

Press Release



Berlinale 2008: First Films Selected for the *Panorama*

Next to renowned directors like Laetitia Masson, Brad Anderson or Lucia Murat, newcomers like Javier Gutierrez from Spain or Özgür Yildirim from Germany will present their works in the *Panorama* 2008. Music star Madonna will give her directorial debut alongside the works of underground star Bruce LaBruce and TEDDY winner 2007, Zero Chou from Taiwan.

Thirteen films give a first lively glimpse of this year's world cinema creations. From the start, it has been the mission of the *Panorama* to discover films for the cinema programme of the coming arthouse season and to provide the market with inspiration. In 2008, documentaries will again make a strong showing: from a total of 50 full-length films approximately one third will be documentaries.

During the Berlinale, more than 20,000 moviegoers will again participate in the *Panorama Audience Awards*, which are to be presented on February 17, 2008.

The *Panorama Dokumente* and the complete programme of feature films will be announced in January. So far the following films have been confirmed for the Main Programme and the *Panorama Special*:

Boy A by John Crowley, UK
with Andrew Garfield, Peter Mullan, Katie Lyons

Chiko by Özgür Yildirim, Germany (World Premiere)
with Denis Moschitto, Moritz Bleibtreu, Volkan Özcan

Coupable by Laetitia Masson, France (World Premiere)
with Helene Fillieres, Jeremie Renier, Amira Casar

Eskalofrío by Isidro Ortiz, Spain (World Premiere)
with Junio Valverde, Mar Sodupe, Francesc Orella

Filth And Wisdom by Madonna, UK (World Premiere)
with Stephen Graham, Richard E. Grant, Eugene Hutz

Jas Sum Od Titov Veles (I am from Titov Veles)
by Teona Strugar Mitevska, Macedonia/France/Belgium/Slovenia
with Labina Mitevska, Ana Kostovska, Nikolina Kujaca

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Maré, Nossa história de amor (Another Love Story)

by Lucia Murat, Brasil

with Cristina Lago, Vinicius D'Black, Marisa Orth

Megane by Naoko Ogigami, Japan

with Satomi Kobayashi, Mikako Ichikawa, Ryo Kase

Otto; or, up with dead people by Bruce LaBruce, Germany/Canada (World Premiere)

with Jey Crisfar, Katharina Klewinghaus, Susanne Sachsse

Piao Lang Qing Chun (Drifting Flowers) by Zero Chou, Taiwan (World Premiere)

with Serena Fang, Pai Chih-ying, Chao Yi-lan

The Amazing Truth About Queen Raquela

by Olaf de Fleur Johannesson, Iceland (World Premiere)

with Raquela Rios, Stefan Schaefer, Olivia Galudo

Transsiberian by Brad Anderson, Spain/Germany/UK/Lithuania

with Ben Kingsley, Thomas Kretschmann, Emily Mortimer, Woody Harrelson, Eduardo Noriega

Tres días (Before Fall) by Javier Gutierrez, Spain (World Premiere)

with Víctor Clavijo, Mariana Cordero, Eduardo Fernández

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