News

Berlinale 2003: *Retrospective* Friedrich Wilhelm Murnau

The *Retrospective* of the Berlinale in February 2003 will be dedicated to Friedrich Wilhelm Murnau (1888-1931), the great German director of the silent film era. Among his most important films were *Nosferatu*, *The Last Laugh* (*Der letzte Mann*) and *Faust*. Murnau emigrated to America in 1926, where he directed the films *Sunrise* and *City Girl*, among others. His last film was the *South Seas romance Tabu*. Murnau died after a traffic accident in March 1931.

In the Berlinale's *Retrospective*, organized by the Film Museum Berlin-Deutsche Kinemathek, his twelve preserved films are to be screened in new, in part restored prints. Hans Helmut Prinzler, director of the Film Museum Berlin, will be in charge of the *Retrospective*. Wolfgang Jacobsen, the director of the *Retrospective* until now, has been, at his own request, entrusted with new responsibilities in the Filmmuseum Berlin - Deutsche Kinemathek. A publication and complementary programme will be prepared to accompany the *Retrospective*.

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