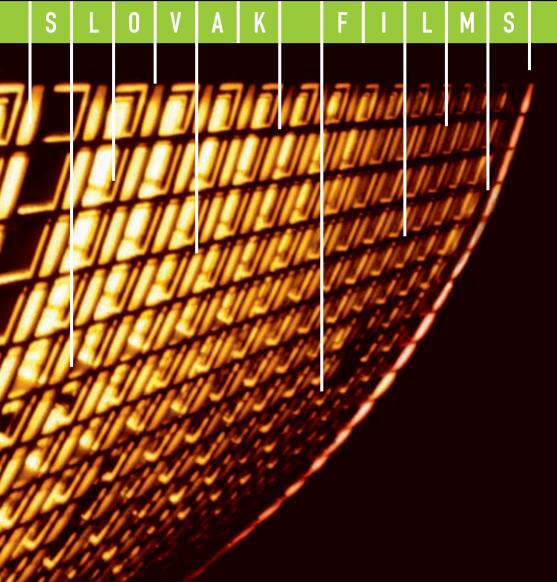
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This publication presents all Slovak and co-production full-length films and selected documentary and animated films made between 1993 and 2006.

This period of time was not chosen randomly. Before January 1, 1993 Slovakia was part of Czechoslovakia and, thus, it could consider the success and the Academy Awards given to Closely Watched Trains or the Shop on Main Street its own. However, the split of Czechoslovakia and the establishment of an independent Slovakia launched a new chapter in the history of Slovak cinema. In the 1980s and shortly after 1989 there were 6 to 10 feature films produced annually. With a new economic system, film production dropped to 1 to 3 films a year – a fact reflecting that on-going efforts towards continuity rather than regular film production characterized the situation in Slovak cinematography.

Between January 1, 1993 and May 1, 2006, there were 46 features and full-length documentaries made in Slovakia. Only nine of them – Rain Falls on Our Souls, Hannah and Her Brothers, Jašek's Dream, Autumn (yet) Strong Love, On the Beautiful, Blue Danube, Truth or Dare, Two Syllables Behind, Here We Are and Terminal Station – were made as entirely Slovak productions. The other films were released in cinemas thanks to major or minor co-production (mainly with the Czech Republic) and financial support from Slovak and international funds.

Despite the low number of new films, Slovak cinematography can be proud of having received such awards as the International Emmy Award (The Power of Good – Nicholas Winton), minor participation in the Academy Award nominee (Zelary), a nomination for a Student Academy Award (In the Box), awards from the festivals in Cottbus, Karlovy Vary, Mannheim – Heidelberg, Palm Springs, San Francisco, San Sebastian, and many others.

The recent years were marked by success with a slow increase recorded in the number of films made in Slovakia.

For information on Slovak film projects currently in development or in production, as well as information, statistics, and contacts of the Slovak audiovisual field, see Slovak Film Guide 2006.



THE ANGEL OF MERCY Anjel milosrdenstva

1993, col., 95 min. Director: Miloslav Luther Story: Vladimír Körner Script: Vladimír Körner. Miloslav Luther, Marián Puobiš **Director of Photography:** Vladimír Holloš Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, Antonín Dvořák, Johannes Brahms Editor: Patrik Pašš Cast: Ingrid Timková, Juraj Šimko, Josef Vajnar, Peter Šimun, Juraj Mokrý, Marta Sládečková Production Company: Ars Media, Slovenská televízia. Česká televize Shot on: KODAK Sales: Ars Media Odeská 13, 821 06 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-4552 3481, +421-2-4552 3492 Fax: +421-2-4552 3600 arsmedia@ba.telecom.sk

A psychological drama about the passionate affair of Anežka and Krištof who tried to find a little bit of happiness in the atmosphere of war in the inhospitable town of Halič during WWI. The impressive image of this rough and true relationship without any romantic idealization seems to be the only opposite to the cruel age full of violence and suffering.

Awards: Prix Europe for best television program of the year in Europe awarded by the Council of Europe, Berlin 1994; Prize of the critics for best television film, Main Prize for best actress to Ingrid Timková, Magnolia prize of the critics for best actress to Ingrid Timková – 5th ITF Shanghai 1994; Prize of Slovak film critics 1993; 2nd Prize in the category of television films – 2nd Balaton Television Festival of the Central European Initiative Keszthely 1994. 1993, col., 112 min. Director: Dušan Rapoš Story and Script: Dušan Rapoš, Jozef Paštéka Director of Photography: Peter Beňa Music: Pavol Habera, Vašo Patejdl Editor: Dušan Milko Cast: Pavol Habera. Eva Veimělková. Maroš Kramár, Helena Růžičková, Ibrahim Maiga, Pavel Bobek Production Company: Welcome film & TV. In Film. Slovenská filmová tvorba Bratislava - Koliba, JMS, Intersonic, Slovnaft Bratislava, MMC Energie Zlín Shot on: KODAK Sales: Sui Generis, P. O. BOX 4, 736 01 Havířov 1. Czech Republic Tel./Fax: +420-596 411 574 dusanrapos@suigeneris.sk IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2. Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz



THE FOUNTAIN FOR SUZANNE II Fontána pre Zuzanu 2

A sequel to a successful musical film about young people from 1985. The main character Suzanne, now eight years older, is released from prison after being unfairly convicted. Rony, the person who got her in trouble in the past, is the only person welcoming her back. When she meets Juraj, a truck-driver and talented singer, she realizes she is given an opportunity to start a new life. This picture was the most popular Slovak film of the 1990s.



ON THE BEAUTIFUL, BLUE DANUBE Na krásnom modrom Dunaji

1994, col., 126 min. Director: Štefan Semjan Story: Štefan Semjan Script: Štefan Semian. Martin Hečko **Director of Photography:** Martin Štrba Music: John Lurie, Iggy Pop Editor: Peter Kordáč Cast: Juraj Johanides, Maroš Kramár, Vladimír Hajdu, Silvia Šuvadová, Marián Labuda, Andrej Hryc Production Company: JMB Film & TV Production, Slovenská televízia, Slovak Film Institute - National Center of Cinematography Bratislava Shot on: KODAK Sales: Slovak Film Institute Grösslingová 32, 811 09 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-5710 1520 Fax: +421-2-5296 3461 sfu@sfu.sk www.sfu.sk

A crazy comedy about three boheme friends whose fascination with adventures verging on breaking the law, sexual freedom, loose entertainment and no fears of the consequences bring them to the idea of stealing an Andy Warhol painting from an exhibition in Bratislava.

Awards: Winner of the Czech and Slovak section of the Hartley--Merrill Prize script writing competition; shortlisted for contest of the Robert Redford Foundation and Sundance Institute.



PASSIONATE KISS Vášnivý bozk

1994, col., 87 min. Director: Miroslav Šindelka Story: Soňa Koželová, Miroslav Šindelka Script: Ondrej Šulaj, Miroslav Šindelka **Director of Photography:** Marek Jícha Music: Michal Kaščák Editor: Roman Varga Cast: Ivana Chýlková, Jiří Bartoška, Jozef Kroner, Szidi Tobiasová, Roman Luknár, Andrej Hryc, Katarína Kolníková Production Company: Charlie's, Slovenská televízia, ČNTS - Nova, Ateliéry Zlín, In Film Praha, EFA Praha Shot on: KODAK Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz

Hana is an attractive woman in her thirties. Her marriage lacks confidence and gentleness, her grandparents take care of her mentally disabled son. Then, her mundane careless life is interrupted by the infidelity of her husband and she has to make a decision. She can choose to stay in a superficial relationship that would give her financial stability or she can go her own way as an independent woman without material security. In the course of several hours she meets different people and passes through different environments that influence her decision.

As the director said: "Passionate Kiss is about relationships, partner relationships. I narrate the story on three levels: a melodramatic, a magic, and an action level."



... CRYING FOR THE MOON ... kone na betóne

1995, col., 90 min. Director: Stanislav Párnický Story and Script: Milka Zimková Script Co-Writer: Stanislav Párnický **Director of Photography:** Stanislav Szomolányi Music: Svetozár Štúr, Peter Šibilev Editor: Eduard Klenovský Cast: Milka Zimková, Vladimír Kratina, Michaela Čobejová, Marta Maťová, Ľubomír Paulovič Production Company: JMB Film & TV Production, Česká televize, Slovenská filmová tvorba Bratislava - Koliba. Slovenská televízia Shot on: KODAK Sales: JMB Film & TV Production Koreničova 12, 811 03 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-5464 1344, 5464 1346 Fax: +421-2-5464 1345 imb@imbfilm.sk. milanstranava@imbfilm.sk

A sequel to director Štefan Uher's succesfull Slovak poetical tragicomedy She Kept Crying For the Moon (1982). We meet Johana, her daughter Paulina, and all the other relatives and friends. This story is looking for an answer to the complexity of contemporary life in the Slovak countryside reflected in the life of a middle-aged woman who never met real happiness or love. Always striving to make the dreams of others come true, she forgot about her own aspirations. Can Johana find her own self, a partner for her life and also settle the relation-ships among her friends and relatives?

Awards: Special Award of the jury for performance and screenplay to Milka Zimková – 2nd Eurofilm Saint Etienne 1996.



THE GARDEN Záhrada

1995, col., 95 min. Director: Martin Šulík Story and Script: Martin Šulík. Marek Leščák Script Co-Writer: Ondrej Šulaj **Director of Photography:** Martin Štrba Music: Vladimír Godár Editor: Dušan Milko Cast: Roman Luknár. Marián Labuda, Zuzana Šulajová, Jana Švandová, Katarína Vrzalová Production Company: Charlie's, Slovenská televízia, ARTCAM International Paris. Česká televize. Slovenská filmová tvorba Bratislava - Koliba Shot on: KODAK Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz

The Garden is a story of thirty-year-old Jakub who is facing a period of problems. He is unable to work out his relationship with a married woman, he is not content with his job and he does not get along with his father too well. And so Jakub decides to make a major change in his life. He leaves for the countryside to his grandfather's old, abandoned house surrounded by a big garden. The extraordinary world in which he suddenly finds himself helps him to mend his relationship with his father and he learns to see life in a different way.

Awards: 1st Prize of the Audience – 44th IFF Mannheim – Heidelberg 1995; First Prize in the main competition – Cottbus 1995; Special Prize of the Jury, Special Prize of the FICC Jury, FIPRESCI Award, Prize of the Ecumenical Jury – 30th IFF Karlovy Vary 1995; 5 Czech Lions; Prix Italia – ITF Prix Italia Bologne 1995; Special Prize of the Jury, Prize of the Audience and Prize of the Loire Department – 2nd Festival of European Cinema Saint Etienne 1996; Award of the Czech Film Critics 1995; Award of the Slovak Film Critics 1995 and many more.

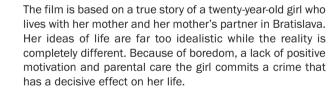


HAZARD Hazard

1995, col., 103 min. Director: Roman Petrenko Story and Script: Marek Maďarič – based on a true story Director of Photography: Miroslav Gábor Music: Martin Němec Editor: Darina Smržová Cast: Zuzana Kapráliková, Zuzana Ďurdinová, Pavel Landovský, Marek Vašut, Emília Vášáryová, Roman Pomajbo, Rudolf Hrušinský najml.

Production Company:

TF Art Production Bratislava, Slovenská televízia, Lucernafilm Praha **Shot on:** KODAK **Sales:** Slovenská televízia – Telexim Mlynská dolina, 845 45 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-6061 3589 Fax: +421-2-6542 7326 telexim@stv.sk







1995, col., 96 min. Director: Dušan Hanák Story and Script: Dušan Hanák **Director of Photography:** Alojz Hanúsek Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Gioacchino Rossini, Piotr Iljitsch Tschaikovski, Pavel Fajt Editor: Patrik Pašš, Alena Pätoprstá **Production Company:** ALEF štúdio, EÖS Films Lausanne, Les Films de L' observatoire, Krátky film a. s. Praha, Slovenská televízia, ZDF - ARTE Shot on: KODAK Sales: ALEF Film & Media Group Tekovská 7, 821 09 Bratislava 2 Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-5564 4791 Fax: +421-2-5556 1045 alef@webdesign.sk www.afm.sk

PAPER HEADS Papierové hlavy

"I think that we are unable to deal with our own past. Paper Heads is a reflection on freedom and lack of freedom. It talks about the relationship between the citizen and power and the lack of respect for human rights in the Czechoslovakia of 1945–1989. The film takes place in the framework of street theatre. The conclusion extends these happening motives by contemporary reflections of our times. The structure of the film is built around key events of the past regime and archive footage is applied in shortened, paradoxical and even humorous ways. In the testimonies I looked for the people's concrete human and universal dimensions in order to combine them in an emotional picture of man in socialist society." Dušan Hanák

Awards: Grand Prix – Golden Spire at Golden Gate Awards 1997 – 40th IFF San Francisco 1997; Run-up Price – IFF Yamagata 1997; Special Prize of the Jury of Documentary Films – 31st IFF Karlovy Vary 1996; Igric 1996 – Slovak Film Award; Prize of Slovak Film Critics; Kristián 1996 Award and many more.

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JAŠEK'S DREAM Jaškov sen

1996, col., 88 min. Director: Eduard Grečner Story: Eduard Grečner according to a short story written by D. Chrobák Script: Eduard Grečner **Director of Photography:** Ladislav Kraus Music: Jozef Malovec Editor: Roman Varga Cast: Emil Horváth ml., Zuzana Kapráliková, Branislav Mišík, Štefan Kožka, Ernest Šmigura Production Company: Slovenská filmová tvorba Bratislava - Koliba, Slovenská televízia. JMB Film & TV Production Shot on: KODAK Sales: Slovenská televízia - Telexim Mlynská dolina, 845 45 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-6061 3589 Fax: +421-2-6542 7326 telexim@stv.sk

A balladic story revealing a mysterious family drama of passion, crime and death. The love of a young woodsman for the daughter of a sawmill owner is marked by an old tragedy. It took place in the midst of the woods and made the girl and her father isolate themselves from the world. The past is revived again when a mysterious man appears at the sawmill.

1996, col., 130 min. Director: Dušan Rapoš Story: Dušan Rapoš, Eva Veimělková Script: Dušan Rapoš Director of Photography: Jiří Fojtík Music: Dušan Rapoš, Leonard Cohen, Giuseppe Verdi Editor: Dušan Milko Cast: Eva Vejmělková, Maroš Kramár, Bolek Polívka, Chantal Poullain, Marián Geišberg, Marián Slovák, Eva Krížiková, Božidara Turzonovová Production Company: Donar, Welcome Film & TV. Štúdio Koliba. Slovenská televízia, ČNTS Nova Shot on: KODAK Sales: Sui Generis P. O. BOX 4, 736 01 Havířov 1 **Czech Republic** Tel./Fax: +420-596 411 574 dusanrapos@suigeneris.sk www.suigeneris.sk

SUZANNE Suzanne

A drama about the love of two young drug addicts. Fear of death and a desire to give birth to her baby motivate Suzanne and give her the strength to stop using drugs. The film was made as part of the "Love Life Not Drugs" campaign. Its title recalls the series of three popular Slovak films Fountain for Suzanne.

Awards: Film of the highest artistic quality and the most popular film at the International Festival of Young Cinema Gdansk 1997.



BLUE HEAVEN Modré z neba

1997, col., 103 min. Director: Eva Borušovičová Story: Jana Skořepová Script: Jana Skořepová, Eva Borušovičová

Director of Photography: Jozef Šimončič Music: Ivan Král Editor: Jiří Brožek Cast: Zita Kabátová, Emília Vášáryová, Slávka Halčáková, Milan Mikulčík, János Bán, František Kovár, Jan Kačer Production Company: Charlie's, In Film Praha, Česká televize, Slovenská televízia Shot on: KODAK Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz

A tragicomedy about three women of different generations and nationalities living in their old house in the middle of a garden: mother, daughter and grandmother, Czechs and Slovaks. The three women live between the city and the countryside and struggle with everyday problems of a forced as well as embraced coexistence. Sincere effort to help each other sometimes causes pain. They want to understand one another, but they do not always succeed. Each longs for simple happiness and, if this were real life rather than a film, they would probably do anything for each other. And there is something else, something disrupting their peaceful lives, and it is men – men who come and go. There are several but only one is Mr. Right.

Awards: 3rd Place of the audience – 32nd IFF Karlovy Vary 1997.



1997, col., 99 min. Director: Laco Halama Story: Anton Baláž – novel Script: Anton Baláž **Director of Photography:** Zoltán Weigl Music: Rudolf Geri Cast: Juraj Kukura, Dana Dinková, Hana Gregorová, Mahulena Bočanová. Henrieta Mičkovicová. Štefan Kvietik, Oldřich Vízner, Jozef Vajda Production Company: Štúdio Koliba, Slovenská televízia, Infafilm Mníchov, JMB Film & TV Production Shot on: KODAK Sales: Štúdio Koliba and Slovenská televízia – Telexim Mlynská dolina, 845 45 BratislavaSlovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-6061 3589 Fax: +421-2-6542 7326 telexim@stv.sk

THE CAMP OF FALLEN WOMEN Tábor padlých žien

This story takes place in a reform camp for prostitutes from Bratislava. Soon after the political changes in February 1948 a legate of the Ministry of the Interior decides to clean the city of its "subverting and unreliable elements". After a police raid all the prostitutes are transported to work camps. The women are supposed to be converted to "politically conscious citizens", while the Jewish camp doctor Zigmund makes his ironic comments on the situation developing after the political changes. The filmmakers use their main characters to reflect the paradoxes of the era.

Awards: Award for the screenplay – 3rd EUROFILM Festival Luhačovice 1998.

1998, col., 102 min.

Music: Jaroslav Filip

Editor: Dušan Milko

Production Company:

Shot on: KODAK

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Story: Peter Pišťanek - novel

Script Co-writer: Vladimír Balco

Cast: Andrei Hrvc. Diana Mórová.

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Director of Photography: Martin Štrba



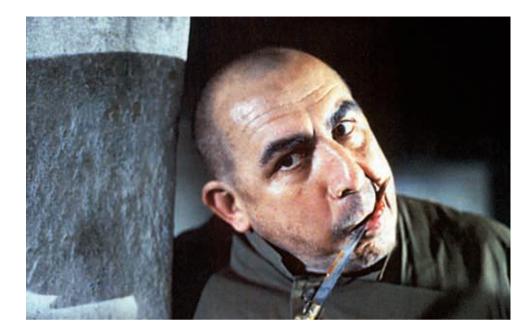
ORBIS PICTUS Orbis Pictus

1997, col., 109 min. Director: Martin Šulík Story: Martin Šulík, Marek Leščák Script: Martin Šulík. Marek Leščák. Ondrej Šulaj Director of Photography: Martin Štrba Music: Vladimír Godár, Gejza Dusík, Prúdy Editor: Dušan Milko Cast: Dorota Nvotová, Marián Zednikovič, Július Satinský, Hana Gregorová, Anton Šulík, Marián Labuda, Božidara Turzonovová, Emília Vášáryová, František Kovár Production Company: Charlie's. Česká televize, In Film Praha, Slovenská televízia Shot on: KODAK Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz

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The main character of the film is sixteen-year-old Terezka, a girl with a simple, almost childish view of the world and gifted with live imagination and playful spontaneity. She has to leave the children's home where she lived. She loses a sense of security and she has to leave a world she understood well and where others made decisions for her. She wants to find her mother in the city and sets out on a strange journey across Slovakia. The adventures she encounters teach her a lot about herself and our strange world. It is the fourth feature film of director Šulík and scriptwriter Šulaj who apply their traditional poetical imagery in creating a magical and satirical picture of reality.

Awards: Peace Prize – Festival of Central and Eastern European Cinema Alpe Adria Cinema Terst 1998; Prize of Slovak Film Critics; Igric – Slovak Film Prize to director Martin Šulík and to Martin Štrba for best cinematography; Special Prize of the Jury e. a. for best picture to Martin Šulík (together with Cinquiéme saison, directed by R. Pitts) and Honorary Award – 46th IFF Mannheim – Heidelberg 1997.



RIVERS OF BABYLON Rivers of Babylon

The film is based on a Slovak best-selling novel of the 1990s bringing a sarcastic simile of the rise of an individual to power. It is a story of a simple-minded, mysterious and brutal man called Rácz who comes to work in a hotel basement in the capital. He builds a career and gains financial and political power. This is the background of the exciting, foolish, dramatic and tragic situations between Rácz and the characters that come into his way. Nothing can stop him on his way to achieve his goals. He gains the support and respect of the people around the hotel without revealing his real face or identity. The film is a bitter metaphor saying that every person who does not resist evil becomes part of it.

Awards: Nomination for Czech Lion 1998 for best cinematography (Martin Štrba) and best actor in lead role (Andrej Hryc); Award of the Audience – Festival of Young European Cinema Torun 1999; Award of Slovak Film Critics 1998 to Marian Urban for film production; Slovak nomination for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 1999.





1998, col., 109 min. Director: Vladimír Michálek Script: Jiří Křížan Director of Photography: Martin Štrba Music: Michal Lorenc Editor: Jiří Brožek Cast: Boguslav Linda, Olaf Lubaszenko, Jiří Bartoška, Agnieszka Sitek, Vlasta Chramostová, Milan Riehs, Anton Šulík Production Company: BUC-Film,

Production Company: BUC-FIIM, Barrandov Biografia, Česká televize, Apple Film Production, Proart Production Slovakia, s.r.o., CDP Shot on: KODAK Sales: ČT – Telexport, Kavčí hory, 140 70 Praha 4, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-261 137 438 Fax: +420-261 211 354 telexport@czech-tv.cz

SEKAL HAS TO DIE Je treba zabiť Sekala

The story is set in the summer of 1943, in the village of Lakotice, untouched by the war. All the wealthy farmers are scared of a cruel and bitter man named Sekal, who accuses his neighbors of crimes against the Reich and reports them in order to get their property as a reward. In fear for their freedom, property, wives and daughters eyed by Sekal, the villagers decide to kill him. But none of them can find enough courage to commit the murder and they decide that the plan will be carried out by the stranger Jura Baran, a farmer, who fled to their village from the Gestapo.

Awards: 10 Czech Lions; Award of Czech Film Critics 1998; Czech nomination for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 2000; Award for best actor to 0. Lubaszenko and Special Award of the Ecumenical Jury – IFF Karlovy Vary 1998; Award for best screenplay e. a. – 23rd Festival of Polish Feature Films Gdyňa; Award for best sound – IFF Harare, Zimbabwe; Best Actor – 0. Lubaszenko, best screenplay, best producers – J. Bouček, D. Jablonski – Polish Film Awards for 1998. 1999, col., 91 min. Director: Matej Mináč Story: Jiří Hubač, Matej Mináč Script: Jiří Hubač **Director of Photography:** Dodo Šimončič Music: Janusz Stoklasa Cast: Josef Abrhám. Libuše Šafránková. Jiří Bartoška. Rupert Graves, Ondřej Vetchý, Branislav Holíček, Tereza Brodská, Marián Labuda, Ladislav Chudík Production Company: In Film, Sting, Titanic, Česká televize, STS Markíza Shot on: KODAK Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, **Czech Republic** Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz



ALL MY LOVED ONES Všetci moji blízki

The film is set before the outbreak of WWII, in the days following the signing of the Munich Treaty in 1938. The story of the fictitious Silberstein family serves as background for the introduction of the historical personality of Nicholas Winton. This brave Englishman organized several transports, saving 669 Jewish children who would have had no chance to escape the tragic destiny designed for them by Nazi ideology. The story is narrated in retrospective by ten-year-old David. Two years after this film Mináč shot his full-length documentary called The Power of Good – Nicholas Winton.

Awards: Czech Lion for best supporting actor to Jiří Bartoška; Award of the Audience – Finále Plzeň 2000; Special Prize of the Catholic Jury – 16^{th} IFF Troy 2000; 2^{nd} Place in the audience competition – 11^{th} IFF Palm Springs, California 2000; Special Mention to the most favorite film of the festival – 6^{th} IFF Sedon, Arizona 2000; People's Choice for best feature film – 11^{th} Jewish Film Festival Washington 2000; Slovak nomination for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 2000.



THE FOUNTAIN FOR SUZANNE III Fontána pre Zuzanu 3

1999, col., 105 min. Director: Dušan Rapoš Story and Script: Dušan Rapoš Director of Photography: Jirko Foitík Music: Václav Patejdl Editor: Robert Brown, Sean Hubbert Cast: Eva Vejmělková, Alessandro Coari, Marián Labuda, Ibrahim Maiga, Marilyn Ngondo, Bismillah Mdaka, Bliss Njala, Mosa Kaiser Production Company: Welcome Film & TV, Slovenská televízia, Štúdio Koliba. Horizont Slovakia Shot on: KODAK Sales: Sui Generis P. O. BOX 4, 736 01 Havířov 1 Czech Republic Tel.+Fax: +420-596 411 574 dusanrapos@suigeneris.sk www.suigeneris.sk

This romantic musical comedy is the third part of the series of films about Suzanne with songs of the stars of Slovak pop music. The heroine is grown-up now and she encounters romantic adventures in the exotic environment of an African village. Suzanne and her African friend Ibi go to visit his native tribe, where the young man is supposed to get married. The last time Ibi saw Nene, his bride-to-be, was when he was still a child. In order to avoid the obligation of marrying Nene he pretends that Suzanne is his wife.

Awards: Award for best foreign language film – International Film Festival Zoie, Atlanta 2000; Leigh Whipper Award – 2nd Place in the category of feature films – 23rd International Festival PhilaFilm, Philadelphia 2000.



THE MAGNIFICENT SIX Šesť statočných

1997-1999, col., 90 min.

Jaroslav Voitek (IV.). Martin

Repka (V.), Aurel Klimt (VI.),

Andrea Horečná

Andrea Horečná

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Charlie's

Director: Vladimír Král (I.), Vojtěch

Mašek (II.), Tereza Kučerová (III.),

Script: Vladimír Král (I.), Vojtěch

Mašek (II.), Tereza Kučerová (III.),

Jaroslav Vojtek, Laura Siváková (IV.),

Dušan Dušek (V.), Aurel Klimt (VI.),

Production Company: VŠMU,

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 II. Tommy / Tomík (CZ, 1997, 8 min.) – A micro-comedy about

a young pedophile. III. Prague Nocturne or a Chamber / Pražské nokturno aneb

komora (CZ, 1998, 7 min.) – An animated view into the human soul.

IV. **Dreamers / Rojkovia** (SK, 1998, 32 min.) – A poetical film about a young documentary filmmaker.

V. **Thieves / Zlodeji** (SK, 1999, 20 min.) – A story inspired by Kafka set at a housing estate.

VI. **The Magic Bell / O kouzelném zvonu** (CZ, 1998, 15 min.) – An animated fairy-tale.

Awards: Prize of Slovak Film Critics for 2000 in the category of feature films.

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THE LANDSCAPE Krajinka

2000, col., 110 min. Director: Martin Šulík Story and Script: Dušan Dušek. Martin Šulík **Director of Photography:** Martin Štrba Music: Vladimír Godár Editor: Dušan Milko Cast: Marián Labuda. Eva Večerová, Vilma Cibulková, Csongor Kassai, Věra Galatíková, Jan Kraus, Jiří Schmitzer, Anna Šišková Production Company: Charlie's, Infilm Praha, Titanic, Slovenská televízia. Česká televize Shot on: KODAK Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz

This is a story of a country made of the stories of its people. It is not history and yet, these particular stories compose a picture of an era – its highlights and tragic moments. The everyday lives of village people (little Imrich, soldier Cyprus, wanderer Cyril, doctor Roth, tailor Ondráš, poacher Korman, and others) pictured with love and kind humour show us the flow of time and the way this small imaginary world in Central Europe changed in the course of the 20th century.

Awards: Main Prize – Golden Grape – Lubuskie Film Summer Lagow 2001; Karel Zeman Award for best feature film from V4 countries – IFF Zlín 2001; FICC Award – Finále Plzeň 2001; UNDA Award – Prix Italia 2001; Georges Delerue Award for best film score to Vladimír Godár – IFF Gent 2001; Don Quijote – Award of the Jury of FICC, Finále Plzeň 2001; Igric – Slovak Film Award, Award of Slovak Film Critics in the category of feature films; Nomination of the Slovak Film and Television Academy for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 2001.

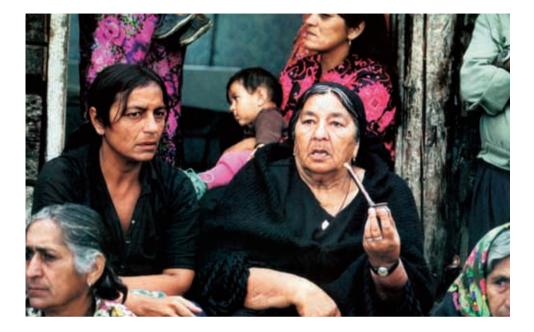


2000, col., 96 min. Director: Václav Vorlíček Story: Jozef Cíger-Hronský Script: Ondrei Šulai Director of Photography: Emil Sirotek Music: Krzesimir Debski Editor: Dalibor Lipský Cast: Braňo Holíček, Juraj Kukura, Klára Jandová, Waldemar Kownacki, Jiří Langmajer, Andrej Mojžiš, Marta Sládečková Production Company: AG Studio Bratislava, Oko Film Studio Warszawa, Jeck Film Paris, Focus Film Budapest, Česká televize, Slovenská televízia, AB Barrandov, **BAMAC Production Company** Shot on: KODAK Sales: AG Studio Azalková 8, 821 01 Bratislava 2 Slovak Republic Tel./Fax: +421-2-4329 3544 agstudio@euroweb.sk

THOMAS THE FALCONER Sokoliar Tomáš

It is a historical coproduction with fairy-tale elements set in the Middle Ages. It is a story of fourteen-year-old Thomas who lives in the heart of a beautiful countryside, under the castle of powerful lord Balador. His life flows by calmly, until he loses his father. Methodius goes to ask for work at Balador's castle and Thomas decides to go with him. The young boy falls in love with Balador's daughter Formina. Later, he wants to escape from cruel punishment and runs away to the mountains. He meets and old falconer there and wins the friendship of the mystical King of Falcons, who is a symbol of freedom and faith.

Awards: Main Prize of the Audience – International Festival of Films for Children and Youth, Zlín, 2000; 2nd Prize – IFF Chicago 2000; Special Award ex aequo – 10th Festival of Young Eastern European Cinema, Cottbus 2000; Main Prize for a dramatic program – 16th International Television Festival of Programs for Children and Youth – Prix Danube, Bratislava 2001; Special Award of the Jury in the category of feature films for children and youth – IFF Cartagena 2001.





2000, col., 94 min. Director: Drahomíra Vihanová Script: Drahomíra Vihanová, Vladimír Vondra

Director of Photography: Juraj Šajmovič Music: Emil Viklický, Ida Kelarová Editor: Josef Valušiak Cast: Adrian Jastraban. Gustav Řezníček, Zuzana Stivínová Production Company: Cineart TV Prague, Česká televize, Slovenská televízia, Kvart Film Bratislava, Margo Films Paris, Krátký Film Praha Shot on: KODAK Sales: Filmexport Prague Distribution M. Cibulkové 34, 140 00 Praha 4 Czech Republic Tel.: +420-244 014 216 Fax: +420-244 014 218 filmexport@volny.cz

THE PILGRIMAGE OF STUDENTS PETER AND JACOB Správa o putovaní študentov Petra a Jakuba

Peter and Jacob are two best friends studying in Prague. In the summer they set out on a journey across Slovakia and meet a Roma boy, Imro. Imro loves Eržika, who sinned against the old tradition by breaking her vow of fidelity. And a vow is the law. In a fit of jealousy Imro kills his woman and he is facing two punishments. That from the "white" majority and another from his own Roma community. Peter and Jacob see Imro's tragic fate and their opinions on justice and punishment begin to differ decisively. Their academic debate develops into a major conflict of attitudes toward life.

Awards: Award of the Student Jury for best film – Finále Plzeň 2001; Award of Youth – International Film Festival CINEMA Tout Ecran, Geneva 2001; Silver Prize in the category of foreign feature films – 34th IFF World-Fest, Houston, Texas 2001; Nomination for the Czech Lion 2000 for best music. 2001, col., 77 min. Director: Vladimír Adásek Script: Vladimír Adásek **Director of Photography:** Juraj Chlpík Music: Ivan Čermák Editor: Alena Pätoprstá Cast: Martin Keder. Marta Žuchová. Lucia Hurajová, Patrícia Jariabková, Rudo Kratochvíl, Juraj Mojžiš, Vladimír Adásek, Karol Čálik, Csongor Kassai, Gabika Dzuríková **Production Company:** Saint Anthony, VŠMU, **Trigon Production** Shot on: KODAK Sales: Saint Anthony Agátová 1333, 905 01 Senica Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-908 431 922 advno-a@post.sk



HANNAH AND HER BROTHERS Hana a jej bratia

The film Hannah and Her Brothers is a joyous and poetic story about a "prison in freedom", set in an urban environment. The story follows two lines – one of them taking place in a cabaret and the other one in the family of the main character Martin. The characters in the cabaret live as if in an entirely different world compared to that of Martin's crazy family. Through Martin's eyes we meet his parents, aunts, uncles, and cousins but also people living in the streets that he meets every day. Each character of this story has their own problems and resolves them in their own peculiar ways. Martin, surrounded by the net of these complicated relationships, searches for someone with a little understanding.

2002



TRUTH OR DARE Vadí nevadí

2001, col., 110 min. Director: Eva Borušovičová Script: Soňa Borušovičová. Eva Borušovičová **Director of Photography:** Tomáš Juríček Music: B3, Best Before, Bezmocná hŕstka, Čoklitkejk, Free Faces, Frogski Pop, Happy Melon, Klaxon, Seven Days to Winter, Andrej Šeban, TC Lemons, Dežo Ursíny, Veneer Editor: Jiří Brožek Cast: Drahomír Frank, Lucia Obenauová, Milan Mikulčík, Anna Šišková, Boris Farkaš, Alexander Bárta, Richard Stanke, Marek Majeský, Peter Sklár, Csongor Kassai Production Company: Štúdio Koliba, TV Markíza, Studio Honza Shot on: KODAK Sales: Studio Honza, Velehradská 7. 821 08 Bratislava, Slovak Republic studio@studio-honza.sk

The story of the film takes place in Bratislava and its surroundings during one weekend. Speaker Galager is seated in front of a microphone in an alternative radio station and predicts a hard night and an even more difficult weekend. And as it turns out, he was right. Pašo is a slightly problematic singer who just got sacked from his band. Jazmína is facing a deadline for submitting her diploma thesis after several tiring hours working as a waitress in a café. When the two of them meet, it does not turn out too well. Slowly there are more and more characters entering the scene and the situation grows more and more complicated. It is not easy to survive until Monday, since, as one of the characters said: Slovakia is like Italy, and even slightly worse, because here we are few and everybody knows each other.



CRUEL JOYS Kruté radosti

2002, col., 105 min. Director: Juraj Nvota Story: Scarlett Čanakyová Script: Scarlett Čanakyová, Juraj Nvota

Director of Photography: Jan Malíř Music: Ľubica Salamon-Čekovská Editor: Alois Fišárek Cast: Anna Šišková. Ondřej Vetchý. Dorota Nvotová, Július Satinský, Csongor Kassai, Táňa Pauhofová, Milan Mikulčík, Ady Hajdu Production Company: ALEF Film & Media Group, Slovenská televízia. Total HelpArt, FilmService Slovakia, Česká televize, UN FILM Shot on: KODAK Sales: ALEF Film & Media Group Tekovská 7, 821 09 Bratislava 2 Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-5564 4791 Fax: +421-2-5556 1045 alef@webdesign.sk. www.afm.sk

The feature debut of the significant Slovak theatre and television director Juraj Nvota is a story set in the 1930s, before the war. It is a story of a complicated and tragic relationship of an adolescent girl and her ambitious father, taking place in a simple and impressive picturesque country, seemingly isolated from the world and its major historical, political, and social changes. The arrival of an unwanted human being marks the diffcult everyday life of this provincial society by a drama that is first hardly noticable, then surpressed and finally open and cruel. From under the facade of a peaceful and ordered life it brings up hidden passions, emotions, affection, hatred and attempts at searching one's own identity.

Awards: Slovak nomination for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 2003; Igric – Slovak Film Award in the category of feature films; Award of Slovak Film Critics; Award of the Audience – Festival of Slovak Films Cran-Gevrier 2003; 2 nominations for the Czech Lion in categories; the Silver Arrow for Best Leading Actor – 9th IFF Faces of Love, Moscow 2004.



ESCAPE TO BUDAPEST Útek do Budína

2002, col., 135 min. Director: Miloslav Luther Story: Vladislav Vančura - novel Script: Martin Porubiak. Marian Puobiš, Miloslav Luther **Director of Photography:** Vladimír Holloš Music: Peter Mankovecký Editor: Rudolf Mihálik Cast: Lenka Vlasáková, Ondřej Sokol, Bolek Polívka, Irena Konvalinová, Klára Sedláčková, Petr Motloch Production Company: Ars Media, Slovenská televízia, Česká televize, Tivoli Filmprodukció Shot on: KODAK Sales: Ars Media, Odeská 13 821 06 Bratislava, Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-4552 3481, +421-2-4552 3492 Fax: +421-2-4552 3600 arsmedia@ba.telecom.sk www.utekdobudina.sk

It is a picture of an era and a family. It talks about passions, defeats, and disappointments of the heroes who experience their dramatic lives in Prague, in Slovakia, in Budapest and in Vienna against the background of major social, economic and political changes in the after-war period, following the break-up of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Through the love story of Jana and Tomáš, a Czech woman and a Slovak man, the authors of the film address issues of a deeper meaning, positives and negatives of the common life of the two nations. The filmmakers also want to bring a homogenous picture from a distance in time and record the inner pulsation of the changing and vital world of Central Europe.

Together with the feature, a five-part television series was also made with the same title.

Awards: Camera Award 2003 of the Association of Slovak Cinematographers in the category of feature films.

2002, col., 64 min., documentary Director: Matej Mináč Script: Matej Mináč, Patrik Pašš **Director of Photography:** Antonín Daňhel, Antonín Weiser, Peter Zubal, Richard Krivda Music: Janusz Stoklasa Editor: Patrik Pašš Production Company: Trigon Production, W.I.P., Slovenská televízia, Slovenský filmový ústav, Česká televize Sales: Trigon Production Hríbová 9, 821 05 Bratislava 2 Slovak Republic Tel./Fax: +421-2-4445 8477 trigon@trigon-production.sk, patrik.pass@trigon-production.sk www.trigon-production.sk



THE POWER OF GOOD – NICHOLAS WINTON Sila ľudskosti – Nicholas Winton

A documentary about Nicholas Winton from UK who between March and August 1939 saved 669 mainly Jewish children from transports of death and found them new homes in Great Britain. After the start of WWII, Winton joined the Royal Air Force without telling anyone about his deed. It was not until 1988 that his wife discovered some documents about what happened. His story was revealed to the public and Winton was even given a chance to meet some of "his" children. The use of archive footage, photographs and various testimonies make the film into a stirring documentary of the courage of an individual whose determination saved many human lives.

Awards: International Emmy Award 2002 in the category of documentary films; Audience Award – Washington Jewish Film Festival 2002; First Prize – 1st Warsaw Jewish Film Festival 2003; Special Mention – Festroia 2003, Portugal; Crystal Menorah in the category of documentaries – 3rd Nine Gates Film Festival Prague 2002; Christopher Award 2006; Spirit Award – Pacific Jewish Film Festival 2005, San Antonio.





QUARTÉTTO Quartétto

2002, col., 90 min. Director: Laura Siváková Story and Script: Laura Siváková **Director of Photography:** Tomáš Juríček Music: Peter Groll Editor: Maroš Šlapeta Cast: Klára Dubovicová. Diana Mórová. Zuzana Mauréry. Lenka Fillnerová-Robaye, Peter Bebjak, Ján Kroner, Ivo Heller Production Company: Charlie's, Česká televize Sales: IN FILM Praha, s.r.o., Máchova 21, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 510 613 infilm@mbox.vol.cz

Three sisters and their mother are the protagonists of this drama. To her daughters, the mother personifies a model of a domineering woman whom they do not understand but still respect. Deep in their hearts they long for love, openness and friendship but they do not know how to get closer to her. They do not understand why their mother could not love them all, instead of choosing one of them as a toy that after some time she would throw away. Nor do they understand their mother's discontent at her life. They know nothing about her unfulfilled desire for a career, her lack of love for her husband, or her secret love from her youth. It is a story of unfulfilled love and a desire to love and be loved.

Awards: Award of the Audience – 4th IFF Bratislava 2002; Igric – Slovak Film Award in the category of Television Drama; Bronze Grape – 33rd Lubuskie Film Summer Lagow 2003. 2002, col., 80 min. Director: Vlado Balco Story and Script: Jozef Paštéka **Director of Photography:** Peter Bencsík, Ján Ďuriš, Laco Kraus Music: Oskar Rózsa Editor: Alena Pätoprstá Cast: Erik Ollé. Kristína Svarinská. Stano Dančiak. Ivana Nováková. Karol Šimon, Alexandra Záborská Production Company: Trigon Production, Slovenská televízia, Ateliéry Bonton Zlín Shot on: KODAK Sales: Trigon Production Sibírska 39, 831 02 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel./Fax: +421-2-4445 8477 trigon@trigon-production.sk, patrik.pass@trigon-production.sk www.trigon-production.sk

RAIN FALLS ON OUR SOULS Dážď padá na naše duše

A film set in the present times, a thrilling, humorous, and emotional story of young people brought together by chance to wander through city and nature. On his escape, a young criminal meets a girl and kidnaps her. But the girl develops a strange relationship to her kidnapper and she turns from a hostage to a fellow fugitive. Her short life has not been very happy either. They want to run away somewhere, where life would be happier.

Awards: Award for best film of the festival – International Festival of Children Films Kinotavrik Soči 2003.



SOME SECRETS Výlet

2002, col., 100 min. Director: Alice Nellis Script: Alice Nellis **Director of Photography:** Ramunas Greičius Music: Tomáš Polák Editor: Josef Valušiak, Adam Dvořák Cast: Iva Janžurová. Theodora Remundová. Sabina Remundová. Igor Bareš, Naďa Kotršová, Dan Bárta, Jiří Macháček, Martin Šulík, Anna Geislerová, Kryštof Hádek Production Company: Filmia, Česká televize, Ars Media, Amp Studio Virtual Shot on: KODAK Sales: Filmia s.r.o., Musílkova 49, 150 00 Praha 5, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-257 533 353 Mobile: +420-602 541 033 Fax: +420-257 533 357 pavelsolc@filmia.cz www.filmia.cz

"The film 'Some Secrets' is basically a diary of a special family expedition. A widowed mother, her two adult confused daughters, her a little too good son-in-law, an energetic grandmother and a small grandson – they all head for Slovakia in two cars to fulfill the father's last wish. A boring family obligation soon turns into a journey which is bound to change everything about their future. It is an incoherent group of people, each with their own life and problems. The trip confirms that their personal lives are not going to move forward unless they open up and resolve their issues of the past..." Alice Nellis

Awards: Special mention of FICC – 15^{th} Finále Plzeň 2002; Award of New Directors – 50^{th} IFF San Sebastian 2002; Kristián Award 2002 for feature production for cinema, TV or video distribution; Award of Czech Film Critics Czech Lion 2002 for best actress – Iva Janžurová, best screenplay; Golden Arch – 18^{th} IFF of First and Second Films Paris 2003; Award for best actor to Igor Bareš – 2^{nd} IFF Tribeca, New York 2003; Golden Dolphin for best screenplay – IFF Festroia Setúbal 2003.



66 SEASONS 66 sezón

2003, col., 86 min., documentary Director: Peter Kerekes Script: Peter Kerekes **Director of Photography:** Martin Kollár Music: Marek Piaček Editor: Marek Šulík **Production Company:** Slovenská televízia - štúdio Košice. Česká televize. Peter Kerekes Shot on: KODAK Sales: Deckert Distribution Peterssteinweg 13 04107 Leipzig, Germany Tel: +49-0341 215 66 38 Fax: +49-0341 215 66 39 info@deckert-distribution.com www.66seasons.com

Seen through several stories which unfolded between the years 1936 and 2002, the film captures 66 seasons at the popular old swimming pool in Košice, and also the same number of years in the history of Central and Eastern Europe. The film is supported by the reminiscences of several visitors to the pool, which the film crew try to reconstruct years later. The swimming pool thus acquires a metaphysical dimension – it resembles a model of the world where, with greater intensity, private stories merge with events of grand history (for example, the bombing of Košice during WWII or the Soviet invasion of 1968). Over the course of the decades different generations of swimmers replaced one another, only the craving for water as a place of absolute equality and also a source of security remains as strong as ever.

Awards: Award for Best Central European Documentary 2003 ex aequo – 7th International Festival of Documentary Films Jihlava 2003; Best Film Award – 6th Tel-Aviv International Documentary Film Festival 2004.



AUTUMN (YET) STRONG LOVE Jesenná (zato) silná láska

2003, col., 82 min. Director: Zita Furková Story: Rudolf Sloboda short stories Script: Zita Furková **Director of Photography:** Dodo Šimončič Music: Peter Mankovecký Editor: Miloš Staňo Cast: Jozef Vajda, Ester Geislerová, Anna Javorková, Richard Mešťan, Milan Lasica, Peter Mankovecký, Peter Šimun Production Company: Artkrea Sales: Artkrea Slepá 3, 811 01 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-903 700 782 +421-2-659 563 86 +421-2-544 138 02 Fax: +421-2-659 565 79 nina@artefakt.sk

This writing, directing and producing debut of actress and theater director Zita Furková is based on a book of short stories written by Rudolf Sloboda. It tells a story of an aging composer living in a loveless marriage that does not give him any more inspiration for his creative work or for his life. After his meeting of a young poet he finds love and inspiration that he had been seeking in his music.

As the director said: "Every creator is an egoist. And love is one of the strongest motives of the human ego."





2003, col., 100 min. Director: Roman Vávra Story: Miloš Macourek, Roman Vávra Script: Ondrej Šulaj, Roman Vávra **Director of Photography:** Ramunas Greičius Music: Petr Ostrouchov Editor: Tonička Janková Cast: Iva Janžurová. Táňa Pauhofová. Csongor Kassai, Josef Somr, Štěpán Kubišta, Ivan Shvedoff, Jiří Lábus Production Company: Verbascum, Česká televize, Bamac, Slovenská televízia, Barrandov Studio, Mediarex Movie Shot on: KODAK Sales: Verbascum, Černá 6, 110 00 Praha 1, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-224 930 077 Fax: +420-224 930 384 verbascum@email.cz www.certviepreco.sk

THE DEVIL KNOWS WHY Čert vie prečo

In the land of king Dobromil people stopped valuing work, politeness and mutual respect. Instead, the power of hell is coming in the country and those with a little honesty left in them rather choose to flee. Strange Apolena, the local healer, has a dream telling her that the kingdom can only be saved by an unknown "savior" who comes with a donkey and marries Anička, the king's daughter. But who would believe a crazy woman? It is a romantic story combined with surprising humor, where love changes into hatred only to miraculously change back into pure love again.

Awards: Nomination for the Czech Lion for best visual achievement to František Lipták.



FAITHLESS GAMES Neverné hry

2003, col., 93 min. Director: Michaela Pavlátová Story: Tina Diosi Script: Tina Diosi. Michaela Pavlátová **Director of Photography:** Martin Štrba Music: Petr Hromádka Editor: Tonička Janková Cast: Zuzana Stivínová. Peter Bebjak, Jana Hubinská, Ady Hajdu, Kristína Svarinská, Ivana Chýlková Production Company: Negativ, Ars Media, Česká televize, Slovenská televízia Sales: Negativ, Ostrovní 30/126 110 00 Praha 1, Czech Republic Tel./Fax: +420-220 806 353 Mobile: +420-606 659 725 john@negativ.cz

This debut of successful animator Michaela Pavlátová tells the story of Eva, a piano player, who follows her husband, Peter, a musician and composer, to a small village on the Slovak-Hungarian border. While the place is peaceful enough for Peter to compose, Eva fails to find work. She feels disconnected from her family and her friends in Prague. Their "loneliness in two" is broken by the arrival of Andrej and two women, who move into their garden house. Faithless Games is a drama about love, infidelity, human failures, and a search for identity. The wonderful photography of Martin Štrba gives the film's ordinary moments a unique feeling.

Awards: Don Quijote Prize of the FICC Jury – 13th Film Festival of Eastern European Cinema Cottbus 2003; Special Mention in the competition section of Young Directors – 51st IFF San Sebastian; Golden Kingfisher Award for best feature – Finále Plzeň 2004; Nominations for the Czech Lion for best actress (Z. Stivínová), best cinematography, best sound (D. Němec); Golden Grape at 34th Lubuskie Summer Film Lagow 2004.



2003, col. 95 min. Director: Ivan Vojnár Story and Script: Martin Ryšavý **Director of Photography:** Ramúnas Greičius Music: Vojtech Havel, Irena Havlová Editor: Šárka Němcová Cast: Jiří Schmitzer, Jitka Prosperi, Zdeněk Novák, Petra Poláková **Production Company:** Gaga produkce, Česká televize, Synergia Film, Studio Virtual, Margo Films, ALEF Film & Media Group, FilmService Slovakia Shot on: KODAK Sales: ALEF Film & Media Group Tekovská 7, 821 09 Bratislava 2 Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-5564 4791 Fax: +421-2-5556 1045 alef@webdesign.sk www.afm.sk

FOREST WALKERS Lesní chodci

This story of authentic heroes of two generations reflects on the possibility of justification of escaping the reality of place, time and responsibility. In the narrative bordering on fiction and documentary past overlaps the present. In a world limited by various forms of power the characters choose to live as outsiders passing through times of despair as well as hope.

Awards: Award of the Minister of Culture of the Czech Republic for best feature from the V4 countries – 43th International Festival of Films for Children and Youth Zlín 2003.





IT WILL STAY BETWEEN US Zostane to medzi nami

2003, col., 100 min. Director: Miro Šindelka Story: Miro Šindelka Script: Slavena Pavlásková, Miro Šindelka

Director of Photography: Ján Ďuriš Music: Michal Kaščák, Slavo Solovic Editor: Ľuba Ďurkovičová Cast: Danica Jurčová. Michal Dlouhý. Tomáš Hanák, Anna Šišková, Božidara Turzonovová, Radomír Brzobohatý, Zdena Studenková, Miro Noga Production Company: Film Factory, Film Factory CZ Shot on: KODAK Sales: Film Factory, Mudroňova 59, 811 03 Bratislava 1, Slovak Republic Tel./Fax: +421-2-5464 0055, +421-2-5443 0179 film@filmfactorv.sk www.filmfactory.sk www.zostanetomedzinami.sk

A tragicomic story of three people seeking ways to deal with their partner relationships. Danica has been living with Michal, a successful businessman, but the life they share is cold. Their relationship is directed by Michal's rationality, which leaves no space for emotions. Instead, he is systematically planning all the details of their present and future life. When Danica meets Tomáš, she is fascinated by his feelings that represent a thoroughly different side of love. On the other hand, Tomáš carries a heavy burden of a mysterious past that he is unable to deal with. These three people are brought together by chance and they cannot come out of the dramatic situation without future consequences.



KING OF THIEVES Kráľ zlodejov

2003, col., 104 min.

Director of Photography:

Music: Michael Kocáb

Editor: Ivana Davidová

Helga Bähr, Wega Film

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Shot on: KODAK

Germany

Cast: Lazar Ristovski, Yasha

Kultiasov, Katharina Thalbach

Production Company: Lichtblick

Filmproduktion, Charlie's, Slavia

Capital, In Film Praha, Ivan Fila

Filmproduktion, Mact-Productions,

Director: Ivan Fíla

Script: Ivan Fíla

Vladimír Smutný

A harshly realistic, yet moving and gentle story of a modern Oliver Twist. The main character is a nine-year-old Ukrainian boy Barbu, who lives in a poor village somewhere "on the end of the world". A breeze of the big distant world arrives in the village with a former circus artist Caruso who buys the boy from his parents, promising him a circus career. Despite the fact that Caruso introduces the boy to the art of stealing and pick-pocketing rather than the art of circus, they develop a strange relationship.

Awards: Slovak nomination for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 2004; Czech Lion for best actor (Yasha Kultiasov), best music (Michael Kocáb), best photography (Vladimír Smutný) and best sound (Zdeněk Taubler); Audience Award "Silver Lion" – St. Petersburg International Film Festival 2004.

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2003, col., 150 min. Director: Ondřej Trojan Story: Květa Legátová - novel Jozova Hanule Script: Petr Jarchovský Director of Photography: Asen Šopov Music: Petr Ostrouchov Editor: Vladimír Barák Cast: Anna Geislerová. György Cserhalmi, Iva Bittová, Miroslav Donutil, Jaroslava Adamová, Jaroslav Dušek, Ivan Trojan Production Company: Total HelpArt, Barrandov Studio. Dor Film. ALEF Film & Media Group Shot on: KODAK Sales: ČT – Telexport, Kavčí hory 140 70 Praha 4, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-261 137 438 Fax: +420-261 211 354 telexport@czech-tv.cz www.zelary.com

ZELARY Želary

The film takes its viewers to the totalitarian times of Nazism and following socialism. Eliška, a student of medicine, escapes from the Gestapo to the village of Želary. The gentle girl from the city has to get used to the environment and hard life in a mountain village as well as to uneducated Joza, the man she marries. She enters a forgotten world where pure relationships between people still exist alongside traditional habits and songs of the past. The impressive and interesting story talks about the human soul, happiness, desires and true values, and two different people who are brought together by the events of their times.

Awards: Nomination for the Academy Award for best foreign language film 2004; Nominations for the Czech Lion in eleven categories – best picture, directing, actress – A. Geislerová, actor, supporting actress – J. Adamová, screenplay, cinematography, film editing, sound, music, visual achievement; Golden Kinnaree Award for Best Actress (Anna Geislerová – e.a. Annette Bening for Being Julia) – Bangkong IFF 2004. 2004, col., 84 min. Director: Katarína Šulajová Script: Katarína Šulajová **Director of Photography:** Alexander Šurkala Music: Jan P. Muchow Editor: Barbora Paššová Cast: Zuzana Šulajová, Miki Křen, Anna Ferenczy, Marek Majeský, Ivan Romančík, Richard Stanke, Lucia Hurajová, Matej Landl Production Company: Trigon Production, Slovenská televízia, Česká televize Brno. Ateliéry Bonton Zlín Shot on: KODAK Sales: Trigon Production Sibírska 39, 831 02 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel./Fax: +421-2-4445 8477 trigon@trigon-production.sk www.odveslabikypozadu.sk



TWO SYLLABLES BEHIND O dve slabiky pozadu

Zuzana is an attractive and charming fine arts student. Like all the other young people, neither she knows what she wants and sometimes she is a bit out of focus – when she should be at school she is at work, when she is at school she dozes off. When she is enchanted by a handsome man – she packs up her luggage and leaves for Paris to be with him... However, the lovestory ends fairly quickly and again she finds herself swinging between her school and work – she has been starring in commercials and has worked in dubbing studios since she was a small child. She doesn't have problems with money, she has problems with relationships – seeks the right guy and doesn't realize that, in reality, she is on a quest to find her own self.

Awards: Viewer's Choice Award at 6th IFF Bratislava 2004; Award of the Minister of Culture of the Czech Republic – 45th International Festival of Films for Children and Youth, Zlín 2005; Ota Hofman Award – 37th Children film and TV festival of Ota Hofman 2005.

2005



THE UNBURIED MAN Nepochovaný mŕtvy

Director: Márta Mészáros Script: Márta Mészáros, Éva Pataki **Director of Photography:** Nyika Jancsó Music: Zygmunt Konieczny Editor: Éva Kármentő Cast: Jan Nowicki, Marianna Moór. Jan Frycz, György Cserhalmi, Lili Horváth, Ady Hajdu, János Kulka, Matej Landl, Petra Langrová, Vanda Tureková Production Company: CameoFilm, Ars Media, Telewizja Polska S.A. Agencia Filmowa, Akson Studio Shot on: KODAK Sales: CameoFilm Apostol u 13/b. H-1023 Budapest, Hungary Tel./Fax: +36-1-225 3562 temetetlen@cameofilm.hu

2004, col., 127 min.

A life story of Imre Nagy – a man who became symbol of a national resistance to oppression, prime minister who renounced The Warsaw Pact Treaty and at the times was brave enough to be proclaiming democratic system of multiple governing political parties. Many suppose that the part he played in the year of 1956 wasn't only a reflection of his faith in ideas which he had been proclaiming until his tragic death. It wasn't only a consequence of his life journey, of his communist beliefs or Moscow history. He came to cognition gradually, through a strange catharsis. The fate of martyr Imre Nagy finally chose for himself had its source in the deepest parts of his soul, in his honest attitude of a man who succeeded in identifying with the destiny of his people.

Awards: Best Actor (G. Cserhalmi) – 36th Hungarian Film Week, Budapest 2005; EFA Selection for European Film 2005 – European Film Academy Awards. 2005, col.,95 min. Director: Martin Šulík Script: Marek Leščák, Martin Šulík Director of Photography: Martin Štrba Music: Vlado Godár Editor: Jiří Brožek Cast: Oldřich Navrátil, Ivan Martinka, Luboš Kostelný, Igor Bareš, Anna Cónová, Petra Špalková, Anna Šišková, Csongor Kassai Production Company: První veřejnoprávní, Titanic, Česká televize -Televizní studio Ostrava, Cinemart Shot on: KODAK Sales: Ivana Košuličová Acquisition Manager Cinemart, a. s. Národní 28, P. O. Box 884, 111 21 Praha 1, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-221 105 242 Fax: +420-221 105 220 kosulicova@cinemart.cz www.slunecnistat.cz



THE CITY OF THE SUN Slnečný štát

The film is a story of four workers who, one day, find themselves out of work. Since they're too proud to register at the labour office they decide to deal with this unpleasant situation in their own way. Using their last money they buy a lorry and start a business of their own. Nothing is as easy as it may seem, not only in business but also with their loving, squabbling and sad wives and misbehaving children...

Awards: Golden Kingfisher Award for best Feature – 17th Festival of Czech Films, Finale Plzen 2005; EFA Selection for European Film 2005 – European Film Academy Awards; Czech Lions 2005 for best editing and best music; 11 nominations for the Slovak National Film award "The Sun in a Net".

www.atemetetlenhalott.hu





2005, col., 120 min. Director: Yvan Le Moine Story: Michel Tournier Script: Yvan Le Moine **Director of Photography:** Danny Elsen Music: George van Dam Editor: Matyas Veress Cast: Philippe Nahon, Alain Moraida, Ornella Muti, Hanna Schygulla, Pascaline Rosina, Jean-Yves Thual, Philippe Grand'Henry, Idwig Stéphane Production Company: AA Les Films Belges, Artisan Films France in co-production with CosmoKino, Classic, C&C Partners, Vera Production Shot on: KODAK Sales: AA Les Films Belges Rue Emile Claus, 63 1080 Bruxelles - Belgium Tel./Fax: +32-2-343 0665 aalesfilmsbelges@skynet.be

FRIDAY OR ANOTHER DAY Piatok alebo iný deň

The film tells a story of a famous French actor, a member of Comédie Francaise, who in 1877, together with an artistic ensemble leaves Marseilles to promote his repertoire in the New World. However, the ship sinks nearby an uninhabited island which have been ignored by all the maps so far. The only survivor is a man who undergoes changes while patiently and gradually mastering the island. The unhappy and hopeless man drowning in the dirt soon turns into a proud master who begins to govern the island as a sophisticated, tenatious and ruling colonizer. But one day he unexpectedly meets a young mestizo who violates the meaning of his existence and teaches him life in the wilderness. 2005, col., 76 min. Director: Jaro Vojtek Story: Andrej Bán Script: Marek Leščák, Jaro Voitek **Director of Photography:** Jaro Vojtek Editor: Maroš Šlapeta **Production Company:** Leon productions Sales: Leon, s.r.o. Hlaváčiková 17, 841 05 Bratislava 4 Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-6453 3992 Fax: +421-2-6446 2784 leon@leon-sk.sk www.leon-sk.sk www.myzdes.com



HERE WE ARE My zdes

After the Second World War, the Krnac family moved form Central Slovakia to Sub-Carpathian Ruthenia. After it became a part of USSR they were, according to Kruschcev decree, violently moved to a village named Balgarka in the steppes of Kazakhstan. They had spent over 40 years there. After the break-up of the Soviet Union they decided to come back to Europe. In the autumn of 2000 the family of Dimitrj Kiossyia leaves their home in the steppe and heads for the land of their ancestors – Slovakia.

However, a new beginning brings more disappointment than joy. Until then strong bonds within a family, they now begin to crumble. It is mainly the family elders who feel uprooted and more and more ponder the life they left behind in Kazakhstan.

Awards: Main Prize – One World 2006 – 8th International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival, Prague, Czech Republic; Nomination for the Slovak National Film award "The Sun in a Net" in the category of Best Documentary.







2005, col., 118 min. Director: Jan Švankmajer Story: Jan Švankmajer Script: Jan Švankmaier **Director of Photography:** Juraj Galvánek Editor: Marie Zemanová Cast: Pavel Liška, Jan Tříska, Anna Geislerová, Martin Huba, Jaroslav Dušek, Pavel Nový, Stano Dančiak, Jiří Krytinář Production Company: Athanor, Juraj Galvánek C-Ga Film, Česká televize. Barrandov Studio Shot on: KODAK Sales: ATHANOR - společnost pro filmovou tvorbu s.r.o. U 5. baterie 21, 162 00 Praha 6 Czech Republic Tel.: +420-233 322 905 Fax: +420-224 313 383 athanor@nextra.cz www.czech-tv.cz/specialy/sileni/

LUNACY Šílení

This philosophical horror story draw inspiration from two short stories by Edgar Allan Poe: The Premature Burial and The System of Dr. Tarr and Prof. Fether. Young Berlot is haunted by a recurrent dream in which hospital orderlies attempt to bind him in a straitjacket. The dream ends with his waking up in a demolished room. After his mother's funeral, at an inn Berlot meets a marquis and accepts his invitation to his palace. One night, he witnesses an orgy in the palace chapel. A young woman is being forced to participate and she captivates Berlot to such a degree that he decides to leave the palace at once. The marquis, however, falls into a cataleptic fit and seems to die. The nobleman's servant makes Berlot seal the coffin. The next day, they find the marquis feasting in the family vault. He too is guarding a secret and suggest a therapy for Berlot, which should put an end to his troublesome dream.

Awards: 9 nominations for the Slovak National Film award "The Sun in a Net".



TERMINAL STATION Konečná stanica

2005, col., 95 min. Director: Jiří Chlumský Script: Stanislav Štepka Director of Photography: Tomáš Juríček Music: Monkey Orchestra – Peter Mankovecký Editor: Peter Kordač Cast: Zdena Studenková, Josef Somr, Anna Šišková, Josef Abrhám, Stanislav Štepka, Csongor Kassai, Diana Mórová, Eva Kerekešová, Lubo Paulovič, Katarína Kolníková, Marián Geišberg, Milan Lasica Production Company:

JMB Film & TV Production, s.r.o., Slovenská televízia, Štúdio 727, RND **Sales:** JMB Film & TV Production, s.r.o. Koreničova 12, 811 03 Bratislava Tel.: +421-2-5464 1344 Fax: +421-2-5464 1346 jmb@jmbfilm.sk www.konecnastanica.sk Small, abandoned and derelict Terminal railway Station is years beyond its heydays. Once in a blue moon some train passes, makes no fuss... Inside of it there are travellers waiting for something that isn't still to come and wanting to go somewhere, but where? They don't know. Out of the blue something unexpected happens that disrupts the station's sleepy atmosphere. A dead body is found at the toilet. Each and every one of the travellers had a motive...

The film is full of people's destinies and stories brimming with humanity, poetic and often humorous situations, moods and daydreams... When the last train leaves the Terminal Station, no one gets on but the lives of the travellers go on nevertheless...

The film is an adaptation of the stage play Terminal Station by the Radosina Naive Theatre.



WRONG SIDE UP Príbehy obyčajného šialenstva

2005, col., 100 min. Director: Petr Zelenka Script: Petr Zelenka Director of Photography: Miro Gábor Music: Karel Holas Editor: David Charap Cast: Ivan Trojan, Zuzana Šulajová, Nina Divíšková, Miroslav Krobot, Karel Heřmánek, Jiří Bartoška, Jana Hubinská, Zuzana Bydžovská, Petra Lustigová, Marta Sládečková Production Company:

Negativ, Česká produkční 2000,

SisaArt, Pegasos Filmverleih und Production

Shot on: KODAK

Sales: AQS World Sales Riegrovy sady 38 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic Tel.: +420-222 250 236 Fax: +420-222 250 242 sales@aqs.cz www.silenstvi.cz Peter is a young man who is supposed to have his life under control. But everytime, not by his fault, he finds himself in the vortex of absurd situations which interfere with his love-life and his initially promising career of an air controller. Neither Peter's parents are normal. Mother is obsessed with charity. She bombards victims of wars and natural disasters all over the world with her packages of used clothing. Father, who once with his deep charismatic voice was recording commentaries to the socialist weekly journals, now with a touching bewilderment staggers through the new times of freedom... A random phone call and a bit of black magic together unstoppingly spin a carousel of comic situations full of absurdities of everyday, ordinary madness...

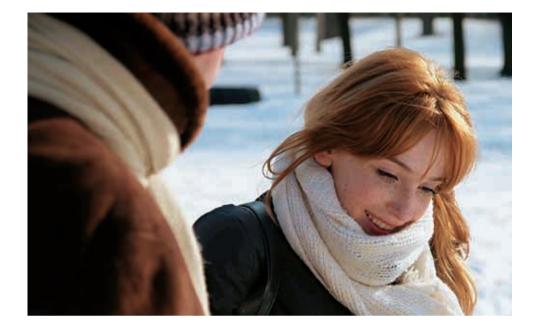
Awards: The prize of Russian film critics jury for the best film in Competition – IFF Moscow 2005; Don Quijote Prize – Festival of East European Cinema Cottbus; Czech Lions 2005 for best sound, best supporting actor (M. Krobot); 7 nominations for the Slovak National Film award "The Sun in a Net".



2006, col., 90 min. Director: Robert Young Script: Graham Alborough **Director of Photography:** Hannes Hubach Music: Veneration Music Editor: Jeremy Strachan Cast: Joanna Page, Iddo Goldberg, Tim Dutton. Veronica Ferres. Til Schweiger, Bela B. Felsenheimer Production Company: NFP teleart, No Snow Productions, Banana Films Chochana, Trigon Production Shot on: KODAK Sales: Trigon Production Hríbova 9, 821 05 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-4445 8477 Fax: +421-2-4445 5191 trigon@trigon-production.sk www.trigon-production.sk

BYE BYE HARRY Zbohom, Harry

Bye Bye Harry is a modern romantic slapstick comedy. Ian and Emma are charming and crazy and they struggle with their comic destiny, stumbling over obstacles standing in the way of true love, before they enter the hearts of their audience. They strive for success and maturity, but they get entangled in grotesque situations. Harry Hackett, a Charlie Chaplin-like comedian, is lan's nightmare – Ian seems to resemble him in things exceeding the rocking way of walking or big glasses. His ambitious, adventurous business schemes always lead to benefit others than himself.





KEEP SMILING

2006, col., 104 min. Director: Pavol Korec Story: Pavol Korec Script: Pavol Korec. Alžbeta Bohinská Director of Photography: Ivan Finta Editor: Peter Kordáč Cast: Ágnes Gubiková, Pavel Řezníček, Milan Mikulčík **Production Company:** Fáma Productions spol. s r.o., Štúdio 727 spol. s.r.o. Shot on: KODAK Sales: Fáma Productions Ltd. Sibírska 8. 831 02 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421 905 431 819, +421 905 468 888 fama@hascomp.com, postmaster@hascomp.com

The story takes place in the course of five hot days in August. Middle-aged Milan in brand-name clothes stands at the edge of the top of a highrise. Soňa, a journalist, runs up to the roof with a camera to film what is happening. Milan walks up to her, hesitates, and finally hugs her. Then he turns around, runs and jumps. Who was this man? Why did he jump? Why did he give her a hug? Soňa wonders and starts to investigate.

With the help of industrial cameras she finds his cell phone and his camera a discovers that there was no reason to jump. He was not in any serious relationship, he had success and money. But, he seemed to have lost any interest in life and pursued adrenalin sports. These are the outcomes of Soňa's investigation that transforms the detective herself. She realizes it is not so much important to find out why the man died but rather what he lived for.

DEMONS Démoni

2006, col., 95 min. Director: Róbert Šveda Script: Róbert Šveda Director of Photography: Peter Kelíšek, Martin Žiaran Music: Jana Kmiťová Editor: Marek Šulík, Martin Beneš, Róbert Karovič Cast: Eva Kerekes, Dagmar Duditšová, Beáta Dubielová, Attila Mokoš, Laco Hrušovský, Miroslav Kolbašský, Martin Meľo

Production Company:

D.N.A., VŠMU, Štúdio 727, Štúdio Menzural **Sales:** D.N.A., s.r.o. Jelenia 10, 811 05 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2:5262 6843 Fax: +421-2:5262 6843 dna@dnaproduction.sk www.dnaproduction.sk Three stories about three different women. Christmas is different for each of them this year. Soňa, a nurse, discovers the beauty of falling in love. In front of a blue screen of television, she gets carried away by fantasies. Dáša, a waitress, runs away on New Year's Eve to a national park, abandoned during winter. She wants to find an escape from the world in the arms of a stranger. But here she is found by other, less attractive, eyes, which see much more to her. She has to make a decision. The last one is the story of Klára. It is a story of a relationship that no longer works, a husband, who seeks things other than love, and fools, who want to be loved. It all takes place here, in the heart of Europe, where on Christmas Eve, Klára finds reconciliation with herself and her demon – the desire to love.







2006, col., cca. 105 min. Director: Juraj Nvota Story: based on a short story by Peter Pišťanek Script: Ondrej Šulaj Music: Róbert Mankovecký Editor: Alois Fišárek Cast: Táňa Pauhofová, Ľuboš Kostelný Jan Budař. Dorota Láberová. Marek Geišberg, Marián Geišberg, Jana Oľhová, Petra Polnišová, Csongor Kassai, Karol Spišák, Ady Hajdu, Lukáš Latiňák, Milan Ondrík, Janko Lehotský, Peter Pišťanek **Production Company:**

ALEF Film & Media Group, box ! Film, cine plus Sales: ALEF Film & Media Group Tekovská 7, 821 09 Bratislava 2 Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-2-5564 4791 Fax: +421-2-5556 1045 alef@webdesign.sk, www.afm.sk

MUSIC Muzika

Not far from a big city, just a few steps from the border of an evil capitalist country, in a village where all roads turn back to the numbing efforts of building socialism, begins a funny and bleak story about a man who hoped that his music would help him escape but did not succeed. He still needs to find out who he really is, search for the right woman and the right place to live. He finds it difficult to look into a mirror, because he never seems to like the reflection. This is also a story about his friends, desires, and dreams of freedom, which was one of the most precious, best guarded, and least accessible values in the Czechoslovakia at the end of the 1980s.

Director: Marko Škop Script: Marko Škop Director of Photography: Ján Meliš Editor: František Krähenbiel Cast: Ján Lazorík, Fedor Vico. Katarína Hrehorčáková. Ignác Červeňák, Stano Čorej, Tóno Triščík Production Company: Artileria, Studio Mirage Sales: Artileria Drobného 23, 841 01 Bratislava Slovak Republic Tel.: +421-903 789 198. +421-905 261 949 artileria@artileria.sk, skop@artileria.sk, melis@artileria.sk www.artileria.sk

2006, col., 78 min., documentary



OTHER WORLDS Iné svetv

Šariš in eastern Slovakia is a very specific border region between Eastern and Western Europe. It is situated between rational individualism of the West and expressive emotionality of the East. The territory at the foothills of the Eastern Carpathian Mountains has its historical roots in a diverse combination of minorities and religious creeds, which made it grow into a "little Babylon". Europe is transforming and so do the lives of its people. This documentary follows the progress of globalization and its effects on individual lives of the people of Šariš. The film introduces six different characters representing their respective communities. They include Šarišans, Ruthenians, Jews, Gypsies, as well as young people of different identities. The film explores the last days of traditional diversity in local communities, and seeks the beauty of the original, authentic, and interesting individual. People from the Saris region are often called the "crazy Easterners". OTHER WORLDS visits six of them at one of the ends of the world, at an end of the globalized world. They are products "made in Šariš".

SELECTED SHORTS (LIVE ACTION) 1993–2006



From the Street / Z ulice

2003, betacam, b&w, 8 min. D, Sc: Stano Petrov, DoP: Martin Žiaran, Ed: Braňo Guniš, Cast: Martin Kočiško, Šimon, Oki, Ivanka, Zuzka a Milko PC and Sales: VŠMU

Dead man is lying on the street and the story is about to begin... **Awards:** Grand Prix – Golden Dinosaurus – 10. IFF Etuda, Krakow 2003; Golden OFF – 2^{nd} IFF of Independent Films OFFensiva Wroclaw 2004; 1^{st} place in section of Student Films – 2^{nd} IFF Bali 2004; Bronze Bear Award – 33^{rd} Festival Der Nation, International Short Film Festival, Ebensee, Austria 2005.



The Natural Death / Prirodzená smrť

2004, 35 mm, col., 29 min.

D: Michal Krajňák, Sc: Viktor Csudai, Michal Krajňák, Ed: Viktor Csudai, DoP: Peter Bencsík, Cast: Peter Šimún, Anna Šišková, Ľudovít Moravčík, Vlado Černý, Karol Čálik, Marián Geišberg, Marián Zednikovič, Ján Šebík PC and Sales: Kollar Film Studio

A black comedy about a businessman who tries to murder his wife, about villagers dreaming of riches and about a monster which wants to spoil everything.

Awards: Special Prize of the Jury – 3rd International Student Festival of Film Art, Balchik 2005.



A Night in a Hotel / Noc v hoteli

2004, 35 mm, b&w., 8 min

D, Sc: Matúš Libovič, DoP: Juraj Chlpík, Ed: Ondrej Azor,
 Cast: Jarosla Vitos, Tibor Petrovský, Roland Sirotek
 PC and Sales: VŠMU, Protos

The story of a man who spends a night in an unknown hotel with a strange bedfellow.

Awards: Students of Angers award for European Student Film – 17th "Premiers Plans" European First Films Festival in Angers 2005; B&W Video Fiction Prize – 2° Festival Audiovisual Black&White, Porto 2005; Silver OFF for fiction – 3rd IFF OFFensiva Wroclaw 2005; Honorable Mention of Jury – 10th International Milano Film Festival 2005.







SELECTED DOCUMENTARIES 1993-2006

118 Days in Captivity of Ice / 118 dní v zajatí ľadu

1998, video, col., 56 min. D, Sc, Ed: Pavol Barabáš, DoP: Ivan Kuželivský PC and Sales: K2 Studio

A film about an expedition of four Slovak and Russian polar explorers to the North Pole.

Awards: Grand Prix – IF of Mountain Films Vancouver; Grand Prix – IF of Mountain Films Trent, Best adventure film – IF of Mountain Films Graz and 11 more international awards.

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2003, betacam, b&w+col., 8 min. D, Sc, DoP: Milan Balog, Ed: Marek Kráľovský PC and Sales: VŠMU, Standart

A funny experimental portrait using photocopies, archive materials, feature sequences and photographs. **Awards:** ARTE Prize for a European Short Film – 50th ISFF Oberhausen 2004.

About Three Days in the Jasov Monastery / O troch dňoch v Jasovskom kláštore

1995/96, 16 mm, col., 26 min. D, Sc: Peter Kerekes, DoP: Martin Kollár, Ed: Branislav Ramacsay PC and Sales: VŠMU

A documentary about three days spent in the monastery in Jasov. One part houses mentally handicapped patients and the other is a residence of the Order of the Premonstrates. **Awards:** Award of the Audience Jury – 9th Ethnofilm Čadca; Award for best documentary – 26th Internationale Studentenfilmtage Potsdam – Babelsberg; Award for best documentary – International Festival Mediawave, Győr; Second Prize – 2nd Internationales Kurzfilmfestival "Wie wir leben", Munich.

SLOVAK FILMS 1993 2006

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Achievements Deserve Certificates / Budeme mať výkony, budeme mať diplomy

1997, 16 mm, col., 15 min. **D:** Juraj Lehotský **PC and Sales:** VŠMU

A portrait of a sportsman and sports organizer Ján Kimián, who decided to run 100 km, combines respect and irony in a fine grotesque.



Amazonia Vertical / Amazonia vertical

2004, betacam, col., 63 min. D, Sc, DoP: Pavol Barabáš, Ed: Matej Beneš PC and Sales: K2 Studio

A film about power of nature and adventurous discovering of the lost world, which takes you to Auyan Tepui – the greatest Amazonian table mountain.

Awards: The Best Expedition Film of Unexplored Territories and Viewer's Choice Award at 12th International Mountain Films Festival Poprad 2004; The Main prize in the category "Mountain Nature" – 5th Moscow International Festival of Mountaineering and Adventure Films VERTICAL 2005; Best Adventure Feature – Flagstaff Mountain Film Festival ,Flagstaff, USA, 2006 and 12 more international awards.



Balog József – Príbeník 66

1995/96, 16 mm, col., 16 min. D, Sc: Peter Kerekes, DoP: Martin Kollár, Ed: Marek Šulík PC and Sales: VŠMU

A documentary about the ancient dream of men to fly. **Awards:** Award for best documentary – 2nd International Review of Student Films Áčko, Bratislava; Grand Prix – IF Mediawave, Győr; Award of the Hungarian Independent Film and Video Association.



1998/99, video, col., 26 min. D, Sc: Natália Vídenská, DoP: Peter Kubela, Ed: Darina Smržová PC and Sales: VŠMU, Slovenská televízia

A documentary of the work, social conditions and the thinking of girls working as au-pairs in England. **Awards:** Zlatý Turoň Main Prize – 11th Ethnofilm Čadca 2000; Igric Slovak Film Prize 2000.

Flood in Front of Us / Pred nami potopa

1993/94, 35 mm, col., 30 min. D, Sc: Ivan Kočner, DoP: Ján Meliš, Martin Kollár, Ed: Katarína Lihositová, PC: ALEF štúdio, VŠMU Sales: ALEF Film & Media Group, VŠMU

A documentary about the construction of a water-dam, which took almost 40 years.





Hey, You Slovaks / Hej, Slováci

2002, video, col., 49 min.

D, Sc: Robert Kirchhoff, DoP: Martin Kollár, Ed: Roman Varga PC: 3S Video, Institute for Public Affairs (IVO), Sales: 3S VIDEO

A documentary about poverty, a shock from capitalism and the journey of Slovakia to Europe.

Awards: Award of the Slovak Television – 12th Ethnofilm Čadca; Igric Slovak Film Prize 2003.

Just a Bit of Propaganda / Taká malá propaganda

2001, video, col., 27 min. D, Sc: Marek Kuboš, DoP: Norbert Hudec, Ed: František Krähenbiel PC: MARKJURKUBLEH, Sales: Marek Kuboš

A personal testimony of a man, who worked in the public Slovak Television before the parliamentary elections in 1998, about his fascination with manipulation.

Awards: Award of the Slovak Literary Fund for best documentary, Award for best film editing and Award of Film Journalists – 8th International Review of Student Films Áčko, Bratislava 2002.



Karel Kryl - Who Am I...? / Karel Kryl - Kto som...?

1993. video. col., 85 min. D: Dušan Rapoš, Sc: D. Rapoš, Erika Vincoureková, DoP: Jiří Foitík. Ed: Dušan Milko PC: Welcome Film & TV. Sales: Sui Generis

A musical and poetical film, in which Karel Kryl, the famous Czech singer, poet, and philosopher, asks questions of life and human existence through his songs, poetry and dialogues.



Kral'ovany – 2nd Class Railway Station / Žel. st. 2. tr. Kraľovany

1997/98, video, 18 min. D. Sc: Marek Kuboš. DoP: Ľubo Polák. Oliver Pizúr. Ed: Roman Varga, Ľ. Polák, José Alfaro PC and Sales: LUX Media

Prohibitions, regulations, orders, restrictions, letters, paradigms, road, love, statistics and people at the Kralovany railway station in 279 shots.

Awards: Strieborný Turoň Main Prize - 10th IFF Ethnofilm Čadca 1998: Best Documentary – 5th International Review of Student Films Áčko Bratislava 1999.

LooP

2004, col., 26 min.

D, Sc, DoP: Milan Balog, Ed: Marek Kráľovský PC: Freeart Records Ostrava, VŠMU, Sales: Freeart Records

Film made as a part of the project "Europe Around Us? We in Europe!", which connected four directors of the Visegrad Four countries and allowed them to express their attitude to homeland. LooP is dedicated to Slovakia.

Awards: Grand Prix - 8th Kyoto International Student Film and Video Festival 2005; Special Jury Award - 18th "Premiers Plans" European First Films Festival in Angers 2006; Special Mention for Documentary - 2nd Fresh Film Fest, Karlovy Vary 2005



PC: Brachtl audiovizuálna tvorba. Sales: Ivo Brachtl

Letters to the President / Listy prezidentovi

Portraits of people who turn with their everyday problems to the president.

D, Sc: Lenka Moravčíková, DoP: Ján Meliš, Ed: Ivo Brachtl

Morvtats and Legends of Ladomírová / Ladomírske morytáty a legendy

1998/99, 16 mm, col., 54 min.

1998/99, video, col., 34 min,

D, Sc: Peter Kerekes, DoP: Martin Kollár, Ed: Mária Kadlecová PC: Ars Media, VŠMU, ČT, Slovenská televízia, Sales: Ars Media

A documentary of the personal memories of the inhabitants of the Russini village of Ladomírová.

Awards: Award of Slovak Film Critics 1998 in the category of Documentaries: Silver Dove in the category of Documentary Film and Video over 45 min. (ex aeguo), Award of the Ecumenical Jury and IG Medien Award - 42nd International Festival of Documentary and Animated Films Leipzig; Silver Key - 7th IFF Art Film Trenčianske Teplice; Grand Prix -34th Academia Film Olomouc; Award for best documentary -International Festival Mediawave, Győr; Igric Slovak Film Prize: Grand Prix U.R.T.I. - IF Monte Carlo: UNESCO Award -A l'affiche du Monde, Paris.



2001, video, col., 28 min. D. Sc., DoP. Ed: Pavol Barabáš PC and Sales: K2 Studio

A film about Mustang, a kingdom whose existence has long been kept secret, on the territory of Nepal, in the fabled land of Lo hidden behind the high walls of the Himalayas. Awards: Grand Prix – 3rd IF of Mountain Films Sliven 2003; Main Prize - 26th IF of Mountain and Adventure Films Banff 2001: Special Mention - 5th IF of Mountain Films Vancouver 2002 and 17 more international awards.

Mustang





Mysterious Mamberamo / Tajomné Mamberamo

2000, video, col., 65 min. D, Sc, Ed: Pavol Barabáš, DoP: Ladislav Gulik, P. Barabáš PC and Sales: K2 Studio

Owing to its inaccessibility, both physically and politically, Irian Jaya is the only remaining place where civilized man can experience a primitive world.

Awards: Grand Prix at the festivals Kendal Mountain Film Festival, England 2001; Mountain and Adventure Film Festival Moscow 2001; Ecofilm Český Krumlov 2001; Festival of Mountain Films Banff Canada 2000; Ekotopfilm Bratislava 2000 and 13 more international awards.



Of Dogs and Men / O psoch a ľuďoch

1993, video, col., 43 min. D, Sc: Michal Suchý, DoP: Mário Homolka, Ed: Katarína Palatinusová PC and Sales: Slovenská televízia

A picture of present-day Americans reflected in the way they treat their four-legged friends. **Awards:** Telemúza Award 1993 and Special Award of the Slovak Literary Fund and ÚSTT for television production in 1993.



OMO – The Journey to the Primaeval Age / OMO – Cesta do praveku

2002, video, col., 68 min. D, Sc, Dop, Ed: Pavol Barabáš PC and Sales: K2 Studio

Six men set out on a dangerous raft through the Omo canyon. **Awards:** Grand Prix and Audience Award – 10^{th} IF of Mountain Films Poprad 2002; Special Mention of the Jury – IF of Mountain Films Vancouver 2003; Honorary Mention – 15^{th} IF of Mountain and Adventure Films Graz 2003 and 5 more international awards.





Parkan by the Danube / Parkan na brehu Dunaja

2002, video, col., 101 min. Sc, D, DoP, Ed: Tomáš Hučko PC: VISUAL MEDIA Tomáš Hučko, Sales: Tomáš Hučko

An epic metaphor of the coexistence of Slovaks and Hungarians against the background of the reconstruction of the Maria Valeria Bridge over the Danube in the Slovak town of Štúrovo. **Awards:** Award of the Slovak Literary Fund – 12^{th} IFF Ethnofilm Čadca 2002.

Protection of the Office / Ochrana úradu

1998/99, video, col., 20 min.

D, Sc: Marko Škop, DoP: Ján Meliš, Ed: František Krähenbiel PC: Brachtl audiovizuálna tvorba, Sales: Ivo Brachtl

A documentary about the work of units responsible for the security of politicians.

Awards: Award of the Slovak Literary Fund for best documentary, Award of the Slovak Literary Fund for best film editing, Award of the Journalist Jury – 6th International Review of Student Films Áčko.

Pururambo

2005, col., 54 min. D, Sc, DoP: Pavol Barabáš, Ed: Matej Beneš PC and Sales: K2 Studio

New Guinea – the largest tropical island in the world is country of mysteries, myths and undiscovered secrets hidden behind green walls of impenetrable deep forest. In a labyrinth of dark swamps, people live high in the trees, in primitive conditions that have changed little since the Stone Age. **Awards:** Public Prize – IMFF, Poprad, Slovakia, 2005; Best film – GO KAMERA, Brno, Czech Republic, 2006; 2nd Prize – Camera Slovakia, Bratislava 2006





Roma House / Rómsky dom

2001, 16 mm, col., 33 min.

D, Sc: Marko Škop, **DoP:** Ján Meliš, **Ed:** František Krähenbiel **PC:** VŠMU, Slovenská televízia in ass. with Školfilm, **Sales:** VŠMU, Slovenská televízia

A film on the everyday social life of the Slovak Roma. **Awards:** Main Prize of the festival – Kodak Vision Award for best film – 7th International Review of Student Films Áčko Bratislava 2001; Strieborný Turoň Special Award – 12th IFF Ethnofilm Čadca 2002.



Stanko Mužík

1993, 35 mm, col., 29 min.

D, Sc: Ján Oparty, DoP: Pavol Marko, Ed: Eva Gubčová PC: ALEF štúdio, SFT Bratislava-Koliba, Slovenská televízia, Sales: ALEF štúdio

A documentary about a boy raised up by a 70-year-old woman, made during ten years, presents a testimony of deep human affections.

Awards: Special Award of the Jury – 8th Ethnofilm Čadca 1994; Special Award of the Slovak Literary Fund for 1993.



The Tatras a Mystery / Tatry mystérium

2003, betacam, col., 11 min. D,Sc, DoP, Ed: Pavol Barabáš PC and Sales: K2 Studio

Film essay about High Tatras.

Awards: Prize of the President of Slovak Republic – Ekotopfilm 2003; Best Slovak film and Audience Award – IFF Mountains and the City, Bratislava 2004; 1st prize – Tourfilm, Karlovy Vary 2004.



That Track / To ta trať

2002, video, col., 40 min.
D: Pavol Korec, Sc: René Lužica, DoP: Ján Meliš,
Ed: Pavol Kordáč, PC and Sales: Slovenská televízia,
European Cultural Society Civic Association

A story of the Roma people who built the railway section between Prešov and Strážske in work camps during the war-time Slovak State.





Too Little Time and the Water Level is Rising / Času je málo a voda stúpa

1997, video, col., 94 min.

D: Dežo Ursiny, Ivo Brachtl, Sc: D. Ursiny, DoP, Ed: I. Brachtl PC: Brachtl audiovizuálna tvorba, Sales: Ivo Brachtl

A documentary of interviews made by Slovak filmmaker and musician Dežo Ursiny with various personalities about dignity, capital punishment, conscience, euthanasia, freedom, abortion, suffering, suicide, death and love.

Awards: Award of Slovak film critics for a video documentary made in 1997; Igric Slovak Film Prize 1998; Award of the Josef, Maria and Zdeňka Hlávkový Foundation – 33rd Academia Film Olomouc 1998.

Twins / Dvojičky

1998/99, col., 22 min. D, Sc: Juraj Lehotský, DoP: Norbert Hudec, Ed: Mária Kadlecová, PC: Slovenská televízia, VŠMU, Sales: Slovenská televízia

A portrait of sisters Mária and Zuzana Kudličková. **Awards:** Award of the Slovak Literary Fund – Grand Prix and Kodak Vision Award – 6th International Review of Student Films Áčko Bratislava 2000.

Vote '98 / Hlas '98

1998/99, video, col., 15 min. D, Sc, Ed: Marek Kuboš, PoD: Martin Kollár PC: MARKJURKUBLEH in cooperation with VŠMU, Sales: Marek Kuboš

A view into the conscience of Slovak citizens before the parliamentary elections of 1998.

Wipe Out / Výmet

2003, betacam, col., 23 min. D, Sc, DoP: Zuzana Piussi, Ed: Jana Vlčková PC and Sales: VŠMU

Documentary film about a SWAT team (special police unit). **Awards:** Best International Documentary – Beirut Documentary Film Festival DocuDays 2003.



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About Two People / O dvoch ľuďoch

1996, 16 mm, col., 8 min. D: Vanda Raýmanová, Sc: Vanda Raýmanová, Juraj Raýman, DoP: Peter Hudák, Ed: Marek Šulík PC and Sales: VŠMU

A film about two people brought close to each other by stereotype – they find happiness and a new kind of stereotype. **Awards:** Award of the Festival Director – 4^{th} IFF Art Film Trenčianske Teplice 1996.



Bottoms Up / Do dna

2001, 35 mm, col., 4 min. D, Sc, Anim: Jana Slovenská, DoP: Otto Geyer, Ed: Róbert Karovič PC and Sales: VŠMU

A relationship between a man and a woman in an unusual perspective.



Cheers! / Nazdravíčko!

2005, 35 mm, col., 20 min. **D:** Ivana Zajacová, Jozef Mitaľ, **Sc:** I. Zajacová, **Anim:** J. Mitaľ, I. Zajacová, Š. Gura, R. Zálešák, **Ed:** Marek Kráľovský **PC:** VŠMU, Štúdio Koliba, Koliba Production & Services, Peter Veverka, Michal Struss, David Rosenbaum

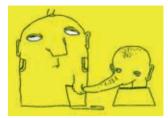
A short fairy tale for adults about troubles of soul and pure alcohol narrated by Stano Dančiak.



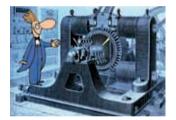
The Crocodile Doesn't Give a Damn / Krokodíl sa neserie

1996/97, 35 mm, 55 sec. D, Sc: Matej Kladek, DoP: Otto Geyer, Ed: Eva Gubčová PC and Sales: VŠMU, PRUNUS film

This film is meant to show that some films should be shorter. **Awards:** Award of the Jury – 5th IFF Art Film Trenčianske Teplice 1997.







If Not, Not! / Keď nie, tak nie!

1997, 35 mm, 3 min. D, Sc, Anim: Vladimír Král, DoP: Peter Hudák, PC and Sales: VŠMU, PRUNUS film

An animated absurd anecdote about the training of elephants. **Awards:** Special Prize of SFZ, ÚSTT and the Slovak Literary Fund for 1997.

In the Box / V kocke

1998/99, 35 mm, 6 min. **D, Sc:** Michal Struss, **DoP:** Martin Kollár, Peter Bencsík, Tomáš Juríek, **Ed:** Vladislav Struhár, **PC and Sales:** VŠMU, Peter Veverka

About space that offers no escape.

Awards: Best animated film – 5^{th} International Review of Student Films Áčko Bratislava 1999; Award of the Jury – 7^{th} IFF Art Film Trenčianske Teplice 1999; Nomination for the Student Academy Award, and 10 more international awards.

Have a Screw Loose! – The Light Bulb / Mať tak o koliesko viac! – Žiarovka

2003, betacam, col., 7 min. **D, Anim:** Dávid Popovič, Ivan Popovič, **Sc:** Ivan Popovič, **DoP:** Dávid Popovič **PC and Sales:** Ivan Popovič – MY Studio, Slovenská televízia Bratislava

Episode from an entertaining animation series surveying profound inventions of the 20th century. **Awards:** 2nd prize for Non-fiction Film – IFF Prix Jeunesse

Munich 2004.

Leaves of Grass / Steblá trávy

2003, 35 mm, col., 10 min. **D, Anim:** Jana Slovenská, **Sc:** J. Slovenská, Diana Kacárová, **DoP:** Otto Geyer, **Ed:** Robo Karovič, Eva Gubcová **PC and Sales:** VŠMU

Short film based on Walt Whitman's Leaves of Grass. **Awards:** Igric (Slovak film prize) for Best Animated Film.





Lionardo Mio

2005, col., 7 min. D, Sc, Anim: Ivana Šebestová, DoP: Peter Hudák, Ed: Robo Karovič PC and Sales: VŠMU

The truth about the origin of Leonardo da Vinci's famous La Gioconda.

Awards: Dams Award for best film – 8th European Festival of Film Schools, Bologna 2005



The Origin of the World / Pôvod sveta

2002, 35 mm, col., 22 min.
D: Katarína Kerekesová, Sc: K. Kerekesová, Peter Kerekes,
Anim: K. Kerekesová, Vlado Král, Martin Snopek,
Ed: Marek Královský
PC: Peter Kerekes, VŠMU, Slovenská televízia,
Sales: Peter Kerekes

A film inspired by the ancient myth of the Brazilian Indians about the origin of the world.

Awards: Golden Board – Award of the Jury for Animation – 7th IF Ismailia 2003; Award of Slovak Film Critics; Igric Slovak Film Prize.



Steps, Jumps, Years... And the Last One Turns the Lights Off! / Kroky, skoky, roky... a posledný zhasne!

1994/1995, 35 mm, col., 5 min. **D, Anim:** Karol Holubčík, Maroš Končok, Vladimír Král, Martina Matlovičová, Michal Struss, Matej Kladek, Vanda Raýmanová, Martin Snopek, Katarína Urbanová **PC and Sales:** VŠMU

A visual contribution of the students of the Department of Animation to the centenary of world cinematography. **Awards:** LITA Award for best Slovak film – 4th IFF Art Film Trenčianske Teplice 1996.





Today Is My First Rendez-Vous / Dnes mám prvé randevú

2002, 35 mm, col., 10 min. D, Sc: Boris Šima, DoP: Braňo Pažitka, Peter Hudák, Ed: Eva Gubaová PC and Sales: VŠMU, Štúdio Koliba

A film about how difficult it can be to get to one's first date. **Awards:** 3rd place in Section of Student Films – 2nd IFF Bali 2004; Bronze Medal – 66. UNICA 2004; Silver Teddy Bear – Festival of the Nations Ebensee 2004.

Undressed Lovers / Milenci bez šiat

1996/97, 16 mm, b&w, 10 min.

D: Katarína Urbanová, Sc: Katarína Urbanová, Peter Kerekes, DoP: Peter Hudák, Martin Kollár, Ed: Branislav Ramacsay PC and Sales: VŠMU

This short animated film deals with communication issues between two worlds – a man and a woman. **Awards:** Special Prize e. a. – 5th IFF Art Film Trenčianske Teplice 1997.

List of Abbreviations

- D Director
- Sc Script
- **DoP** Director of Photography
- Ed Editor
- PC Production Company

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