

Press Release



Perspektive Deutsches Kino:

Marie Bäumer to be Jury President of “FGYO-Award Dialogue en perspective” 2015 / Looking for a Young Jury!

The Franco-German Youth Office (FGYO), official partner of the Berlinale, is calling for applications for the “FGYO-Award 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 “FGYO-Award Dialogue en perspective”. The prize is donated and endowed with 5,000 euros by the FGYO, and will be awarded at the 65th Berlin International Film Festival (February 5 - 15, 2015) to a film in the *Perspektive Deutsches Kino* section.

Seven German and French cineastes aged between 18 and 29 will be selected as members of the jury. German actress and director Marie Bäumer will be the jury president for the 12th edition of the award. All those who have a passion for discussing films and 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 2015.

The deadline for applications is Wednesday, November 5, 2014 (at midnight).

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

For the Franco-German Youth Office, the aim of the “FGYO-Award Dialogue en perspective” 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 2014, the film *Anderswo (Anywhere Else)* by Ester Amrami 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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Marie Bäumer - Jury President of the “FGYO-Award Dialogue en perspective”

Marie Bäumer is one of Germany’s best-known actresses and among the few who have achieved international recognition in the world of film. Born in Düsseldorf, she studied acting at the Hamburg School of Music and Theatre (HfMT) from 1994 to 1996.

Marie Bäumer celebrated her screen debut in Detlev Buck’s hit comedy *Männerpension (Jailbirds)* in 1996. For her outstanding performance in Oskar Roehler’s *Der alte Affe Angst (Angst)*, she won both the Bavarian Film Award in 2002 and the German Critics Association Award in 2003. In Dominik Graf’s prize-winning ten-part series *Im Angesicht des Verbrechens (In Face of the Crime)*, she gave a compelling performance in the role of Stella and won the German Television Award 2010 for a “special achievement in the field of fiction”. In 2014 she was also brilliant in the crime film *Intime conviction*, an ARTE France production. With 1.4 million viewers in France alone, it was a huge hit for this arts and culture channel. Besides being committed to acting, Marie Bäumer has also worked as a director. In January 2011 she made her directorial debut at the Hamburger Kammerspiele theatre with “Abschied”, a play she had written herself. Most recently Marie Bäumer could be seen on the big screen in *Irre sind männlich*, and French director Denis Dercourt’s drama *Zum Geburtstag (A Pact)*.

The prize-winning actress regularly commutes between Germany and France, yet her big love is and will always be her retreat in Provence. “I consider it a great gift to be able to live and work in both Germany and France. It is exciting to approach these two very different cultures in film. And as I know from teaching, it is also very rewarding to exchange ideas with upcoming generations. I am looking forward to this venture and our journey together!”

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