

## **Press Release**

Berlinale 2009: Panorama Audience Award

The audience has decided: the 11th *Panorama* Audience Award - organized by "radioeins" of rbb (Berlin-Brandenburg's public radio and television station), Berlin's city magazine "tip", and the Berlinale's *Panorama* section - goes to:

The Yes Men Fix The World (USA 2009), directed by: Mike Bonanno, Andy Bichlbaum, Kurt Engfehr.

This year the *Panorama* Audience Award is celebrating its tenth anniversary. To mark the occasion, artist Christian Bilger has designed a new sculpture that will be presented for the first time this year. The official award ceremony will be held on the last day of the Festival, Sunday, February 15, 2009, at 5 pm in the CinemaxX 7 at Potsdamer Platz. Radioeins editor-inchief Florian Barckhausen, tip editor-in chief Heiko Zwirner, and *Panorama* director Wieland Speck will present the award. Radioeins film expert Knut Elstermann will host the presentation. Following the ceremony, the winner of this year's *Panorama* Audience Award will be re-screened.

Once again, moviegoers of the 59th Berlin International Film Festival were asked to cast their ballot cards or vote online for films shown in the *Panorama* section. A total of 21.000 votes were cast and counted. This year the *Panorama* presented 48 productions, 16 of which screened in the *Panorama Dokumente* series.

Winner of the Panorama Audience Award 2009:

The Yes Men Fix The World

USA 2009, directed by: Mike Bonanno, Andy Bichlbaum, Kurt Engfehr

2nd place - Panorama Audience Award 2009:

Welcome

France 2008, directed by: Philippe Lioret

3rd place - Panorama Audience Award 2009:

Der Knochenmann

Austria 2008, directed by: Wolfgang Murnberger

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