

30. FILMFEST DRESDEN in numbers

Date: 17. – 22. April 2018

Entries: 2.200 films from 97 countries

Competition: 69 films from 29 countries

National Competition: 27 short films in 5 programmes

International Competition: 42 short films in 7 programmes

Special Programmes: 27

Awards and Prizes: 10 Golden Horsemen, 4 special prizes

Prize Money: € 67,000

Festival Locations: 11

About FILMFEST DRESDEN – International Short Film Festival

FILMFEST DRESDEN (www.filmfest-dresden.de/en), which was founded in 1989, is counted among the most renowned and best-endowed short film festivals in Europe. Each year over the six festival days in mid-April, it brings the latest short film productions from Germany, Europe and the world to the capital of Saxony, and attracts about 25,000 visitors, including 550 accredited media professionals. Prize money totalling €67,000 is awarded in the National and International Competitions for animated and fiction films, together with four special prizes. These include the DEFA Promotion Prize Animation, the ARTE Short Fiction Film Prize, the "Golden Horseman" Sound Design, as well as the Saxon State Ministry for Science and the Fine Arts Promotion Prize, which is endowed with €20,000.

Each year, more than 2,000 short films from about 200 countries are submitted to the festival's International and National Competitions.

In addition to the competitions, the festival also has an extensive range of special programmes that focus on specific themes and countries, as well as retrospectives and film programmes for children and adolescents. Since 2012, the festival's "etc. - events.trainings.connections" section has organised panel discussions, talks, workshops, exhibitions and receptions for media professionals attending the festival as an addition to the film programmes.

FILMFEST DRESDEN is listed as an official reference festival by Germany's main film funding body, the FFA. It is a member of AG Kurzfilm, the federal German short film association, the European Film Academy (EFA) and the Filmverband Sachsen e.V., the film association in Saxony, as well as being involved in the Netzwerk Kultur Dresden local culture network, the WOD initiative for a cosmopolitan Dresden and the Kulturloge Dresden, which brings culture to low income individuals.

The 30th FILMFEST DRESDEN is being held from 17 to 22 April 2018.

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