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IN SELECTION - PROMOREEL AVAILABLE

FOX & HARE SAVE THE FOREST



The Netherlands, Luxemburg, Belgium
Language: English
Available versions: French, Dutch
70'
Delivery: Q2 2024

DIRECTOR **Mascha Halberstad** (*Oink's Revenge*, Berlinale 2022)
PRODUCERS – by the same team behind the TV SERIES **Submarine** (*Where is Anne Frank?*),
Doghouse (*Pachamama*), **Walking The Dog** (*Richard the Stork*)
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Eurozoom**

A \$6M BUDGET ENGLISH-LANGUAGE 3D ANIMATION BASED UPON THE TV SERIES
FOX & HARE, SOLD TO OVER 25 TERRITORIES. BROADCASTERS INCLUDE THE BBC AND CANAL +



Strange things are happening in the forest! Owl has disappeared, mischievous Rats are terrorising the neighbourhood, and a lake is overflowing towards the home of our forest friends. Could this be the work of a megalomaniac beaver? Fox and Hare are determined to find out. They must find their best friend Owl and a way to save their homes. It will push their friendship to the limit! This is the start of an exciting and fun adventure.

UPCOMING - PROMOREEL AVAILABLE

INTO THE WONDERWOODS

France
Language: French
Available version: English
80'
Delivery: Q3 2024

DIRECTORS **Vincent Paronnaud** (*Persepolis* - Cannes Jury prize and Oscar-nominated, 2007)
& **Alexis Ducord** (*Zombillenium*, Cannes 2017)
PRODUCERS **Je Suis Bien Content** (*April and the Extraordinary World*, *Persepolis*),
Gaoshan Pictures (*Le Petit Nicolas*, *I lost my body*)
CAST **Philippe Catherine**, **Jose Garcia**, **Yolande Moreau**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Le Pacte** (24th Oct 2024)

A \$10M BUDGET FAMILY-DRIVEN 3D ANIMATION BASED ON THE FRENCH COMICS



10-year-old Angelo dreams of becoming an explorer and a zoologist.

When he hits the road with his family to visit his beloved granny, his distracted parents leave him behind at a rest stop. Left to his own devices, Angelo decides to cut through the forest in search of his family.

He enters a dark and mysterious world inhabited by strange creatures, some friendlier than others...

UPCOMING - PROMOREEL AVAILABLE

IN THE NAME OF BLOOD

(*BRÛLE LE SANG*)

DIRECTOR **Akaki Popkhadze**
WRITERS **Akaki Popkhadze** & **Florent Hill-Chouaki**
PRODUCERS **Adastra Films**, **Gemini**, **Beside Productions**
CAST **Denis Lavant**, **Nicolas Duvauchelle**, **Finnegan Oldfield**, **Florent Hill-Chouaki**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **ARP Selection**

Thriller
France, Belgium, Georgia
Language: French, Georgian
105'
Delivery: Q3 2024



In the working-class neighborhoods of Nice, a pillar of the local Georgian community is murdered. His son Tristan, who aspires to become an orthodox priest, finds himself alone with his grieving mother. Gabriel, his older brother with a troubled past, reappears from a long exile to make amends by redeeming his family's honour.

UPCOMING

A BOAT IN THE GARDEN

(SLOCUM)

DIRECTOR **Jean-François Laguionie** (*Louise By The Shore, A Prince's Voyage*)
PRODUCERS **JPL Films, Mélusine Productions**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Gebeka**

BY THE DIRECTOR OF *THE PAINTING* & *LOUISE BY THE SHORE*

Animation
France, Luxembourg
Language: French
Delivery: Q3 2024



1940s, near the Marne river. François is a daydreaming and lonely child. One day he and his father start to build, in the family garden, a replica of Joshua Slocum's sailboat, the first navigator to have sailed around the world alone. The two embark on an adventure, somewhere between reality and imaginary.

UPCOMING

THE HERMIT AND THE BEAR

DIRECTOR **Marine Blin**
PRODUCERS **Tant Mieux Production, Sun Creature**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **KMBO**

BASED UPON THE HOMONYMOUS CHILDREN'S BOOK WRITTEN BY JOHN YEOMAN AND ILLUSTRATED BY QUENTIN BLAKE (*MATILDA, CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY*)

Animation
France
Language: French
Delivery: Q3 2026



Adapted from a 1990s tome, the film follows the long apprenticeship between a lonely bear and an irascible hermit. Beginning as an awkward pupil and a rusty teacher, the pair's bond soon develops into an unusual and life-affirming fellowship. The duo sets off into the forest, singing the benefits of friendship to all the woodland critters.

UPCOMING

SILEX AND THE CITY

DIRECTOR **Jul, Jean-Paul Guigue**

PRODUCERS **Je Suis Bien Content**, co-production with **Arte France** & **Leftfield (Belgium)**

CAST **Frédéric Belgbeder, Stéphane Bern, Lison Daniel, Léa Drucker, Guillaume Gallienne, Julie Gayet, François Hollande, Agnès Hurstel, Ophelia Kolb, Noémie de Lattre, Amélie Nothomb, Océan, Frédéric Pierrot, Raphaël Quénard, Léa Salamé, Clément Sibony, Bruno Solo, Augustin Trapenard, Alex Vizorek**, and many others...

FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Haut et Court**

BASED UPON THE HUGELY SUCCESSFUL COMICS SERIES (9 VOLUMES AND OVER A MILLION COPIES SOLD) AND 5 SEASONS OF THE POPOULAR TV SERIES ON ARTE, 180 EPISODES AND PEAK AUDIENCE RATINGS OF OVER 1.3 MILLION VIEWERS



France, Stone Age.

The hybrid animated comedy presents a satirical prehistoric world where it seems like evolution has frozen. A father and his rebellious daughter are suddenly going to turn the Stone Age upside down. After a tragicomic round-trip to the future, they accidentally bring home an Ikea-like Allen key, the miracle that will finally open the threshold to evolution! It is going to lead them into a wonderful and yet catastrophic world.

Animation
France

Language: French, English
Delivery: Q3 2024

UPCOMING

GIRL FOR A DAY

DIRECTOR **Jean-Claude Monod**

PRODUCERS **Dacord Productions, Les Films D'Ici**

CAST **Marie Toscan, Thibault de Montalembert , Iris Bry, Yannick Renier**

IN THE 18th CENTURY, ANNE GRANDJEAN, BORN INTERSEX, IS URGED TO DRESS AS A MAN AND TO CHANGE HER NAME DUE TO HER ATTRACTION TO WOMEN. BECOMING JEAN-BAPTISTE, HE/SHE MARRIES, YET HER/HIS CONCEALED PAST RESURFACES...



France, 18th century.

Young Anne is urged to dress as a man and to change her name due to her attraction to women. She marries and embarks on an intense love story with her spouse until past catches up with her on trial.

Based upon the true and poignant story of Anne Grandjean, born intersex, and her resounding trial, which still questions many of our certainties today.

LGBTQ+, Period Drama
France

Language: French
Delivery: Completed

ON RELEASE

IF ONLY I COULD HIBERNATE

DIRECTOR **Zoljargal Purevdash**

PRODUCERS **Frédéric Corvez, Maeva Savinien** (Urban Factory), **Zoljargal Purevdash** (Amygdala Films)

CAST **Battsooj Uurtsaikh, Nominjiguur Tsend, Tuguldur Batsaikhan, Batmandakh Batchuluun**

FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Eurozoom** (10th Jan 2024)

Drama | 2023
Mongolia, France, Switzerland, Qatar
Language: Mongolian

WATCH TRAILER

*“This assured featre is a drama which is rooted in the political,
but is never heavy-handed”* **SCREEN**DAILY

ON RELEASE

DESERTS

DIRECTOR **Faouzi Bensaïdi**

PRODUCERS **Barney Production, NiKo Film, Entre Chien et Loup, Mont Fleuri Production**

CAST **Fehd Benchemsi** (*American Sniper, Queen of the Desert*), **Abdelhadi Taleb**

FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Sophie Dulac**

Western | 2023
France, Germany, Morocco, Belgium
Language: Arabic
120'

*“Faouzi Bensaïdi delivers an ambitious film of two halves set in the harsh
moroccan desert”* **cineuropa**



A poor but prideful teenager, Ulzii, lives in the yurt area of Ulaanbaatar with his family. He is a physics genius and is determined to win a science competition to earn a scholarship. When his mother finds a job in the countryside, she leaves him and his younger siblings to face a harsh winter by themselves. Ulzii will have to take a risky job to look after them all and keep his home heated.



Mehdi & Hamid work for a collection agency in Casablanca. Prisoners of their own wandering, the two gawky associates visit remote villages of the great South of Morocco in order to get money out of indebted people.

ON RELEASE

PICTURES OF GHOSTS

THE
OSCARS
BRAZILIAN ENTRY

DIRECTOR **Kleber Mendonça Filho** (*Aquarius*, *Bacurau* - Jury Prize Cannes 2019)
PRODUCERS **Emilie Lesclaux** (CinemaScópio), **Sílvia Cruz**, **Felipe Lopes** (Vitrine Filmes)
USA DISTRIBUTOR **Grasshopper Film**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Urban Distribution & Dean Medias** (1st Nov 2023)

2023
Brazil
Language: Portuguese

WATCH TRAILER

"A wry, wistful doc that ponders what we lose when our picture palaces go dark"

VARIETY

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VARIETY

"Kleber Mendonça Filho immortalizes Brazilian Cinemas in deeply personal work. (...) Everyone in Recife can now point to this urgent, moving piece of preservation and find in it an eternal record of its film history"

IndieWire

"A plea for artists to value and engage with what their hometowns have to give them, and to use these places as inspiration for making great art. Which is exactly what Mendonça Filho has done here"

Little White Lies



PICTURES OF GHOSTS is a multidimensional journey through time, sound, architecture and filmmaking, set in the urban landscape of Recife, Brazilian coastal capital of Pernambuco: a historical and human territory, examined through the great movie theaters that served as spaces of conviviality during the 20th century. A map of a city through the lens of cinema.

ON RELEASE



AMORE MIO

DIRECTOR **Guillaume Gouix**
CAST **Alysson Paradis, Elodie Bouchez, Félix Maritaud**
PRODUCER **Agat Films & Cie**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Urban Distribution**

France. Today is Raphael's funeral. His young wife Lola refuses to attend the ceremony. On a whim, she takes her 7-year-old son and her sister on an improvised road trip. Heading south, they will rediscover each other, and learn about freedom. The freedom of choosing how to grieve.

Road Movie, Drama | 2022 | France
Language: French | 80'

ON RELEASE



THE SUBSTITUTE

DIRECTOR **Diego Lerman** (*A Sort of Family* - TIFF, San Sebastian 2017, *Refugiado* - Cannes Directors' Fortnight 2014)
CAST **Juan Minujín, Alfredo Castro, Bárbara Lennie**
PRODUCERS **Campo Cine, Vivo Film, Pimienta, Arcadia Motion Pictures**

Lucio, a prestigious university professor, takes the position of substitute teacher at a high school in the suburbs of Buenos Aires, where he grew up. Through tales, novels and poetry, he tries to distract his class from the harsh reality of their everyday lives. But soon, he must step out of his professional duties when Dilan, one of his students, is threatened by a

Drama Thriller | 2022 | Argentina, Mexico, Italy, Spain, France | Language : Spanish | 110'



ABDELINHO

DIRECTOR **Hicham Ayouch**
CAST **Ali Suliman, Aderrahim Tamimi, Inês Monteiro**
PRODUCER **President Productions**
MENA DISTRIBUTOR **Front Row**

Abdelinho is a big dreamer. He lives in a small town in Morocco with an overbearing mother, a discreet father and four sisters. Abdelinho is fascinated by everything that has to do with Brazil, to the point that he speaks the language fluently, dances samba and is madly in love with Maria, the heroine of a famous telenovela. When a televangelist comes to town, Abdelinho's life and the whole town are turned upside down.

Satirical Comedy, Romance | 2022 | Morocco
Language: Arabic, Portuguese | 100'



CHARCOAL

DIRECTOR **Carolina Markowicz**
CAST **Maeve Jinkings, César Bordón, Camila Márdila**
PRODUCERS **Superfilmes, Biônica Filmes, Ajimolido**
BRAZILIAN DISTRIBUTOR **Pandora**

Brazil. In a remote area in São Paulo's countryside, a rural family who lives beside a charcoal factory accepts a proposal to host a mysterious foreigner. The home soon becomes a hideout as the so-called guest happens to be a highly wanted drug lord. The mother, her husband and child will have to learn how to share the same roof with this stranger, while keeping up appearances of an unchanged peasant routine.

Noir Satire | 2022 | Brazil, Argentina | Language: Portuguese, Spanish | 107'

ON RELEASE



SPARE KEYS

DIRECTORS **Jeanne Aslan & Paul Saintillan**
CAST **Céleste Brunnquell** (*Origin of Evil*, *In Treatment*),
Quentin Dolmaire (*My Golden Days*, *Synonyms*)
PRODUCER **Haiku Films**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **New Story**

Over 300K \$ at the French Box Office

Nancy, east of France. Seeking to escape her troublesome family environment, Sophie, 15, jumps at the chance to get the spare keys to her wealthy friend Jade's house. While enjoying the spacious home she thought deserted for summer, she bumps into her friend's older brother Stéphane, who, as fate would have it, was also planning on staying. But instead of chasing her out, Stéphane will choose to leave the door open inviting in a summer Sophie never expected.

Romantic Comedy | 2022 | France
Language: French | 109'

ON RELEASE



HUG ME

DIRECTOR **Anna Błaszczuk**
PRODUCERS **Animoon sp. z o.o., Animex POLISH**
POLISH DISTRIBUTOR **New Horizons Association**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Eurozoom**

Today is the birthday of Teddy, an adventurous bear cub. Papa Bear wants his son to have a beautiful cake for the occasion! Alas, the honey reserves of the den and the surrounding hives have run out. Teddy convinces Papa Bear to go search for the Golden Land where, some say, there is an endless source of honey. Despite his fearful and overprotective character, Papa Bear agrees. Thus begins a journey full of surprises where father and son will learn how to trust each other.

Animation | 2022 | Poland, China
Language: English | 70'



NAYOLA

DIRECTOR **José Miguel Ribeiro**
PRODUCERS **Praça Filmes, S.O.I.L., JPL Films, il Luster**
FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR **Urban Distribution**

Angola. Three generation of women in a 25-year-long civil war: Helena (the grandmother), Nayola (the daughter) and Yara (the granddaughter). Past and present interlace. Nayola goes in search of her missing husband at the height of the war. Decades later, the country is finally at peace but Nayola has not returned. Yara has become a rebellious teenager and a subversive rap singer. Helena tries to contain her for fear of the police coming to arrest her. One night, a masked intruder breaks into their house, armed with a machete. An encounter like nothing they could have imagined...

Animation | 2022 | Portugal, Belgium, France, Netherlands | Language: Portuguese | 83'

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