



Dear journalist,

THE PR FACTORY will represent the following films during the 76th Venice International Film Festival 2019:

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YOU WILL DIE AT 20 by Amjad Abu Alala (Sudan/France/Egypt/Germany/Norway/Qatar) > Giornate degli Autori/Venice Days

Please find below more info about those films and interview opportunities.

Could you please let us know if you will be attending the Venice International Film Festival this year, so we can keep you updated ?

We look forward to seeing you there!

Best regards,

Barbara, Marie-France, Julie, Marion, Gudrun

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OUT OF COMPETITION

ADULTS IN THE ROOM by Costa-Gavras (France/Greece, 124 min.)

Cast : Christos Loulis, Alexandros Bourdounis, Ulrich Tukur, Daan Schuurmans, Josiane Pinson, Aurélien Recoing
Based on the book by Yanis Varoufakis, *Adults in the room : My Battle with Europe's Deep Establishment*.



[Press material](#)

Synopsis

Behind closed doors, a human tragedy plays out. A universal theme: a story of people trapped in an inhuman network of power. The brutal circle of the Eurogroup meetings, who impose on Greece the dictatorship of austerity, where humanity and compassion are utterly disregarded. A claustrophobic trap with no way out, exerting pressures on the protagonists which finally divide them. A tragedy in the Ancient Greek sense: the characters are not good, or evil, but driven by the consequences of their own conception of what it is right to do. A tragedy for our very modern time.

Talents in Venice

Costa-Gavras (director) : August 30 - Sept. 2
Christos Loulis (actor, Yanis Varoufakis) : August 30 - Sept. 1
Alexandros Bourdounis (actor, Alexis Tsipras) : August 31 - Sept. 1
Daan Schuurmans (actor, Jeroen Dijsselbloem) : August 30 - Sept. 1
Josiane Pinson (actress, Christine Lagarde) : August 30 - Sept. 1
Vincent Nemeth (actor, Michel), Cornelius Obonya (actor, Wims)
George Lenz (actor, Troika leader), Valéria Golino (actress, Dea)
Michèle Ray-Gavras (producer), Alexandre Gavras (producer)
Kostas Lambropoulos (executive producer Greece)
Yórgos Arvanítis (DoP), Alexandre Desplat (Music), Daniel Sobrino (Sound Mix)

Screenings

Saturday 31 Aug. - 09:00 - Sala Grande (Press & Industry)
Saturday 31 Aug. - 11:00 - Sala Darsena (Press & Industry)
Saturday 31 Aug. - 22:00 - Sala Grande (Official)
Sunday 1 Sept. - 17:30 - PalaBiennale (Public)

Press Conference

Saturday 31 Aug. - 13:30 – Press Conference Room / Palazzo del Casinó – 3rd floor

Photo Call

Saturday 31 Aug. - 14:00 – Palazzo del Casinó – 3rd floor

Production

KG Productions (France), Wild Bunch, Elle Driver, France 2 Cinema, Odeon SA (Greece)

Sales

Elle Driver

International distributors

FRANCE – Wild Bunch Distribution

SPAIN – Wanda Vision SA

PORTUGAL & portuguese Africa – Cinemundo LDA

TAIWAN – Movie Cloud

[ORIZZONTI competition](#)

ATLANTIS by Valentyn Vasyanovych (Ukraine, 108 min)

Cast : Andrii Rymaruk, Liudmyla Bileka, Vasyl Antoniak



[Press material](#)

Synopsis

Eastern Ukraine, in the nearest future. A desert unsuitable for human habitation. Serhii, a former soldier suffering from PTSD, is having trouble adapting to his new reality: a life in pieces, a land in ruins. When the smelter he works at finally shuts down, he finds an unexpected way to cope joining the volunteer Black Tulip mission dedicated to exhuming war corpses. By working alongside Katya, he understands that a better future is possible. Will he learn to live without war and accept himself as he is?

Talents in Venice

Valentyn Vasyanovych (director)

Andrii Rymaruk (actor)

Liudmyla Bileka (actress)

Screenings

Tuesday 3 Sept. - 20:00 - Sala Volpi (Press & Industry)

Tuesday 3 Sept. - 22:00 - Sala Casinó (Press & Industry)

Wednesday 4 Sept. – 14:00 – Sala Darsena (Official), followed by Q&A

Thursday 5 Sept. – 13:15 – PalaBiennale (Public)

Photo Call

Wednesday 4 Sept. – 12:00 – Palazzo del Casinó – 3rd floor

Production

Garmata Film Studios (Ukraine), Limelite (Ukraine)

Sales

Best Friend Forever

International distributors

TBC

[ORIZZONTI competition](#)

CHOLA (Shadow of Water) by Sanal Kumar Sasidharan (India, 116 min.)

Cast : Joju George, Nimisha Sajayan, Akhil Viswanath



[Press material](#)

Synopsis

Teenager Janaki and her scrawny paramour visit the city behind her mother's back. He's arranged for a ride from his boss, a sullen man who tells Janaki that he knows she's lied to her mother. The trio drive into the city where the teenagers are besotted with the lights, the malls and the beach. They lose track of time and are forced to stay the night in a bare-bones motel where things take a turn for the worse. A magic realist portrait of India's growing pains from the director of SEXY DURGA, Sanal Kumar Sasidharan returns in his biggest production yet with Malayalam powerhouse performers Joju George and Nimisha Sajayan.

Talents in Venice

Sanal Kumar Sasidharan (director) : Sept. 1-8

Nimisha Sajayan (actress, Janaki) : Aug. 29 – Sept. 8

Joju George (actor, Boss) : Aug. 28 – Sept. 4

Akhil Viswanath (actor, Janaki's lover) : Aug. 28 – Sept. 4

Screenings

Sunday 1 Sept - 19:45 - Sala Casinó (Press & Industry)

Sunday 1 Sept - 22:00 - Sala Volpi (Press & Industry)

Monday 2 Sept. – 16:45 – Sala Darsena (Official), followed by Q&A

Tuesday 3 Sept. – 15:15 – PalaBiennale (Public)

Photo Call

Monday 2 Sept – 12:00 – Palazzo del Casinó – 3rd floor

Production

Appu Pathu Pappu Production House (India), NiV Art Movies (India)

Sales

Good Move Media

International distributors

TBC

[GIORNATE DEGLI AUTORI \(Venice Days\)](#)

LINGUA FRANCA by Isabel Sandoval (USA/Philippines, 90 min.)

Cast : Isabel Sandoval, Eamon Farren, Lynn Cohen, Lev Gorn, Ivory Aquino, PJ Boudousque



[Press material](#)

Synopsis

Olivia, an undocumented Filipina immigrant paranoid about deportation, works as a caregiver to a Russian Jewish grandmother in Brighton Beach, Brooklyn. When the American man she's secretly paying for a green-card marriage backs out, she becomes involved with the old woman's nephew, Alex, a slaughterhouse worker who is unaware that she's transgender. When Alex's machismo is threatened upon discovering her transgender status, he finds himself weaponizing her immigration anxieties to emotionally brutalize Olivia.

Talents in Venice

Isabel Sandoval (director & actress, Olivia) : Aug. 27 - Sept. 8

Eamon Farren (actor, Alex) : Sept. 5-7

Lev Gorn (actor, Murray) : Sept. 1-7

Ari Barkan (actor, Milo) : Sept. 1-7

Ivory Aquino (actress, Trixie) : Aug. 27 – Sept. 8

Jhett Tolentino (producer) : Aug. 27 – Sept. 8

Darlene Catly Malimas (producer) : Aug. 27 – Sept. 8

Carlo Velayo (producer) : Aug. 27 – Sept. 8

Isaac Banks (DoP) : Aug. 27 – Sept. 8

Jerome Kerkman (executive producer) : Aug. 27 – Sept. 8

Nicole Cosgrove (executive producer) : Sept. 3-8

Sarah Kolb (executive producer) : Sept. 3-8

Pete McClellan (line producer/UPM) : Sept. 3-8

Dax Stringer (1 AD/associate producer) : Sept. 3-8

Cecilia Mejia (co-producer) : Sept. 3-8

Jeremiah Abraham (co-producer) : Sept. 3-8

Screenings

Wednesday 28 Aug. - 14:00 - Sala Perla (Press & Industry)

Friday 6 Sept. - 17:00 – Sala Perla (Official), followed by Q&A

Photo Call

Friday 6 Sept. – 16:20 – Villa degli Autori & Friday 6 Sept. – 16:45 – entrance of the Palazzo del Casinó

Production

7107 Entertainment (USA), in association with Fronrow Entertainment, TBA Studios, twothreefive and Tal Vez Entertainment

Sales

Luxbox

International distributors

TBC

[ORIZZONTI competition](#)

METRI SHESHO NIM (Just 6.5) by Saeed Roustae (Iran, 135 min.)

Cast : Payman Maadi, Navid Mohammadzadeh, Hooman Kiaie, Parinaz Izadyar, Farhad Aslani, Maziar Seyedi, Ali Bagheri



[Press material](#)

Synopsis

The city is brimming with drug addicts, many of whom are homeless. Samad, a member of Anti-Narcotics Police Task Force, is looking for a drug kingpin, Nasser Khakzad. After several operations, Samad manages to track him down at his penthouse, where he's committed suicide but is still alive. Nasser goes through legal steps that lead to his death penalty and execution, but along the way, Samad comes to realize that Nasser was drawn to this path because of broken down social conditions, imposed on him.

Talents in Venice

Saeed Roustae (director & scriptwriter) : Sept. 1-8
Payman Maadi (lead actor, Samad) : Sept. 2-8
Navid Mohammadzadeh (lead actor, Nasser) : Sept. 1-8
Farhad Aslani (actor, the judge) : Sept. 1-8
Seyed Jamal Sadatian (producer) : Sept. 1-8
Hooman Behmanesh (DoP) : Sept. 2-4
Bahram Dehghani (editor) : Sept. 1-8
Iraj Shahzadi (sound) : Sept. 1-8
Mohsen Nasrollahi (set designer) : Sept. 1-8
Kimia Fatemi Ardakani (assistant director) : Sept. 2-8
Soheil Larijani (assistant director) : Sept. 1-8
Bahareh Bahari Khameneh (assistant set designer) : Sept. 1-8

Screenings

Monday 2 Sept. - 19:15 - Sala Casinó (Press & Industry)
Monday 2 Sept. - 21:45 - Sala Volpi (Press & Industry)
Tuesday 3 Sept. – 17:00 – Sala Darsena (Official), followed by Q&A
Wednesday 4 Sept. – 14:00 – PalaBiennale (Public)

Photo Call

Tuesday 3 Sept. – 12:00 – Palazzo del Casinó – 3rd floor

Production

Boshra Film (Iran)

Sales

Iranian Independents

International distributors

BENELUX – Wild Bunch
FRANCE – Wild Bunch
SWITZERLAND – Wild Bunch

[ORIZZONTI competition](#)

NEVIA by Nunzia De Stefano (Italy, 86 min.)

Cast : Virginia Apicella, Pietra Montecorvino, Pietro Ragusa, Rosy Franzese, Franca Abategiovanni, Simone Borrelli, Lola Bello, Gianfranco Gallo



[Press material](#)

Foreign press only.

For Italian press : Gabriele Barcaro

Synopsis

Nevia is 17 and lives in the suburbs of Naples with her beloved little sister Enza, their aunt Lucia and their grandmother Nanà. She is a stubborn teenager, determined to get from life much more than fate has planned for her, but it's hard to be a girl in a place where only men can make the rules and apparently there are no options but make ends meet with little illegal jobs. Until one day, a circus comes to town, changing everything in Nevia's life and giving her a new hope...

Talents in Venice

Nunzia De Stefano (director) : Sept. 4-7

Virginia Apicella (actress) : Sept. 4-7

Franca Abategiovanni (actress) : Sept. 4-7

Screenings

Wednesday 4 Sept. - 19:45 - Sala Casinó (Press & Industry)

Wednesday 4 Sept. - 22:15 - Sala Volpi (Press & Industry)

Thursday 5 Sept. - 17:30 - Sala Darsena (Official), followed by Q&A

Friday 6 Sept. - 16:15 - PalaBiennale (Public)

Photo Call

Thursday 5 Sept. - 12:35 - Palazzo del Casinó - 3rd floor

Production

Archimede (Italy), Rai Cinema, supported by MiBAC

Sales

TBA

International distributors

ITALY - TBC (Italian publicist : Gabriele Barcaro, press@gabrielebarcaro.it, +39 340 05538425)

[GIORNATE DEGLI AUTORI \(Venice Days\)](#)

YOU WILL DIE AT 20 by Amjad Abu Alala (Sudan/ France/ Egypt/ Germany/ Norway/ Qatar, 105 min.)

Cast : Mustafa Shehata, Islam Mubarak, Mahmoud Elsaraj, Bunna Khalid, Talal Afifi, Amal Mustafa, Moatasem Rashid, Asjad Mohamed



[Press material](#)

Synopsis

Sudan, province of Aljazira, the present. Shortly after Muzamil was born, a prophecy by the holy man of the village predicts that he will die at age 20. Muzamil's father cannot stand the curse and leaves home. Sakina raises her son as a single mother, overly protective. One day, Muzamil turns 19.

Talents in Venice

Amjad Abu Alala (director) : August 29 – Sept. 9

Mustafa Shehata (actor, Muzamil) : dates TBC

Islam Mubarak (actress, Sakina) : dates TBC

Screenings

Thursday 29 Aug. - 11:30 - Sala Perla (Press & Industry)

Saturday 31 Aug. - 17:00 - Sala Perla (Official), followed by Q&A

Saturday 7 Sept - 17:00 – Sala Perla (Public)

Photo Call

Saturday 31 Aug. – 16:20 – Villa degli Autori & Saturday 31 Aug. – 16:45 – entrance of the Palazzo del Casinó

Production

Andolfi (France), Transit Films (Egypt), DUOFilm AS (Norway), Die Gesellschaft DGS (Germany), with Station Films (Sudan), Film Clinic (Egypt)

Sales

Pyramide International

International distributors

TBC