

56/80 Zlín Film Festival

POCTA VELIKÁNŮM—HONORING THE GREATS

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THE 56TH ZLÍN FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES THIS YEAR'S WINNERS

Zlín – The 56th Zlín Film Festival is over. Members of juries have seen 148 competing films and have decided about this year's winners. The wish of the organizers that the town becomes alive with the festival atmosphere has come true. The festival was also again lucky with the weather.

This year's Zlín Film Festival has almost come to an end. The International Film Festival for Children and Youth was attended by 125,000 visitors and 53 film delegations. The screenings were attended by 41,000 viewers. The supporting event with the highest number of visitors was the concert of the band Slza. Two of this year's new features, the French Alley and open-air dancing were a welcome refreshment of this year's supporting programme.

„We had a lot of films about sports or films featuring main children characters with very busy parent who don't have much time for them,“ says Markéta Pášmová, the artistic director of the festival, and continues: *„Another characteristic feature of this year's film programme was also a large number of directorial debuts, especially in the children's film section.“*

The most successful film of this year's 56th Zlín Film Festival was the Israeli film Abulele, taking a total of three festival awards - the Audience Award, the Children's Jury Award and the Ecumenical Jury Award.

This year's Zlín Film Festival was devoted to the 80th anniversary of the founding of the Zlín film studios and to French cinema. *„The upcoming 57th Zlín Film Festival should be devoted to the cinematographies of the countries of the former Austro-Hungarian empire, namely Hungary and Austria, as well as Switzerland, which was a neighbouring country then,“* said Čestmír Vančura, the festival president. The 57th Zlín Film Festival will be held between May 26 and June 2, 2017.

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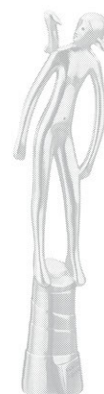
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STATISTICS – NUMBER OF VISITORS

Film screenings	41,000 spectators
Supporting programme	84,000 visitors
VISITORS TOTAL	125,000 festival visitors

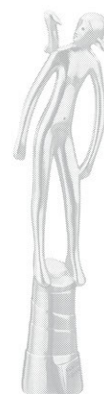
Compared with last year's festival, there was a mild drop in the number of cinema spectators (by 4,000), but the number of visitors of supporting events grew by 10,000 people. In total, the number of visitors of the 56 Zlín Film Festival grew by 5,000 people.

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FILM PROGRAMME

A total of 361 live-action, animated and combined films from 56 countries of the world were screened at the 56TH ZLÍN FILM FESTIVAL 2016.

Premieres

World premieres	14
International premieres	43
Czech premieres (first screenings in the Czech Republic)	135
Total number of premieres	192

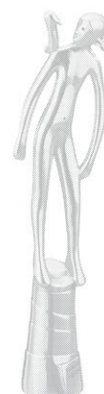
The winners list of individual sections is attached to the press release.

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FILM CLAPPERBOARDS

Auctions of film clapperboards created by prominent artists have long ago become one of the traditional events of the festival. A total of 2,174 clapperboards have been auctioned so far and 228 student audiovisual works of art have been supported from the proceeds. The tradition continued also during the 56th Zlín Film Festival. This year, the festival introduced works by 137 artists. For the first time, an electronic auction took place during which a clapperboard by Jan Saudek was auctioned. A clapperboard by Adolf Born, who died shortly before the beginning of the festival, was removed from the auction and the foundation fund will decide about its fate together with Mrs Bornová.

Clapperboards were exhibited between March 14 and May 28 in several locations in the Czech Republic. The public auction took place on Sunday, May 29, 2016 at 1 p.m. in the Great Hall of the Zlín Congress Centre. The proceeds from the auction reached a total of CZK 2,153,101, which represents a 25 % rise when compared with 2015.

For the 56th Zlín Film Festival, the FILMTALENT ZLÍN foundation fund has announced the second edition of a competition for financial support of visual and audiovisual works. A total of 33 students and emerging artists from the Czech Republic and Slovakia participated in the competition. A total of 12 projects reached the final round of the competition. Each participating team had 10 minutes to present their project to an expert jury. Ten were selected and received a total sum of sum of CZK 735,000.

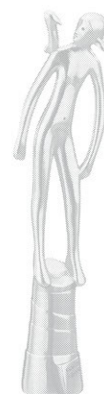
Among the most interesting supported projects are the animated film Episode 11 by Viktor Svoboda, student of Tomas Bata University in Zlín, Dužan Duong's docu-fiction Bo-Hai about Vietnamese children born in the Czech Republic. The managing board also put aside a sum of CZK 250,000 as a reserve for an additional support of projects of exceptional quality. Part of the money will be in line with the fund statutes spent on the organization of the project, printed materials, exhibitions, etc. The money that will not be spent will be transferred into the next accounting period. The newly introduced way of providing financial support to filmmakers from the Czech Republic and Slovakia will continue in the future years.

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PERSONALITIES OF THE 56TH ZLÍN FILM FESTIVAL

Czech Republic / Slovakia

Dagmar Havlová Veškrnová

Jiřina Bohdalová

Vojtěch Jasný

Aňa Geislerová

Ester Geislerová

Jan Potměšil

Dana Morávková

Jan Čenský

Jiří Strach

Klára Pollertová Trojanová

Vendula Pizingerová

Vladimír Polívka

Jiří Mádl

Marek Vašut

Veronika Žilková

Ondřej Pavelka

Lukáš Hejlík

Václav Vorlíček

Rudolf Jelínek

Janis Sidovský

Antonín Procházka

Zdeněk Piškula

Jiří Dvořák

Alena Mihulová

Martin Dejdar

Daniela Choděrová

Filip Blažek

Kateřina Brožová

Jan Adámek

Kristýna Kociánová

Václav Noid Bárta

Marek Němec

Hanka Kynychová

Lucie Hunčárová

Jan Onder

Pavel Nový

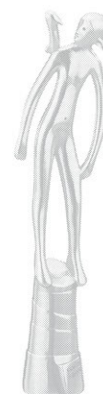
Tomáš Weinreb

Petr Kazda

David Suchařípa



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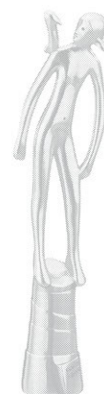
Kristýna Frejová
Petr Čtvrtníček
Jáchym Dimov
František Segrado
Jan Václavík
Mejla Basel
Marta Santovjácová Gertíková
Dušan Klein
Filip Antonio
Jaroslav Němeček
Petra Nesvačilová
Lenka Nežil Stárková
Chantal Poullain
Jan Cina
Marián Geišberg
Arnošt Goldflam
Vlastimil Harapes
Emily Hassmanová
Danica Jurčová
Ondřej Kepka
David Matásek
Matěj Merunka
Josef Polášek
Theodora Remundová
Toman Rychtera
Petr Oukropec
Richard Müller
Pavel Šporcl
Helena Vondráčková
Jaroslav Uhlíř
René Kořenář
Denisa Pfauserová

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Foreign guests

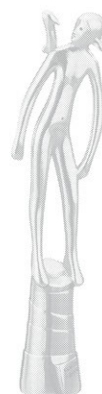
Tawfeek Barhom (Israel), actor
Daphné Patakia (Greece), actress
Kacey Mottet Klein (Switzerland), actor
Jackson Bews (UK), actor
Luca Coker (Denmark), actor
Frederik Meldal Nørgaard (Denmark), director
Monika Naydenova (Bulgaria), actress
Alexander Benev (Bulgaria), actor
Eliza Petkova (Germany), director
Anna Manolova (Germany), actress
Emilie Deleuze (France), screenwriter and director
Léna Magnien (France), actress
Mehran Amrohi (India), director
Laha Mebow (Taiwan), director and screenwriter
Catti Edfeldt (Sweden), director
Astrid Lövgren (Sweden), actress
Rock Demers (Canada), producer
Jonathan Geva (Israel), director
Yoav Sadian Rosenberg (Israel), actor
Mikhail Mestetskiy (Russia), director
Alexander Pal (Russia), actor
Bariş Kaya (Turkey), director
Alen Huseyin Gursoy (Turkey), actor
Sigrid Klausmann (Germany), director
Örs Bárczy (Hungary), director
Dóra Bárczy (Hungary), marketing
Mahnaz Yazdani (Iran), director
Loic Burkhardt (France), sound designer
Kirill Degtyar (Russia), actor
Elena Glikman (Russia), producer
Tim Clague (UK), director
Slobodan Maksimović (Slovenia), director
Alan Vitezić (Slovenia), producer
Malaurie Duffaud (France), singer

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DELEGATIONS AT THE 56TH ZFF 2016

Luca Coker (actor), **Frederik Meldal Nørgaard** (director), for the film **Villads from Valby** (Denmark)

Monika Naydenova (actress), **Alexander Benev** (actor), for the film **Thirst** (Bulgaria)

Eliza Petkova (director), **Anna Manolova** (actress), for the film **Zhaleika** (Germany)

Emilie Deleuze (screenwriter and director), **Léna Magnien** (actress), for the film **Miss Impossible** (France)

Tomáš Weinreb (director), **Petr Kazda** (director), for the film **I Olga Hepnarova** (Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia, France)

David Suchařípa (actor), **Kristýna Frejová** (actress), **Petr Čtvrtníček** (actor), **Jáchym Dimov** (actor), **František Segrado** (actor), **Jan Václavík** (actor), **Mejla Basel** (director and screenwriter), **Marta Santovjácová Gertíková** (screenwriter and director), for the film **Grandpa** (Czech Republic)

Mehran Amrohi (director), for the film **Chidiya** (India)

Dušan Klein (director), **Filip Antonio** (actor), **David Matásek** (actor), for the film **Poets are Waiting for a Miracle** (Czech Republic)

Laha Mebow (director and screenwriter), for the film **Hang in There, Kids!** (Taiwan)

Catti Edfeldt (director), **Astrid Lövgren** (actress), for the film **Siv Sleeps Astray** (Sweden)

Rock Demers (producer), for the films **Snowtime!** (Kanada) and **The Dog Who Stopped the War** (Canada)

Jonathan Geva (director), **Yoav Sadian Rosenberg** (actor), for the film **Abulele** (Israel)

Petr Oukropec (director), **Toman Rychtera** (actor), for the film **In Your Dreams** (Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria)

Kacey Motter Klein (actor), for the film **Keeper** (Belgium, Switzerland, France)

Mikhail Mestetskiy (director), **Alexander Pal** (actor), for the film **Rag Union** (Russia)

Bariş Kaya (director), **Alen Huseyin Gursoy** (actor), for the film **Rauf** (Turkey)

Jackson Bews (actor), for the film **Social Suicide** (UK)

Sigrid Klausmann (director), for the film **Not Without Us** (Germany)

Őrs Bárczy (director), **Dóra Bárczy** (marketing), for the film **Hey, Deer!** (Hungary)

Mahnaz Yazdani (director), for the film **It's Time to Sleep** (Iran)

Loic Burkhardt (sound designer), for the film **Phantom Boy** (Belgium, France)

Kirill Degtyar (actor), **Elena Glikman** (producer), for the film **The Pitch** (Russia)

Tim Clague (director), for the film **Who Killed Nelson Nutmeg?** (UK)

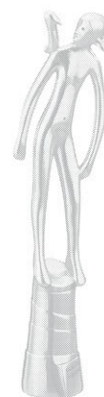
Slobodan Maksimović (director), **Alan Vitezić**, for the film **Nika** (Slovenia)

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INTERNATIONAL EXPERT JURY FOR FEATURE FILM FOR CHILDREN

- Thomas Heinemann - director, screenwriter, producer – Germany
- Barbara Bredero - director, producer – The Netherlands
- Olivier Ringer - director, screenwriter, producer - Belgium

INTERNATIONAL EXPERT JURY FOR FEATURE FILM FOR YOUTH

- Ivo Mathé - producer, screenwriter, teacher – Czech Republic
- Ann Vikstrom – programming director, Chicago ICFF - USA
- Olivier Horlait - director, producer – France

INTERNATIONAL EXPERT JURY FOR EUROPEAN FIRST FILMS

- Tereza Spáčilová – film journalist and critic – Czech Republic
- Miha Hočevar - director, screenwriter – Slovenia
- Mira Fornay - director, screenwriter - Slovakia

JOINT INTERNATIONAL JURY OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS FOR ANIMATED FILM

- Jiří Barta - director, animator, teacher – Czech Republic
- Dace Riduze - animator, director - Latvia
- Paul Wells - screenwriter, director, Animation Academy – UK
- Nela Sechterova – Austria
- Nina Petrikovičová - Slovakia
- David Iránek - Czech Republic

INTERNATIONAL EXPERT JURY FOR STUDENT FILMS

- Steven Wouterlood - director, producer - The Netherlands
- Vojtěch Frič - producer – Czech Republic
- Pierre Luc Granjon - animator, director – France

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S JURY FOR FEATURE FILMS FOR CHILDREN

- Damian Foltýn – France
- Keno Kirsch - Germany
- Adam Petráš – Czech Republic
- Helene Goebels - Germany
- Anna Klara Kouba – Germany

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S JURY FOR FEATURE FILMS FOR YOUTH

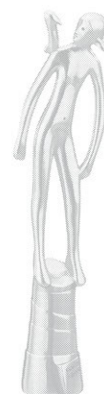
- Bernhard Sekkelsten - Norway
- Klára Řezáčová – Czech Republic
- Andrea Svendsberget - Norway
- Julia Wronska – Poland



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- **Kateřina Valachová**, Czech Minister of Education
- **Daniel Herman**, Czech Minister of Culture
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