

Press Release



***Perspektive Deutsches Kino*: Jan Henrik Stahlberg to be Jury President of "Dialogue en perspective" / Looking for a Young Jury!**

The French-German Youth Office (FGYO), official partner of the Berlinale, is calling for applications for the "Dialogue en perspective" jury in the *Perspektive Deutsches Kino* section.

Starting now, young film lovers can apply to become jury members for the independent Berlinale award "Dialogue en perspective". The prize is donated by the FGYO, and will be awarded at the 62nd Berlin International Film Festival (February 9 - 19, 2012) to a film in the *Perspektive Deutsches Kino* section. In 2012, director, actor and screenwriter Jan Henrik Stahlberg will preside over the jury of the "Dialogue en perspective" award.

Three German and three French cineastes as well as a jury member from a third country, aged between 18 and 29, will be selected. The jury will award the prize in 2012 for the ninth time. All those who have a passion for discussing films, and who are able to express themselves in both German and French, can apply. The FGYO offers young people who enjoy lively debates with other film lovers the unique chance to experience and actively participate in the Berlinale 2012.

The deadline for applications is Wednesday, November 23, 2011.

The seven jury members will be invited to Berlin for the entire festival. They will attend all screenings of the *Perspektive Deutsches Kino* during the Berlinale, and afterwards present the award to the director of the winning film.

For the French-German Youth Office, the aim of the "Dialogue en perspective" prize is to promote an intercultural dialogue between young German and French audiences, and inspire interest for German film. The prize will be awarded to a film that appeals equally to critical young people of different cultural backgrounds. In 2011, the film *Die Ausbildung (The Apprenticeship)* by Dirk Lütter won the award.

For the terms and conditions for participation, go to: www.berlinale.de and www.dialogue-en-perspective.org.

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Jan Henrik Stahlberg: President of the "Dialogue en perspective" Jury

Director, screenwriter and actor Jan Henrik Stahlberg will preside over the "Dialogue en perspective" jury at the Berlinale 2012.

Jan Henrik Stahlberg was born in Neuwied/NRW in 1970 and went to France as an exchange student in 1986. He lived with a French family in northern France, in the town of Cambrai. When he returned to Germany he completed high school; afterwards he attended the renowned Belgian acting school IAD (Institut des Arts et de Diffusion) near Brussels. He remained there for five years, and performed at different theatres and in a number of French films.

Jan Henrik Stahlberg and the Berlinale go back a long way. He played his first lead role in the film *Science Fiction* (dir: Franz Müller), which premiered in the *Perspektive Deutsches Kino* section in 2003. Stahlberg is best known for his role as psychopathic do-gooder Mux in *Muxmäuschenstill* (dir: Marcus Mittermeier), a biting satire for which he also wrote the script and was again invited to the *Perspektive* (2004). His directorial debut, *Bye Bye Berlusconi!* (2006), and his most recent film, *Short Cut to Hollywood* (co-directed with Marcus Mittermeier, 2009), both screened in the *Panorama*.

"I look forward to discussing with young people films made by the next generation of directors," Jan Henrik Stahlberg remarks about the task he'll have as jury president. "I'm always interested in other people's opinions, especially because I rarely share them..."

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