

Press Release

Berlinale Competition 2008 Complete: Eight More Films

The *Competition* programme of the 58th Berlin International Film Festival is complete. In addition to the 18 titles already announced (press releases: Dec. 10, 2007, Jan. 9 and 15, 2008), the final eight *Competition* titles have been confirmed. The selection now includes the following production countries: Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, Great Britain, Italy, Austria, Poland, Israel, Canada, USA, Brazil, Mexico, Iran, Japan, the Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of China, as well as Hong Kong, China.

The Competition programme is presenting 18 world premieres.

Ballast USA - International Premiere by Lance Hammer (*Berlinale Talent Campus* 2004) with Micheal J. Smith, Jim Myron Ross, Tarra Riggs

Bam gua Nat (Night and Day) Republic of Korea - World Premiere by Hong Sangsoo (Woman on the Beach, Panorama 2007) with Kim Youngho, Park Eunhye, Hwang Soojung

Closing Film:

Be Kind Rewind USA - International Premiere (Out of competition) by Michel Gondry (*The Science of Sleep, Competition* 2006) with Jack Black, Mos Def, Danny Glover, Mia Farrow, Melonie Diaz

Fireflies in the Garden USA - World Premiere (Out of competition) by Dennis Lee with Julia Roberts, Ryan Reynolds, Willem Dafoe, Emily Watson

Il y a longtemps que je t'aime (l've Loved You So Long)
France/Germany - World Premiere
by Philippe Claudel
with Kristin Scott Thomas, Elsa Zylberstein, Serge Hazanavicius,
Laurent Grevill

Musta Jaä (Black Ice) Finland/Germany - International Premiere by Petri Kotwica with Outi Mäenpää, Ria Kataja, Martti Suosala, Ville Virtanen 58. Internationale Filmfestspiele Berlin 07. – 17.02.2008

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The Other Boleyn Girl USA/Great Britain - World Premiere (Out of competition)
by Justin Chadwick
with Natalie Portman, Scarlett Johansson, Eric Bana

Avaze Gonjeshk-ha (The Song of Sparrows) Iran - World Premiere by Majid Majidi (The Colour of Paradise, Kinderfilmfest/14plus 2000) with Reza Najie, Maryam Akbari, Kamran Dehghan, Hossein Aghazi

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