



Festival of Festivals

International Film Festival Saint-Petersburg

23 - 29 June 2010

June 17th, 2010

The Russian Ministry of Culture, Saint Petersburgs Committee of Culture of the City Administration, the “LENFILM” Studios and the International Film Festivals’ Organization are pleased to announce the XVIII ANNUAL “FESTIVAL OF FESTIVALS 2010” to be held in the historical centre of St. Petersburg, during the magical White Nights, between JUNE 23-29, 2010.

The “FESTIVAL OF FESTIVALS” is Russia’s largest non-competitive festival for recent outstanding works of International and Russian cinema, and features several prizes and awards.

The annual festival program includes the screening of over 100 films from all around the world.

Over 18,000 people attend the festival annually.

The opening ceremony will be held on the 23rd of June, at 8 p.m.

The closing ceremony and the awards gala will take place on the 29th of June, 8 p.m.

LIST OF AWARDS GIVEN BY THE FESTIVAL

- **Grand Prix – Golden Gryphon**-Awarded to the film rated highest by guests and participants
- **Silver Gryphon** -Awarded to the film rated highest by audiences
- **Bronze Gryphon** - Awarded to the best experimental film
- **The Nikolay Ovsyannikov Prize** - Awarded for the best debut
- **Prize of the City of St. Petersburg** - Awarded for a contribution to world cinema made by a director whose film is featured in this year’s festival
- **Prize of the Board** - Awarded to the screening section deemed to be this years’ best
- **Prize for Talent and National Recognition** - Awarded to exceptional actors, actresses and directors

THE FESTIVALS’ SCREENING SECTIONS

- **Festival of Festivals**
Directors whose films have received high praises and awards at other international film festivals present their films to our audiences.
- **Week of French Cinema**
Supported by The Embassy of France (Moscow), The French Consulate Saint Petersburg, The French Institute and the Radio Channel “Eldorado”.
- **Israeli Cinema**
Supported by The Embassy of Israel (Moscow), The Israeli Cultural Center (St. Petersburg) and The Governmental Committee of relations with the Judaic Community “NATIV”

- **New Russian Cinema**
Screenings of Russian films made last year
- **Short Films**
Films by young directors from all over the world
- **Additional Special Screenings**
Within the framework of this years' topic: "65 Years without War"
Retrospective of films directed by Sergey Mikaelyan
Film about a military operator Boris Sokolov
- **Norwegian Film Days**
With the support of the Royal Norwegian Consulate General in St. Petersburg and the Norsk Film Institute (Oslo)
- **Retrospectives**
 - The Golden 60's:**
Films from the Czech Republic made between 1959 – 1979.
With the support of: the Czech Embassy in Moscow, the Czech Cultural Center, and the Czech Consulate in St. Petersburg.
 - Masterpieces of sound-films dedicated to the Hollywood's Centennial:**
Supported by the American Consulate General in St. Petersburg
- **German Cinema**
 - From Schleswig-Holstein:**
Supported by the Filmförderung Hamburg Schleswig-Holstein and the Hanse-Office St. Petersburg
 - From Saxony Anhalt:**
Supported by the Kunststiftung des Landes Sachsen-Anhalt

FESTIVAL LOCATIONS

- Dom Kino/ Hall of European Cinema (www.domkino.spb.ru)
- Cinema Zanevskiy
- Rodina (www.rodinakino.ru)
- Sergey Kouryokhin Modern Art Centre (www.kuryokhin.ru)

PRESS CONFERENCES

- June 10 at 4 p.m. General information on the program and the stars of the "Festival of the Festivals"
- June 23 at 2 p.m. On the opening of the Film Festival. The Board of Directors and the Festival stars.

- June 29 at 4 p.m. On the closing of the Festival and the awards gala. Stars of the Festival and nominated films.

The Festival is internationally supported by such esteemed partners as the Korinthia Nevski Palace Hotel and the IBIS hotel.

On the Russian side, the Festival is sponsored by such well-known companies as Russki Reportage, Intercinema, CP Classic, Central Partnership, Kino bez graniz, Khorosho Production, CTB, Paradise, Pyramida, West and Russico.

Our main public media partners are Radio “Baltika” in St. Petersburg and the “Peterburgskiy dnevnik” newspaper, TV channels “Rossia” and NTV, and Radio “Rossia”.

The Festival is supported also by the Internet portal “Be-in.ru” and “Coffee club”.

Welcome to the 18th “FESTIVAL OF FESTIVALS 2010”!

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