

# FESTIVAL DE CINEMA EUROPEEN DES ARCS

BOURG SAINT MAURICE • LES ARCS • ARC 1950 LE VILLAGE



From the 11th to the 18th December, 2010

PRESS RELEASE

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Bourg Saint Maurice- Les Arcs- Arc 1950

### An ambitious festival for European Cinema



Last year, the successful first edition welcomed more than 9000 movie goers in the 6 cinemas of Les Arcs ski resort. **The second edition of Les Arcs European Film Festival whose vocation is to promote the diversity of independent cinema will take place this year from the 11th to the 18th December 2010.**

Organized by the non-profit organisation « Révélation Culturelles » and programmed by Frédéric Boyer, the festival which benefits from the exceptional scenery of one of the biggest ski resorts in the world has convinced the local population, holiday makers and more than 700 professionals from the film industry.

**This year the Jury will be presided by the Danish director Thomas Vinterberg** (*Festen*, *Submarino...*) who will award the *Crystal Arrow* to the winner of the official competition.

The Festival, which is open to both the public and professionals, offers a selection of **60 films that are both of the highest quality whilst remaining accessible to the general public**, proving that European cinema is not necessarily elitist and that the work of talented directors deserves being screened worldwide.

#### ON THE PROGRAMME THIS YEAR:

- **an official competition of 12 films** to introduce the general public to confirmed directors who are little known outside of their own frontiers.
- **a European panorama** composed of 8 films that are either public or critical successes in their own countries but have not yet been distributed in France.
- **The focus will be on Denmark this year** presenting a selection of 12 films honouring the national cinematography.
- **premières of films not yet released in France.**

- **A Youth Programme** aimed at school children from the region .
- **Student films** from the most prestigious European schools of cinema.
- **Meetings and debates** with the casts from the films selected
- **and also concerts and animation at night....**

**A dedicated work area for European professionals.** The festival welcomes producers, directors, distributors and exhibitors by providing a convivial atmosphere and the means to construct the European cinema of tomorrow :

- **the Arc 1950 Coproduction Village from the 11th to the 14th December** for which 20 European coproductions will be selected. The objective of this programme is to organize meetings with potential partners (European Regional Funds, distributors, coproducers, international sales agents...) in order to facilitate new European coproductions.
- **The Village of Schools** which brings together 8 of the most prestigious European schools of cinema in order to showcase future young producers.
- **The DIRE Days** (United Independent European Distributors) , during which 11 of the main French independent distributors will screen one European film from their 2011 line-up to one hundred exhibitors.
- **Professional conferences** on the theme « Scandinavian funding systems» in the presence of major Scandinavian producers and distributors.
- **and also round tables, lunches and sport's workshops** (snow shoes, slaloms, « pitches » on chairlifts....)

**REMINDER : Submission of a project for the Arc 1950 Coproduction Village is open.  
Registrations will close on the 17th September, 2010**

**Criteria:**

- The project must be a feature film of European origin and exceeding 75 minutes (animation, fiction, documentary)
- It must be directed by a European director who has already directed either a feature film or a noteworthy short film)
- It must already have raised at least 25% of its financing
- The producer(s) must be actively looking for complementary financing and/or a coproducer(s)
- Confirmed support from a European region (in development or in production) will be considered as a plus.

Additional information and registration forms on:

**[www.lesarcs-filmfest.com/les-evenements-pro/coproduction-village-arc-1950.html](http://www.lesarcs-filmfest.com/les-evenements-pro/coproduction-village-arc-1950.html)**

Combining quality and diversity of films with professional meetings, conviviality and festivity, Les Arcs European Film Festival aims at becoming **a reference place for European cinema for the general public and for professionals.**

The complete jury and final programme will be announced in October.

For all information, reservations and the programme  
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