTOR Isabel Herguera SCREENPLAY Isabel Herguera, Gianmarco Serra PRODUCERS Isabel Herguera, Chelo Loureiro, Mariano Ramírez, Fabian Driehorst PRODUCTION COM-PANIES Fabian&Fred (Germany), Sultana Films (Spain), Abano Producións (Spain), El Gatoverde Producciones (Spain) RUNTIME 75 min LANGUAGES Spanish, English, Bengali, Hindi





THE MUCKLAS AND HOW THEY CAME TO PETTSON AND FINDUS DIE MUCKLAS UND WIE SIE ZU PETTERSSON UND FINDUS KAMEN

Mucklas are little creatures that need chaos to live happily. They stay hidden to the human eye but can be smelled once in a while. They are known as housemates of Pettson and Findus. But before they made themselves at home on the farmyard of the two, they had been living in a nostalgic and chaotic general store for generations. There they could pinch everything they needed and led a joyful life. But when the shopkeeper dies, they have to deal with the new owner - a real fanatic of order and cleanliness. And even worse: an exterminator who sets out to evict his little tenants once and for all. So a group of three little Mucklas, Svunja, Tjorben and Smartö, embarks on a journey to find a new home and save their tribe. In order to overcome the challenges of this adventurous expedition they have to grow into a team first, in keeping with the Mucklas' motto "Never just I alone, always WE together!".

GENRE Action/ Adventure, Feature Animation, Children's Film, Family Entertainment YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2022 DIRECTOR Ali Samadi Ahadi CO-DIRECTOR Markus Dietrich SCREENPLAY Thomas Springer, based on the children's books by Sven Nordqvist WITH VOICES OF Uwe Ochsenknecht, ChrisTine Urspruch, Stefan Kurt, Marianne Sägebrecht, André Jung, Roxana Samadi, Marcel Mann, Ali Samadi Ahadi PRODUCERS Helmut G. Weber, Talin Özbalik, Thomas Springer CO-PRODUCERS Marc Gabizon, Sonja Ewers, Frank Geiger, André Fetzer, Bady Minck, Mohammad Farokhmanesh PRODUCTION COMPANY Tradewind Pictures (Germany) CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES Amour Fou (Luxembourg), Senator Film Produktion, Little Dream Entertainment RUNTIME 81min LANGUAGE Germany Wild Bunch Germany

THE AMAZING MAURICE MAURICE DER KATER

Maurice, a streetwise cat, has the perfect money-making scam. He has found a stupid kid who plays a pipe, and his very own plague of rats - rats who, strangely, are educated and literate, so Maurice can no longer think of them as "lunch". And everyone knows the stories about rats and pipers ... However, when Maurice and the rodents reach the stricken town of Bad Blintz, their little con goes down the drain. For someone there is playing a different tune. A dark, shadowy tune. Something very, very bad is waiting in the cellars. But Maurice wouldn't be Maurice if he and his friends didn't manage to save the day in the end!

GENRE Comedy, Family Entertainment, Animated Feature YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2022 DIRECTOR Toby Genkel CO-DIRECTOR Florian Westermann SCREENPLAY Terry Rossio, adapted from Terry Pratchett's novel "The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents" WITH VOICES OF English: Hugh Laurie, Emilia Clarke, David Thewlis, Himesh Patel, Gemma Arterton, David Tennant, Joe Sugg. German: Bastian Pastevka, Jerry Hoffmann, Janin Ullmann PRODUCERS Emely Christians, Andrew Baker, Robert Chandler PRO-DUCTION COMPANIES Ulysses Filmproduktion (Germany), Cantilever Media (United Kingdom), Sky (United Kingdom) RUNTIME 85 min LANGUAGE English OV FESTIVALS Sundance Film Festival 2023: Kids, Nantes Science Fiction Filmfest 2022: Compétition Internationale AWARD Nantes Science Fiction Filmfest 2022: Audience Award WORLD SALES Global Screen - a TELEPOOL brand





BUTTERFLY TALE

BUTTERFLY TALE is a tale of adventure, self-realization and heroism told with humor whose message is that differences are less important than the bonds we share, and it is in adversity that our true character shines through.

GENRE Comedy, Adventure, Family, Animated Feature YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2022 DIRECTOR Sophie Roy SCREENPLAY Heidi Foss, Lienne Sawatsky WITH VOICES OF Mena Massoud, Tatiana Maslany PRODUCERS Emely Christians, Marie-Claude Beauchamp PRODUCTION COMPANIES Ulysses Filmproduktion (Germany), Carpe Diem (Canada) RUNTIME 83 min LANGUAGE English OV FESTIVAL ITFS Stuttgart 2021: Animation Screenplay AWARD ITFS Stuttgart 2021: German Animation Screenplay Award WORLD SALES Pink Parrot Media

ELLI AND THE GHOSTLY GHOST TRAIN ELLI - UNGEHEUER GEHEIM

Even a ghost needs somebody to love. All Elli wanted was a family to love. But finding one turned out to be a ghostly affair. When a homeless little ghost knocks on the door to the eccentric residents of a Ghost Train on the lookout for a place to belong, she accidentally attracts the attention from the "outsideworld" and must team up with the motley crew of monsters on a crazy quest to save not only the future of the Ghost Train but also her only chance to finally have a family of her own.

GENRE Animation, Comedy, Adventure, Family Entertainment YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2023 DIRECTORS Piet de Rycker, Jesper Møller SCREENPLAY Jesper Møller, Piet de Rycker, based on the children's book "Elli - Ungeheuer Geheim" by Klaus Baumgart PRO-DUCERS Lilian Klages, Thomas G. Müller CO-PRODUCERS Michael Luda, Marie Claude Beauchamp PRODUCTION COMPANY Dreamin' Dolphin Film & Zooper Film CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES TRAUMHAUS Studios (Germany), Carpe Diem (Canada) RUN-TIME 81 min LANGUAGE English OV WORLD SALES Pink Parrot Media





THE LAST WHALE SINGER DER LETZTE SÄNGER DER WALE

When a monstrous creature breaks free from a melting iceberg, a teenage humpback whale must confront his fears and venture to the deepest sea with his companions to save the oceans from destruction by summoning his mystical song.

GENRE Animation, Children's Film, Family Entertainment, Animated Feature YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2023 DIRECTOR Reza Memari SCREENPLAY Reza Memari PRODUCER Maite Woköck CO-PRODUCERS Fanny-Laure Malo, Jiri Mika PRODUCTION COMPANY Telescope Animation (Germany) CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES La Boîte à Fanny (Canada), PFX (Czech Republic) RUNTIME 85 min LANGUAGE English OV AWARD ITFS Stuttgart 2020: German Animation Screenplay Award WORLD SALES Global Screen – a TELEPOOL brand

QUIXOTES - THE HEIRS OF LA MANCHA QUIXOTES - DIE ERBEN VON LA MANCHA

11-year-old Alfonso, heir of Don Quixote, and his three imaginary and musical rabbits, are joined by Pancho and Victoria to save their beloved town of La Mancha from a huge storm, caused by an evil corporation who wants to own the land. Along the way, Alfonso discovers the power of friendship and falls in love for the first time.

GENRE Animation, Children's Film, Family Entertainment, Animated Feature YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2022 DIRECTOR Gonzalo Gutierrez SCREENPLAY Carlos Kotkin, Pablo Ricardo Biondi, Gonzalo Gutierrez PRODUCERS Martin Krieger, Thorsten Wegener, Florencia Lemoine, Gonzalo Gutierrez, Holger Weiss, Dominique Schuchmann CO-PRODUCER Benjamin Ey PRODUCTION COM-PANIES Studio 100 Media, M.A.R.K.13 COM, GF Films RUNTIME 85 min LANGUAGE English OV WORLD SALES Studio 100 Film





RICHARD THE STORK 2 AND THE MYSTERY OF THE GREAT JEWEL ÜBERFLIEGER 2 - UND DAS GEHEIMNIS DES GROSSEN JUWELS

Richard, the daring sparrow who was adopted by a stork family, is enjoying wintering at the Great Lake in Northern Africa, when he realises he won't be the one to lead the flock back north. Therefore, he runs away to travel on his own. On his journey he meets Samia and her sparrow flock, who are being held captive by evil marabous under the control of the greedy peacock Zamano. The only chance of freedom for the sparrows is to solve a riddle and find the Great Jewel, which will call upon teamwork, trust and most of all spork skills.

GENRE Animation, Children's Film, Family Entertainment, Animated Feature YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2023 DIRECTORS Mette Rank Tange, Benjamin Quabeck SCREENPLAY Reza Memari, Philip LaZebnik, Benjamin Quabeck, Mette Rank Tange WITH VOICES OF Jay Myers, Kyra Jackson, Simona Berman, Blake Farha, Jeffrey Hylton, Tim Heller PRODUCERS Kristine Knudsen, Lan Rommel CO-PRO-DUCERS Eric Goossens, Anton Robben, Elisabeth Opdal, Eirik Smidesang Slåen, Maria Ekerhov PRODUCTION COMPANY Knudsen Pictures (Germany) CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES Walking the Dog (Belgium), Den siste skilling (Norway) RUNTIME 85 min LANGUAGE English OV WORLD SALES Indie Sales





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