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I WANT IT ALL. HILDEGARD KNEF

LUZIA SCHMID

DE 2025 · 98MIN · BIOGRAPHY, HISTORY, MUSIC, ARTS & CULTURE

Hildegard Knef: world star, style icon, grand dame of chanson, last German diva, feminist, opinionated, controversial, mirror and antithesis of her time. As an actress, singer and author, she celebrated international successes, experienced crushing defeats and was creatively active for more than five decades. This cinematic autobiography presents the image of a highly talented, ambitious, laconic and sharp-witted woman who showed the world how to survive fame and defeat, told via archive footage

BERLINALE PANORAMA 2025

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WOOLLY

REBEKKA NYSTABAKK

NO 2024 · 58/83 MIN · SOCIETY, HUMAN INTEREST, LGBTQ+, GREEN

In "Woolly", director Rebekka Nystabakk follows her sister Rakel as she becomes the 4th generation to run the family farm. Together with her wife Ida, Rakel is enthusiastic, but aware that they have a lot to learn. Rakel's father, a farmer for 40 years, knows what lies ahead: years when spring never arrives, summers of significant losses to predators, poor harvests, and sheep on the run. Every day is full of surprises, both frustrating and awe-inspiring, as they navigate their way in this new life.

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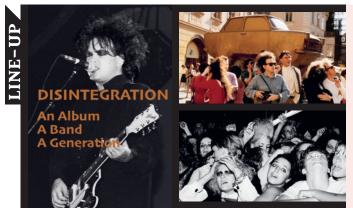


CLIMATE ART – FROM PROTEST TO UTOPIA

MATHIAS FRICK

DE 2025 · 52MIN · ART & CULTURE, GREEN, SOCIETY

Exploring the role of contemporary art in times of climate crisis, journalist Leonie Sontheimer guides us through a kaleidoscope of global artistic positions - from Olafur Eliasson to Agnes Denes and Sebastião Salgado to voices from the Global South. With them, the film not only highlights outstanding art on the subject, but also the responsibility of the global art world in the face of the crisis. An impressive stocktaking that shows how art can become creative resistance and activism.



DISINTIGRATION - AN ALBUM, A BAND, A GENERATION

TIM EVERS

DE 2024 · 52 MIN · MUSIC, ARTS & CULTURE, POP CULTURE, BIOGRAPHY

The Cure are the great outsiders of pop, having crafted an unmistakable sound of their own. An apolitical band in highly political times, they created their most iconic album in 1989: Disintegration—just months before the world order would shift with the collapse of the communicst bloc in Eastern Europe. This film traces the journey of a band whose music, identity, and individuality continue to inspire people around the world.



CHILDREN OF THE CULT

MAROESJA PERIZONIUS, ALICE MCSHANE

UK 2024 · 76 MIN · CRIME & INVESTIGATIVE

CHILDREN OF THE CULT is an international investigation into the Rajneesh movement, one of the world's largest cults, which had communes in over 30 countries during the 70s and 80s, and was featured in Wild Wild Country. Filmmaker Maroesja Perizonius, a former commune child, teams up with others from the same background to expose the hidden truths about the mistreatment of children within the cult. The film blends personal reflection with a revealing investigation.



DUST TO DUST

KOSAI SEKINE

JP 2024 · 89MIN · ARTS & CULTURE, FASHION, ENVIRONMENT, TECHNOLOGY

As the second Japanese designer ever invited to Paris Haute Couture Fashion Week, Yuima Nakazato is dedicated to merging his unique artistic vision with sustainable, green technology. DUST TO DUST chronicles Nakazato's journey towards socially responsible fashion, from the landfills of Kenya to the Paris runway. Through his ethereal designs, Nakazato offers a radical reimagining of the fashion industry, emphasizing a future where creativity and care for the world go hand in hand.

"HUMAN/NATURE AWARD" TRIBECA FILM FESTIVAL





HYDROGEN-REVOLUTION OR ILLUSION?

ANDREAS PICHLER

DE 2024 · 52/90MIN · ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY

Can daring pioneers of green hydrogen technology solve the huge energy problems of the future or is the hydrogen hype just a big bluff by the industry? HYDROGEN - REVOLUTION OR ILLUSION? follows pioneers in their daring projects and takes a visually stunning dive into the complex reality behind the global energy transition. It shows that the path to a green future is full of surprises, questionable decisions and unexpected challenges. A journey through the labyrinth of energy policy, ambitious plans and major personal challenges that shows us both problems and solutions.



TEACHES OF PEACHES

PHILIPP FUSSENEGGER, JUDY LANDKAMMER

DE 2024 · 102 MIN · ARTS & CULTURE, BIOGRAPHY, LGBTQ+, MUSIC, POP CULTURE, SEX & SEXUALITY, SOCIETY

Filmed during "The Teaches of Peaches Anniversary Tour", this documentary seamlessly weaves together exclusive archival gems with dynamic tour footage capturing the transformative journey of Canadian Merrill Nisker into the internationally acclaimed cultural powerhouse Peaches.

"TEDDY AWARD - BEST DOCUMENTARY" BERLIN INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL · CPH:DOX · HOT DOCS · SHEFFIELD DOC/FEST · FRAMELINE · MELBOURNE IFF





TANJA - UP IN ARMS

MARCEL METTELSIEFEN

DE 2023 · 52 / 85 MIN · BIOGRAPHY, GEOPOLITICS, HISTORY& ARCHIVE FOOTAGE, HUMAN INTEREST

In the early 2000s, 19-year-old Tanja from the Netherlands decides to go to Colombia as an au pair. Horrified by the injustice she observes, she joins the largest guerrilla army in the world, FARC, and takes up arms to fight. After years in the dangerous jungle, Tanja becomes a key member of the organization and is eventually assigned as part of the FARC delegation to peace negotiations that lead to the end of the longest civil war in Latin America's history.

DOKFEST MUNICH · MILLENNIUM AGAINST GRAVITY







EARLY APEX

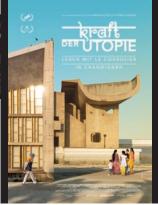
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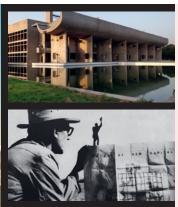
PL 2023 · 79 MIN · YOUTH, HUMAN INTEREST, SPORTS

Kid karting is governed by the same rules as competitions for adults – what matters is rivalry, a place on the podium and regular training. Not all children are ready for such a sacrifice. Mateusz has been practicing karting for a few years but he still does not meet the expectations and ambitions of his parents. Zosia has a talent and a supportive father but his problems with the law may hamper her further career. The film is not just a story about emotions in sports but, above all, about family relations.

SPECIAL MENTION & BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY KRAKOW FF







THE POWER OF UTOPIA

KARIN BUCHER, THOMAS KARRER

CH 2023 · 84 MIN · ARCHITECTURE, ARTS & CULTURE, HISTORY & ARCHIVE FOOTAGE, SOCIETY

With the construction of the Indian planned city of Chandigarh, the Swiss and French architect Le Corbusier completed his life's work 70 years ago. Chandigarh is a controversial synthesis of the arts, a bold utopia of modernity. The film accompanies four cultural workers who live in the planned city and reflects on Le Corbusier's legacy, utopian urban ideas and the cultural differences between East and.

"BEST FILM" VENICE ARCHITECTURE FILM FESTIVAL · ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN FILM FESTIVAL · FIFA · EIDF



IN THE MOOD FOR ART

MICHAEL SCHINDHELM

CH 2023 · 53 MIN · ARCHITECTURE, ARTS & CULTURE, HISTORY & ARCHIVE FOOTAGE. SOCIETY

The M+ Museum in Hong Kong, designed by Herzog & de Meuron, houses the world's most significant collection of contemporary Chinese art. Filmmaker Michael Schindhelm explores this architectural marvel and the collection amassed by Swiss art collector Uli Sigg. Additionally, he delves into the burgeoning young art scene surrounding the museum, portraying a generation of Hong Kong artists determined to maintain their independent voices amidst security laws and bureaucracy.

MILAN DESIGN FF · SEOUL IAFF · RIO DE JANEIRO IFF



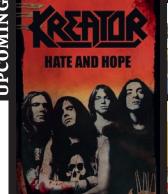


SHARING THE HARVEST

PHILIPP PETRUCH

DE 2023 · 81 MIN · NATURE & ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY, FOOD, HEALTH, SOCIETY

SHARING THE HARVEST tells the story of farmers who resist the growth pressure of our system and break free from conventional structures. With courage, a sense of community, and a new relationship between consumers and producers, we can change agriculture. And, in a small way, the world."





KREATOR - HATE AND HOPE (WT)

CORDULA KABLITZ-POST

DE 2025 · 90MIN · MUSIC, ARTS & CULTURE, BIOGRAPHY

From a school band from Essen to an internationally celebrated thrash metal legend: To mark Kreator's 40th anniversary in 2024, frontman Mille Petrozza plans to re-record his greatest hits at the famous Hansa Studios in Berlin together with greats from the metal scene such as Metallica, Sepultura, Slayer, Anthrax and many more. With exclusive private archive material, the story of Kreator is told for the first time.



KITKATCLUB - LIFE IS A CIRCUS

PHILIPP FUSSENEGGER

DE TBD · 90MIN · ARTS & CULTURE, LGBTQ+, POP CULTURE, SOCIETY

KITKATCLUB - LIFE IS A CIRCUS tells the story of the legendary Berlin club and its founder, whose life is inseparably interwoven with the light and dark sides of a hedonistic lifestyle.