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WINTER LINE UP 2024



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- **Art or F-art?** a **comedy** by Stefan Liberski, starring **Benoit Poelvoorde** and **Camille Cottin**

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- **The Sitting Duck** by the director of *Mama Weed* Jean-Paul Salomé, starring **Isabelle Huppert**

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ANIMAL TALES OF CHRISTMAS MAGIC

A film by **Caroline Attia, Ceylan Beyoglu, Olesya Shchukina, Haruna Kishi, Camille Almeras & Natalia Chernysheva**

2024 · **Post-production** · France / Germany · French · **Animation** · 65 min
Production: LES VALSEURS, LUFTKIND FILMVERLEIH & LE BUREAU

5 adventures starring cute and funny animals, set at Christmas, directed by 6 promising female directors from all over the world.

Enchanting stories unfold in “Animal Tales of Christmas Magic”, where festive wonders come to life. Delve into these heartwarming and modern tales as animals embark on spellbinding journeys from France to Japan to the Far North and its northern lights, spreading joy and generosity. Each story is a whimsical adventure filled with charm, laughter and the beauty of the winter season. Let the poetry captivate your heart and transport you to a world where Christmas magic knows no bounds.

French distribution: **KMBO** / release November 2024

German distribution: **LUFTKIND FILMVERLEIH** / release November 2024

Available worldwide excluding France and Germany.

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ART OR F-ART?

A film by **Stefan Liberski**

(Tokyo Fiancée, Baby Balloon, Bunker Paradise)

2024 • Post-production • Belgium, France • French • Comedy

Production: ARTEMIS PRODUCTIONS & LE BUREAU

Cast: **Benoit Poelvoorde** (L'Amour Ouf, The Colors of Fire, Adieu Paris, Sink or Swim, Venice Calling, Coco Before Chanel, Saint Amour, Man Bites Dog), **Camille Cottin** (Golda, House of Gucci, Stillwater, The Mystery of Henry Pick, Someone, Somewhere / TV shows: Call My Agent, Killing Eve), **François Damiens** (Heartbreaker, La Famille Bélier, Cowboys, The Lulus, The Lost Prince) and **Gustave Kervern** (The Murder Party, Mammuth, Not Dead, Saint Amour, Delete History).

A Belgian comedy speaking about F Art taking place in French Normandy with a colorful atmosphere.

Jean-Yves Machond (Benoit Poelvoorde), a conceptual painter whose career came to an abrupt halt following a series of setbacks, decides to leave Brussels and his job as a teacher to settle in Étretat (in French Normandy), the ultimate embodiment of Impressionism. Here he is seeking inspiration to create his major work that, once presented to the world, will finally earn him eternal glory and recognition. The problem is, he has no idea what he wants to paint.

There, between Bagnoule, a figurative painter and bon vivant, a naive, warm-hearted individual who will draw him out of his lethargy with his bonhomie, and the 'charming' Cécile de Mauprès (Camille Cottin), gallery owner and manipulator who will disrupt his concentration, his meeting with the locals will prove decisive for the fulfilment of his plan. Reality can be a bitch.

French distribution : KMBO / release Q4 2024 - Q1 2025

Available worldwide excluding Benelux, France, Italy and Switzerland.

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THE SITTING DUCK

A film by Jean-Paul Salomé

(Mama Weed, Playing Dead, The Cameleon, Female Agents)

2022 · France, Germany · French · **Thriller** · 122 min

Production: LE BUREAU & HEIMATFILM

Cast: **Isabelle Huppert** (Academy Awards Nominee for Elle, Mama Weed, 8 Women, The Piano Teacher), **Yvan Attal** (My Dog Stupid, Rock n'Roll, R.A.I.D. Special Unit, Bon Voyage), **Marina Foïs** (As Bestas, Polisse, Sink or Swim, The Divide), **Alexandra Maria Lara** (Downfall, Rush, Suite Française).

A gripping thriller about a true story based on a state scandal.

“The Sitting Duck” is the true story of Maureen Kearney (Isabelle Huppert), the head union representative of a French multinational nuclear powerhouse. She became a whistleblower, denouncing top-secret deals that shook the French nuclear sector. Alone against the world, she fought government ministers and industry leaders, tooth and nail to bring the scandal to light and to defend more than 50,000 jobs... Her life was turned upside down when she was violently assaulted in her own home... The investigation is carried out under pressure: the subject is sensitive. Suddenly, new elements create doubt in the minds of the investigators. At first a victim, Maureen becomes a suspect.

OVER 500k ADMISSIONS IN FRANCE

French distribution : LE PACTE / release on March 1st, 2023

Still available in Baltics States, CIS, China, Czech Republic, Hong Kong, India, Middle East, Scandinavia, Slovakia, South East Asia, South Korea, Turkey.

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Newly restored films :

The Doom Generation (Sundance 2023) & Nowhere (Academy Museum 2023) by **Gregg Araki**
and Eat Your Soup by **Mathieu Amalric** (IFFR Rotterdam 2023)

Arnaud Desplechin's Early Films
Dobermann by **Jan Kounen**

And also **Claire Denis, Raoul Ruiz, Xavier Beauvois** and many more...

REZO FILMS



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I Killed My Mother by **Xavier Dolan**
Heartbeats by **Xavier Dolan**
Tip Top by **Serge Bozon**

And also **Volker Schlöndorff, Alexandre Sokourov** and many more...

CELLULOID DREAMS



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Hirokazu Kore-Eda Collection

Beat that my Heart Skipped & A Prophet by **Jacques Audiard**
Vincere by **Marco Bellocchio**

And also **Jafar Panahi, François Ozon, Jia Zhang-ke** and many more..