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Jury President 2002

Indian director Mira Nair will be President of the International Jury of the 52nd Berlinale 2002. She scored her first international triumph with her feature debut *Salaam Bombay* in 1988. A success with both audiences and critics, it won the Camera d'Or in Cannes, as well as 25 international awards. It was also nominated for an Academy Award as Best Foreign Language Film. Nair's next works included the feature films *Mississippi Masala* and *Kama Sutra*.

Mira Nair studied in New Delhi and Harvard before launching her film career in the USA where she worked with the famous documentary director D. A. Pennebaker.

"I'm absolutely delighted that Mira Nair will be the Jury President for the coming Berlinale," Festival director Dieter Kosslick exclaimed. "She is a most committed director and a marvelous filmmaker who loves the magic of the cinema. She has enraptured international audiences with such magic over and over again in her own movies."

"I accept this honor with humility and look forward to my first time in the great city of Berlin," Mira Nair said after she was appointed as Jury President of the Berlinale 2002.

Mira Nair's last film, *Monsoon Wedding*, won this year's Golden Lion in Venice.

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