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JESSICA WOODWORTH

Jessica Woodworth is a Belgian-American director, screenwriter and producer known for the feature films KHADAK (2006 winner of Lion of the Future in Venice), ALTIPLANO (2009 Semaine de la Critique Cannes), THE FIFTH SEASON (2012 Official Competition Venice) and KING OF THE BELGIANS (2016 Orizzonti Competition Venice). These films, made with Flemish filmmaker Peter Brosens, have been to hundreds of festivals and won over seventy awards. Prior to turning to fiction she made several documentaries including THE VIRGIN DIARIES, shot in Morocco.



Jessica grew up between Belgium, Switzerland and the US. She received a BA in literature from Princeton University. She worked on documentaries in Paris, Hong Kong and Beijing, then obtained an MA in documentary from Stanford University. She has been on international juries in Ghent, Zagreb and Tehran. She advises film students at the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Ghent, Belgium, where her company, Bo Films, is based. In the fall of 2018 she will shoot THE BAREFOOT EMPEROR. She is also adapting Dino Buzzati's novel 'The Tartar Steppe', a project she took through the Torino Film Lab in 2017.





FLORIAN WEGHORN

Florian Weghorn is the Programme Manager of Berlinale Talents, the annual summit and talent development initiative of the Berlin International Film Festival. He also advises the seven Berlinale Talents offshoots around the world, ranging from Beirut to Tokyo. Born in 1976 in Oldenburg, Florian holds an M.A. in Theatre, Film and Television Studies from the University of Cologne with a thesis on 'The Visual Language of Melancholy in Youth Film.' Florian joined the Berlinale team in 2002, initially working for the Generation section.



From 2008 to 2014, he was the section's Co-Director and a curator of its short and feature films. He is a member of the selection committee for the Berlinale Competition. In addition, Florian has worked for various other international film festivals, film funds and cultural institutions and is a member of the European Film Academy. He is the author and editor of several publications covering film and youth culture.

https://www.berlinale-talents.de





JOSEF AICHHOLZER

In 1977 Josef Aichholzer started his professional career in filmmaking while setting up a film distribution company together with two colleagues at the same time; in 1986 they opened a movie theatre. In the years since he managed the production of a number of film projects and gradually developed my skills as a filmmaker as well as in the fields of scriptwriting and editing. In 1996 Josef needed to establish a focus within my professional activities and subsequently concentrated on production only. He founded Aichholzer Film in 1986.



Since then he have produced numerous award-winning feature films and documentaries. From 2008 to 2014, he was the section's Co-Director and a curator of its short and feature films. He is a member of the selection committee for the Berlinale Competition. In addition, Florian has worked for various other international film festivals, film funds and cultural institutions and is a member of the European Film Academy. He is the author and editor of several publications covering film and youth culture.

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FLORIAN POCHLATKO

Florian Pochlatko is an award winning Austrian writer, director and editor, who constantly tries to challenge the boundaries of visual narrative story telling in all its shapes and colours. He studied experimental media art at the University of Arts Linz (AT) until 2009 and has BA of Arts in film directing at the Film Academy Vienna (2014). Since 2014 he does his Master studies in film directing at the Film Academy Vienna in the class of Michael Haneke and in Critical Studies in the class of Diedrich Diederichsen. In 2013 he was invited to the Bucharest Artists in Residence in Romania.



Filmography

2019	COVERSONG (feature in development) writer, director, produced by
	Freibeuterfilm
	DAS GRÖSSERE GANZE (feature in development), writer, director, producer
2018	ANGELO, artistic advisor, directed by Markus Schleinzer
2016	GOD OF GHOSTS_NU RENEGADE, experimental music film in collaboration
	with Zebra Katz and Leila Arab (Warp Records), writer, director, editor,
	producer Austrian Music Video Award / opening film Vienna Independent
	Shorts 2016 reviews in Dazed Online, Thump US, Nowness, Fadermagazine
2014	A CHURCH OF DREAMS AND BROKEN HEARTS, experimental found
	footage film commissioned by Sixpackfilms Austria for their 24th anniversary.
	Other invited artists were: Valie Export, Tizza Covi/Rainer Frimmel, Mara
	Mattuschka a. o.





FLORIAN POCHLATKO

Filmography

2012 ERDBEERLAND, short fiction film, writer, director, producer Austrian Academy Award for Best Short 2014 / Diagonale Award for Best Short 2013 / Viennale – Vienna IFF / Küstendorf IFF / Premiers Plans D'Angers reviews in Ray Film Magazin, Celluliod Filmmagazin, FM4online, Kolikfilm, Profil online, ORF.at, CINEMA Filmjahrbuch #60 national theatrical release





MARLENE ROPAC

Marlene Ropac has been the executive director of the Academy of Austrian Film since it was founded in 2009. A trained ceramics designer, she has been active for cultural institutions all her life: She worked for the Museum in Progress (curatorship), DEPOT Kunst & Diskussion (co-founder and manager), Kunsthalle Wien (sponsoring), Viennale – Vienna International Film Festival (sponsoring) and Tanzquartier (supervision of communikation). In 2006 she organised the big Mozart exhibition for the Da Ponte Institut at the Albertina Museum. During her supervision, the Academy of Austrian Film grew from 30 members to over 500 (and it's still growing).



In addition to organizing the Austrian Film Award, Ropac co-manages several European projects like A SUNDAY IN THE COUNTRY or EFA – YOUNG AUDIENCE AWARD to promote Austrian cinema on an international level.





CLARA STERN

Studies at the Film Academy Vienna, Austria (University for Music and Performing Arts)

Since 2014 Master Screenplay and Dramaturgy (Professor Götz Spielmann)

Since 2018 Master Directing (Professor Wolfgang Murnberger)



Awards

Austrian Academy Award 2018 for MATHIAS and Award for "Best Short Fiction Film" at Diagonale, Festival of Austrian Film, Graz, 2017

Main award "Carl-Mayer-Screenplay Award" of the city of Graz, Austria, 2018 for HACKLERSTRICH (Workers' Streetwalkers District) treatment for a feature film, co-authorship with Johannes Höß

Main award "Carl-Mayer-Screenplay Award" of the city of Graz, Austria, 2016 for TRAINING (treatment for a feature film)

Award at "If She Can See it, She Can Be It" 2016, Screenplay Competition by Drehbuchforum Wien and the Austrian Film Institute with DAS BRAUCHT MAN ZUM GLÜCK NICHT (exposé for a feature film; co-authorship with Johannes Höß)





CLARA STERN

Filmography (as screenplay writer & director)

- 2017 MATHIAS (fiction, 30')
- 2016 WARTEZEIT Waiting Time (fiction, 11')
- NACHTLICHT Night Light (fiction, 16')
- 2015 LEUCHTKRAFT Luminance (documentary, 4')
- 2013 ERNTEZEIT Harvest Time (fiction, 15')
- IM JAHRE SCHNEE The Snows of Yesteryear (documntary, 7')
- 2012 SONNENUNTERGANG Sun Down (fiction, 8')
- 2011 DIE INSELN, DIE WIR SIND. The Islands that we are. (fiction, 11')

http://clarastern.at





JAKOB BROSSMANN

Jakob Brossmann was born 1986 in Vienna, Austria. He studied Stage- and Production Design at the University for Applied Arts in Vienna. He works as a director, producer, stage designer and artist. Documentary films alternate with theatre and opera productions. He designed stages for Schauspielhaus Graz, Next Liberty Graz, Volkstheater Wien and Staatsoper München. His documentary LAMPEDUSA IN WINTER premiered 2015 at the Semaine de la Critique at the Festival of Locarno.



It received several awards, among them Wiener Filmpreis 2015, Boccalino d'Oro-Award, Audience Award of the Duisburger Filmwoche and Austrian Film Award 2016 for best documentary.

He is part of "Finali Film & Wortschatz Produktion" which produces interdisciplinary film and culture projects that promote diversity of language and society, for example by offering subtitles and translations for film and TV productions. Among the partners are Nikolaus Geyrhalter Film, Mischief Films, Volkstheater Wien with productions for cinema and TV stations like Arte.

Jakob has been lecturing and teaching at University for Applied Arts Vienna (permanent assignment), Cornell University, Docudays Kiev, Belgrade Magnificent 7 Filmfestival, Ethnocineca Filmfestival Vienna and Medienzentrum WienXtra.





LUZ OLIVARES CAPELLE

Born in Rufino, Argentina. After studying Film Directing at the National Institute for Cinematographic Production and Experimentation, ENERC, in Buenos Aires, she studied Fine Arts at the Fine Arts Academy Vienna. She also obtained a Masters Degree in Film Directing with Michael Haneke, at the Film Academy Vienna. Her films have been featured at festivals such as the IFF Rotterdam, the Viennale, and Karlovy Vary IFF, and also at several art galleries and museums such as the Museum of the Moving Image (New York), and MALBA (Buenos Aires) among others.



Her work has been awarded with the Young Film Artists "Start" Grant (Arts and Culture Division of the Federal Chancellery of Austria), the Austrian Film Prize for shortfilm, the Thomas Pluch Screenplay Award (AT), the Max Ophüls Prize for best medium-length film (DE), the Grand Prix for international short film at the Cork FF (IR), the award for best Austrian Fiction Shortfilm at the Diagonale (AT) and at the Vienna Independent Shorts (AT) among others.

She is currently developing her first feature film with the Hubert Bals Film script development support from the IFF Rotterdam (NL).





LUZ OLIVARES CAPELLE

Filmography (selected)

2018	PERFORMING ME?(!) - experimental documentary / 30', colour, 2K
	direction, editing with Laszló Váncsá, production with Karin Macher
2016	WALD DER ECHOS - fiction film / 30 ⁺ , colour, 2K
	direction, screenplay, co-production
2015	EL RITUAL DEL COLOR - essay & experimental film / 2', colour, 16mm reversal
	film developed manually and digitally animated / concept and realization
2014	APARICIONES - essay & experimental film / 24', colour, 16mm, 35mm,
	handmade footage on the basis of paper and acetate, HD
	direction, screenplay and DoP, production with Stephan Podest
2008	-TE VAS A LASTIMAR - fantasy film / 11', colour, 16mm / direction

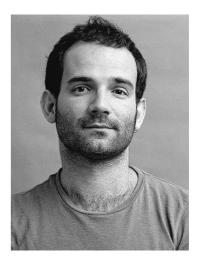
http://www.luzolivarescapelle.com





LUIS LÓPEZ CARRASCO

Luis López Carrasco (Murcia/Spain, 1981) is a filmmaker and writer. In 2008 he co-founded Los Hijos, an experimental cinema and documentary collective. His work has been shown at numerous international film festivals like Locarno, Rotterdam, Toronto, NYFF Film Society of Lincoln Center, BAFICI or Viennale and contemporary art centres like Museo Nacional Reina Sofía, Museo Guggenheim, Centre Georges Pompidou or ICA London.



Filmography (selected)

2017	ALIENS – 23' premiered at Locarno Festival and was awarded at FIDOCS,
	Cinespagna Toulouse and FICA 2017
2016	FUENTE GRANDE – 15'
2013	ÁRBOLES (co-directed as Los Hijos) – 63'
	EL FUTURO – 68' first solo film, premiered at Locarno IFF, screened at more
	than fifty international festivals and awarded 2014 at BAFICI, Lima
	Independiente, Uruguay Winter Festival and IBAFF
2012	ENERO 2012 O LA APOTEOSIS DE ISABEL LA CATÓLICA (co-directed by
	Los Hijos) – 18'
2011	EVACUACIÓN (co-directed as Los Hijos) – 2'
2010	YA VIENE AGUANTA, RIÉGUEME, MÁTAME (co-directed as Los Hijos) – 9'
	CIRCO – 75' (co-directed by Los Hijos)
2009	LOS MATERIALES (co-directed as Los Hijos) – 73' awarded with Jean Vigo
	Prize for Best Direction (Punto de Vista IFF 2010) and International Jury's
	Special Mention (FiD Marseille 2010)
2008	EL SOL EN EL SOL DEL MEMBRILLO (co-directed as Los Hijos) – 12'





DAVID PINHEIRO VICENTE

Born on Terceira Island in the Azores, he studied directing at the Escola Superior de Teatro e Cinema in Lisbon and is currently taking an MA in Aesthetics. He has worked as an art director on several films and as an assistant director to Salomé Lamas.



Filmography (selected)

2018	ONDE O VERÃO VAI (EPISÓDIOS DA JUVENTUDE), director Berlinale
	Shorts Competition at the 68th Berlinale GO SHORT – International Short Film
	Festival Nijmegen
	A BARRIGA DE MARIANA by Frederico Mesquita, art director
2017	O MEU PIJAMA by Maria Inês Gonçalves, art director
	NÃO HÁ CIGARRAS NO INVERNO by Ângela Ramos, art director
2016	SIMÃO, director Doclisboa Film Festival, section Verdes Anos 22nd edition of
	Festival Caminhos do Cinema Português, Ensaios
	CAMARIM by Ângela Ramos, art director
2015	NA BOCA DO LOBO, producer, by DUARTE COIMBRA, Fest 2016, NEXXT





JONAS ROTHLAENDER

Jonas Rothlaender was born 1982 in Lübeck, Germany. He studied at dffb from 2007 to 2015 and shot several short films, which premiered at several festivals. His first featurelength documentary FAMILIAR CIRCLES had its theatrical release in the beginning of 2016 and was critically acclaimed. His feature film debut FADO, an international co-production, premiered 2016 in Rotterdam and won the award for best directing at the FF Max-Ophüls-Preis. After that FADO toured around many international festivals and won several awards.



In September 2016 the film celebrated its theatrical release in German cinemas, where it was extremely well received by critics and the audience. During Berlinale 2017 FADO received the prize for best debut of the German Film Critics Association.

Filmography (selected)

2016	FADO (fiction) – writer, director
2015	FAMILIAR CIRCLES (documentary) – writer, director
2014	RETURNING (30') – writer, director
2011	HUNTING GROUNDS (TV-fiction) – writer, director
2013	THE SHIRT (6') – writer, director

http://jonasrothlaender.com





AMANDA KERNELL

Education

2009 – 2013	directing, the National Film School of
	Denmark
2007 – 2008	writing low-budget feature films
	Filmpool Nord
2006 – 2007	scriptwriting, The Nordic Author School
	Biskops-Arnö
2005 – 2006	creative writing, Umeå University



Filmography (selected)

2017 2016	I WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU CONNY (30') – writer, director SAMEBLOD (110') – writer, director
2010	Guldbagge Award for best script and Audience Award
2015	STOERRE VAERIE (15') – writer, director
	nomination for best short film at Guldbagge Awards
2014	PARADISET (20') – writer, director
2013	THE ASSOCIATION OF JOY (28') – writer, director
2009	THE DAY I STOP DANCING I'M DEAD (10') – writer, director
2007	SEMESTERSYSTERN (15') – writer, director
2006	VÅRA DISCON (8') – writer, director





RAITIS ĀBELE

Education

2013–2015	Master degree of Psychology at the Latvian
	University
2011	International Film School in Kiev, Ukraine
2010 – 2011	New York Film Academy
2002–2006	Bachelor degree of Psychology at the Latvian
	University



Filmography

2018	drama documentary BALTIC TRIBES – LAST PAGANS OF EUROPE
2017	short fiction LEFTOVERS & LEFTLOVERS
2015	documentary KURŠI - won best short documentary at the Latvian film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
2014	short film CASTRATUS THE BOAR (shortlisted for Oscar 2015; won Grand
	Prix at Tampere Short Film Festival / Finland; jury prize "Kinoshock" 2014 /
	Russia; jury prize "Prague Shorts 2014" / Czech Republic; best short fiction
	"2Annas" 2014 / Latvia; nomination for best short in national film awards
	"Lielais Kristaps" 2014 / Latvia)
2012	3D animantion "Āķis lūpā / Hooked"
2011	music video for Soundarcade song "Hunt Royal" / writer
	short BĒDUBRĀĻI
2009	short GUNSRUNS
2008	short GALAPUNKTS (main prize at film festival "2Annas"), producer
2007	short KLAUZULA (creative prize at film festival "2Annas"), producer
2004	snowboard documentary





NORA EL HOURCH

Nora El Hourch has been writing since she was young without thinking that someone would ever read her scripts. After some years of hesitation about her schooling and professional career, she finally decided to take the plunge and work as a writer/director.



Filmography (as writer / director)

2016	Les abeilles perdues (Lost Bees), feature (in development) DANS MON HALL AULNAY - A FLEUR DE PEAU
2010	DANS MON HALL AULNAY - A TOI
2014	QUELQUES SECONDES, 16'
	2015 Quinzaine des Réalisateurs (France), TIFF (Canada), BFI (London)
	MedFestival (Italy), CinemaForum (Poland), Bogota Short FF (Columbia),
	Cinemed (France) / 2016 Premiers Plans Angers (France), Short Breaks
	(Sweden), Mecal (Spain), Festival européen de Lille (France), SXSW (USA),
	Festival International Cinéma Méditerranéen Tétouan (Marocco), Next IFF
	(Romania), Kyiv International Short FF (Ukraine), Human Rights Arts and Film
	Festival (Australia), Deep Focus Festival (Irland)
	awards: PRIX DU JURY - Rencontres Film Femmes Méditerranée (France);
	PRIX DU MEILLEUR COURT METRAGE - Stockholm IFF (Sweden); PRIX
	DU MEILLEUR COURT METRAGE - Zagreb FF (Croatia); PRIX SACD - Ciné
	Banlieue (France); PRIX DE LA MEILLEURE REALISATRICE - Festival de
	Figari (Italie)





ULLA HEIKKILÄ

Ulla Heikkilä is a Finnish screenwriter and director working in film and TV. Her MA film GOLGOTHA was screened at several internationally acclaimed film festivals, and her latest short film #BAREWITHME had its international premiere at the Aspen Shortsfest 2018. In TV, Ulla works as a writer-director and as a staff writer. At the moment, she is developing her first feature film, CONFIRMATION.



Education

 2016 Master of Fine Arts, Aalto University ELO Film School (major: film directing)
2016 IFA, International Filmmaking Academy, three-week film workshop in Bologna Italy
2012 Bachelor of Arts, University of Tampere (major: history)

Selected Filmography (as writer / director)

2019	PERFECT COMMANDO, 10x30', staff writer, Firemonkey Oy
2017	#BAREWITHME, 9', director, Pohjola-filmi Tampere FF 2018; Season FF
	2018; Aspen Shortsfest 2018; Seattle IFF, 2017; Palm Springs International
	Shortfest 2017
2018	TARINANMETSÄSTÄJÄT, 10x55', screenwriter & director, Ryhmäteatteri /
YLE	
2016	GOLGOTHA, 28', screenwriter & director, ELO Film School Helsinki (MA
	thesis) Nordisk Panorama 2016; Lübeck Nordic Film Days 2016; Cork FF
	2016; Premiers Plans – Festival d'Angers 2017; Tampere FF 2017; Aspen
	Shortsfest 2017; Seattle IFF 2017; Palm Springs Shortfest 2017; Helsinki
	Short FF 2017; TIFF Bell Lightbox 2018





ULLA HEIKKILÄ

Selected Filmography (as writer / director)

- 2017 'The Women's Festival', a (radio) play, written and directed together with Jenni Toivoniemi, Valtimonteatteri 2015 / YLE Radio Theatre 2017
- 2014 BETWEEN NIGHTS, 20', screenwriter & director, ELO Film School Helsinki Camerimage 2015, Helsinki IFF 2014
- 2012 HOW TO SAY GOODBYE, 10', screenwriter & director, ELO Film School Helsinki Helsinki Short FF 2013, St. Petersburg Beginning FF 2013







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