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Abracadabra
by Amay Mehrishi | with Advay Pradhan, Arsh Victor Suri, Anvishaa Tyagi, Ira Chitalia, Supriya Sawant
United Kingdom / India 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Short Film
On a school bus ride that feels both endless and fleeting, Agastya wrestles with identity, guilt and unspoken emotions when his best friend chooses to sit elsewhere.

A Fabulosa Máquina do Tempo (*The Fabulous Time Machine* | *Die fabelhafte Zeitmaschine*)
by Eliza Capai | with Manuellinha, Manu, Sophia
Brazil 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Documentary form
In the arid Brazilian hinterland, girls play poised between their mothers' difficult pasts and fantastic dreams for the future. In a place where men are still seen as giants compared to women, the girls cross the threshold from childhood into adolescence.

A Family
by Mees Peijnenburg | with Finn Vogels, Celeste Holsheimer, Carice van Houten, Pieter Embrechts
Netherlands / Belgium 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere
Caught in the crossfire of their parents' divorce, Nina and Eli are torn between loyalty, anger and a longing to be seen. Through their mirrored perspectives the same story unfolds, revealing how love can fracture and still find its way home.

Allá en el cielo (*Nobody Knows the World*)
by Roddy Dextre | with Ransés Naranjo Franco, Gabriel Merino Dorival, Kenyi Farfán Baique, Santiago Solórzano Zevallos
Peru 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
In the outskirts of Lima, eleven-year-old Chito cares for the carrier pigeons used in his brother's drug trade. After violence shatters his childhood, grief and a tender gesture of humanity open the possibility of another destiny.

Atlasul universului (*Atlas of the Universe* | *Atlas des Universums*)
by Paul Negoescu | with Matei Donciu, Johanna Mild, Călin Petru, Sofia Marinescu, Marin Grigore
Romania / Bulgaria 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere
After mistakenly buying two right-footed shoes, ten-year-old Filip sets off across the countryside to find the missing left one. An unexpected journey of courage, friendship and self-discovery.

Bats & Bugs (*Nachtschwärmer*)
by Lena von Döhren
Switzerland 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Animation | Short Film
When a streetlamp lights up on a country road in the jungle, a group of insects goes crazy – which proves to be handy for the hungry bats in a nearby cave.

Black Burns Fast
by Sandulela Asanda | with Esihle Ndleleni, Muadi Ilung, Mila Smith, Khensani Khoza, Ntsimedi Gwangwa
South Africa 2025
Generation 14plus | International premiere | Debut film
Adorkable Luthando is on track for an ordinary year at the prestigious boarding school she attends on scholarship – until the arrival of a new girl in her class ignites Luthando's suppressed desires and threatens her self-image and relationships.

C'est ma sœur (*That's My Sister*)
by Zoé Pelchat | with Florence Saint-Yves, Anne Florence, Stéphane Jacques, Pascale Desrochers, Alexandre Bergeron
Canada 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
When Camille, a teenager with Down's syndrome, auditions for a dance troupe, her sister Agathe discovers the quiet cruelty of prejudice – and the fierce love that fights back.

Chicas Tristes (*Sad Girlz*)
by Fernanda Tovar | with Rocio Guzmán, Darana Álvarez, Tatsumi Milori, Tomás García-Agraz, Mónica del Carmen
Mexico / Spain / France 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Debut film
La Maestra and Paula are inseparable friends and the strongest swimmers on their team, until an incident at a party forces them to choose between silence and speaking out, testing the limits of their friendship.

Cuando llegue a casa (*When I Get Home*)
by Edgar Adrián | with Ricardo Martínez, María Rojo, Alise Cortéz, Zahid Estrada, Antonio Venegas
Mexico 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
Paco, a teenager from Guadalajara, explores his identity through his friendship with Andrea and his attraction to Mario. This tests his bond with his grandmother as he prepares for the feast of the patron saint.

En Route To
by Yoo Jaein | with Sim Subin, Lee Jiwon, Jang Sun
South Korea 2025
Generation 14plus | International premiere | Debut film
Following the disappearance of her teacher, the pregnant pupil Yun-ji is left all alone. To pay for an abortion, she steals the savings of her roommate, Kyung-sun. A film about the right over one's own body, about society and community.

En, ten, týky! (*Eeny, Meeny, Miny, Moe!* | *Ene, mene, muh!*)
by Andrea Szelesová
Czechia / Slovakia 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Animation | Short Film
Yios, a lonely mythical boy whose head shines like the sun, struggles to make friends in the clouds. After an unfortunate prank sends him down to Earth, an unexpected encounter challenges the way he sees himself.

Entotsumachi no Poupelle – Yakusoku no Tokeidai (*Chimney Town: Frozen in Time* | *Stadt der Schornsteine: In der Zeit gefangen*)
by Hirota Yusuke | with Nagase Yuzuna, Kubota Masataka
Japan 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Animation
After losing his friend Poupelle, young Lubicchi wanders into a mysterious realm where a tower clock is frozen at 11:59. To return home, he must restart it – and find the courage to believe again.

Feito Pipa (*Gugu's World* | *Gugus Welt*)
by Allan Deberton | with Yuri Gomes, Teca Pereira, Lázaro Ramos, Carlos Francisco, Georgina Castro
Brazil 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere
Gugu, an almost-twelve-year-old boy with football dreams, is raised in the accepting care of his grandmother, Dilma. As she becomes increasingly frail and their world shifts, he struggles to protect the place where he is free to be who he is.

Ghost School (*Geisterschule*)
by Seemab Gul | with Nazualiya Arsalan, Samina Seher, Adnan Shah Tipu, Vajdaan Shah, Muhammad Zaman
Pakistan / Germany / Saudi Arabia 2025
Generation Kplus | European premiere | Debut film
Ten-year-old Rabia wants to know why her school has suddenly closed. Rumours are rife in the village and the authorities are no help. Courageously setting out to find the truth, Rabia navigates rural superstitions, local corruption and a wall of silence.

Hotel Oblique
by Merlin Flügel
Germany 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Animation | Short Film
A budgie finds itself in a luxurious wellness hotel that promises stressed birds peace and relaxation. But between the lulling sound of the fountains and soothing massages, it longs only to return to the safety of its cage.

Imaginarni brojevi (*Imaginary Numbers* | *Imaginäre Zahlen*)
by Jelica Jerinić | with Goran Bogdan, Maša Radusin, Milica Trifunović, Milica Janevski, Aleksandar Milojević
Serbia / Croatia 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Short Film
Mirna and her father take the bus from their village to the city of Niš for her to participate in the national mathematics competition. It is a big day: winning an award could gain her a place at a prestigious school and pave the way to a better future.

Jülapüin Yonna (*The Dream of Dance*)
by Luzbeidy Monterrosa Atencio | with Luznery Epieyu, Margarita Barrios, Jose Vicente
Colombia 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
In the heart of the Alta Guajira, 15-year-old Weinshi, a girl from the Wayuu people whose name means “Time”, begins to hear an ancestral calling in her dreams: the earth must be healed through her people’s sacred dance, the Yonna.

Lángbogár a zsebemben (*Fire in My Pocket* | *Feuer in der Hosentasche*)
by Janka Feiner
Hungary 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Animation | Short Film
A little boy, bored with building a bed, seeks something more exciting. A mischievous fire creature lures him into a magical mushroom world, where anything is possible and adventure awaits – beyond his father’s reach.

Mambo Kids
by Emanuele Tresca | with Alessandro Nicola Bernardo, Flavio Condemi
Italy 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
On a quiet late-summer day, Alessandro and Flavio set out in search of the last secrets of their city. Sitting on the branch of a large cherry tree, they wait for the night. A beer with friends, mopeds heading home, and a farewell.

Matapanki
by Diego "Mapache" Fuentes | with Ramón Gávez, Diego Bravo, Antonia McCarthy, Rosa Peñaloza, Rodrigo Lisboa
Chile 2025
Generation 14plus | European premiere | Debut film
After gaining alcohol-fuelled superpowers, Ricardo, a young punk from the outskirts, sets out to change society. But one brutal mistake ignites an international conflict, with him at the centre of the storm.

Memories of a Window
by Mehraneh Salimian, Amin Pakparvar
USA / Iran 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Documentary form | Short Film
Following crackdowns on protests in Iran, civilians begin documenting the unrest from behind windows. When a woman is shot while recording, a film student writes her a letter raising the question: Can a revolution emerge from behind windows?

Ni chui do wo chui si (*Tutti*)
by Zhuang Rong Zuo | with Liu Rong Chen, Wu Shao Yu
Taiwan 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Short Film
Rong Chen would like to keep her place in the recorder group, Shao Yu wants to give up playing. She asks him for tips, and by practicing together, they not only improve their skills, but also learn something much more important from each other.

Ni’er (*The Girl*)
by Tan Yucheng | with Wang Zhiyun, Hou Ruining
People’s Republic of China 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
Seventeen-year-old Ni’er feels trapped between her monotonous daily grind at a petrol station and the weight of family expectations. A fleeting encounter with a female truck driver radiating freedom and self-determination sparks a quiet revolution within her.

No Salgas (*Don’t Come Out*)
by Victoria Linares Villegas | with Cecile van Welie, Gabriela Cortés, Camila Issa, Camila Santana, Mariela Guerrero
Dominican Republic 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere
After her girlfriend’s death, Liz hides her true self until a weekend trip with friends awakens forbidden desires. The result is paranoia and violence that consumes the group as Liz’s secret unleashes a deadly force.

Not a Hero (*Kein Held*)
by Rima Das | with Bhuman Bhargav Das, Sukanya Boruah, Mrinmoy Das
India / Singapore 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere
Exiled from city comforts to his ancestral village, Mivan meets his embittered aunt, befriends a horse and joins the local kids on wild adventures, discovering the beauty of life and a courage he never knew he had.

Öömõtted (*A Serious Thought* | *Nachtgedanken*)
by Jonas Taul | with Harriet Toompere
Estonia 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Animation | Short Film
When a boy has trouble falling asleep at night, he begins to ponder his place in the world. If the Earth is just a small marble flying through space, and he is only one child among many, what is the meaning of his existence?

Papaya
by Priscilla Kellen
Brazil 2025
Generation Kplus | International premiere | Debut film | Animation
Papaya, a tiny seed in the Amazon rainforest who is passionate about flying, must keep moving to avoid taking root. But when she discovers the power of her roots, it triggers a revolution that transforms her world and fulfils her dreams in an unexpected way.

Quatro Meninas (*Four Girls*)
by Karen Suzane | with Alana Cabral, Ágatha Marinho, Dhara Lopes, Maria Ibraim, Duda Batsow
Brazil / Netherlands 2025
Generation 14plus | International premiere | Debut film
Four enslaved girls dream of freedom. When a turn of events puts their lives at risk, they decide to run away. Their mistresses discover the plan – and to the girls' surprise insist on going with them.

Riding Time (*Reitend*)
by Roopa Gogineni, Farhaan Mumtaz
United Kingdom / France 2025
Generation Kplus | International premiere | Documentary form | Short Film
Horse-obsessed Jaleal comes of age on the West Yorkshire moors while carrying forward the ancient cavalry sport of Neza Bazi. Filmed over three summers, this joyful portrait blows the dust off traditional tales of Empire, migration and belonging.

Scorching
by Wang Beidi | with Lv Jiaxin, Li Li, Xu Qinghe
People’s Republic of China 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Short Film
Li Yan’s life is as regimented as the production lines in the local poultry factory. Her grandmother is determined to get her a job there, but Li Yan refuses. Obsessed with the mystery of life and creation, she secretly attempts to hatch a stolen egg.

Speedy!
by Oh Jiin | with Kim Gyuna, Lee Kyoung Hoon, Hong Sungchoon, Leen Seung-Min, Ban Hae Young
South Korea 2025
Generation Kplus | International premiere | Short Film
Seoul, 1989. Jung-min wants to become a speed-reading prodigy, just like Dong-hyun – the coolest guy in town who can finish an entire book in just 60 seconds! But things do not go exactly as she expected.

Spî (*White* | *Weiß*)
by Navroz Shaban | with Rewan Nizar
Iraqi Kurdistan Region 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Short Film
In a small village classroom, a teacher often transforms the blackboard with a simple white sheet. When it is taken for a burial rite, the children refuse to let their moment slip away – and set out to reclaim what they were promised.

Sunny Dancer
by George Jaques | with Bella Ramsey, Daniel Quinn-Toye, Ruby Stokes, Earl Cave, Jasmine Elcock
United Kingdom 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | English audio description offered
As if conquering cancer wasn’t hard enough, 17-year-old Ivy’s parents sign her up to spend her summer at what she calls “chemo camp”, where she manages to find unexpected friends in a group of misfits and has a summer she’ll never forget.

Tegenwoordig heet iedereen Sorry (*Everyone’s Sorry Nowadays* | *Heute heißen alle Sorry*)
by Frederike Migom | with Lisa Vanhemelrijck, Laurence Roothooft, Sachli Gholamalizad, Lewis Hannes, Lewis Gérard
Belgium / Netherlands / Germany 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere
On a sweltering summer day, Bianca feels unseen by her parents. An unexpected encounter with her favourite female actor, Billie King, helps her to find herself. A tender, imaginative tale about dreams and carving out a space for yourself in life.

The Lights, They Fall
by Saša Vajda | with Mohammed Yassin Ben Majdouba, Flor Prieto Catemaxca, Mahira Hakberdieva, Safet Bajraj, Shanthi Philipp
Germany 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | German audio description offered | Debut film
Sixteen-year-old Ilay drifts through the summer on the outskirts of Berlin while a palliative nurse accompanies his ailing mother during her last days.

The Thread
by Fenn O'Meally | with Anaya Thorley, Tyrelle Boyce, David Gyasi, Lucy Phelps, Thea Butler
United Kingdom 2025
Generation 14plus | International premiere | Short Film
Grace is born of dual heritage: she has a white British mother and a Black Jamaican father. As she reaches her early teens, Grace takes her identity into her own hands and begins to navigate how to exist as a young woman, fully Black, fully white.

Under the Wave off Little Dragon (*Unter der Welle vor Little Dragon*)
by Luo Jian | with Wang Kexin, Jessica Dong
United Kingdom 2025
Generation Kplus | European premiere | Short Film
When her goldfish dies, six-year-old Feifei sets off through a small Welsh seaside town in search of answers. Her journey leads her to reimagine a folktale from her mother’s homeland – on her own terms.

Whale 52 – Suite for Man, Boy, and Whale (*Wal 52 – Suite für Mann, Junge und Wal*)
by Daniel Neiden | with Bruce Vilanch, Parker Allana Hughes
USA 2026
Generation Kplus | International premiere | Animation | Short Film
A quiet boy and a silently grieving widower who volunteers at the boy’s school discover a magical pen and journal that enable them to hear each other with a listening heart.

What Will I Become?
by Lexie Bean, Logan Rozos
USA 2026
Generation 14plus | World premiere | Debut film | Documentary form
Co-directors Lexie and Logan weave together the stories of two trans boys who died by suicide and their trans masculine+ community, offering resources and imagination for a way forward.

Yerçekimi (*Gravity* | *Schwerkraft*)
by Dalya Keleş | with Sudem Berin-Dinç, Mustafa Konak, İpek Çattım
Turkey 2026
Generation Kplus | World premiere | Short Film
Deniz plays happily with her best friend Umut at their secret hideout. But at school, she is excluded by the boys and also fails to fit in with the girls. Then, a childhood dream becomes true and takes on a new meaning.