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# EFM LINE UP 2024





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## BERLINALE 2024 - OFFICIAL SELECTION

- **A Family**, a **documentary** by Award-winning writer Christine Angot - **Encounters competitive section**.

### PRESS SCREENING

(no access guaranteed for buyers)

Saturday Feb., 17th - 9:30am - CINEMAXX 7

### PREMIERE

Sunday Feb., 18th - 12:30pm - AKADEMIE DER KÜNSTE

### OTHER SCREENINGS

Monday Feb., 19th. - 4:00pm - ZOO PALAST 2

Tuesday Feb., 20th - 1:00pm - CUBIX 7 / 8

Thursday Feb., 22nd - 12:45pm - CUBIX 8

## POST-PRODUCTION

- **Art or F-art?** a **comedy** by Stefan Liberski, starring **Benoît Poelvoorde** and **Camille Cottin**
- **Animal Tales of Christmas Magic**, an **animation** by six promising female directors
- **Popemobile**, a **comedy** by Sylvain Estibal, starring **Kad Merad**

## IN SHOOTING

- **Jane Austen Wrecked My Life**, a **romantic comedy** by Laura Piani



IN SELECTION

# A FAMILY

A film by **Christine Angot**

*whose books have been adapted by Claire Denis (Both Sides of the Blade) and Catherine Corsini (An Impossible Love).*

2024 · France · French · **Documentary** · 82 min

Production: LE BUREAU & RECTANGLE PRODUCTIONS

**DOP : Caroline Champetier** (Berlinale Camera Award in 2023, The Innocents, Holy Motors, Lumiere Award for Best Cinematography for Annette, Cesar Award for Best Cinematography for Of Gods and Men)

**A mind-blowing documentary about the law of silence that keeps family secrets hidden.**

On the occasion of a trip for the release of her latest novel, Award-winning French writer Christine Angot, returns to the city where, at 13, she met her father for the first time after he left her mother. She then visited him during school holidays and, as she will recount in numerous autobiographical books since, she will be a victim of incest...

Her father died several years ago, but his wife and children still live in this city. Angot returns with a camera and is determined to track down and understand the family's denial surrounding too long of a silence.

A cinematographic story challenging social norms that contribute to the omerta around incest.

Available worldwide excluding France, Switzerland and Spain





PROMO

# 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:** **Benoît Poelvoorde** (Beating Hearts, The Colors of Fire, Sink or Swim), **Camille Cottin** (Golda, House of Gucci, Stillwater / TV shows: Call My Agent, Killing Eve), **François Damiens** (Heartbreaker, La Famille Bélier, The Lulus) and **Gustave Kervern** (The Murder Party, Mammuth, Saint Amour).

**A Belgian comedy speaking about  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

Belgian distribution: O'BROTHER / release Q4 2024 - Q1 2025

Available worldwide excluding Benelux, France, Italy and Switzerland



PROMO

# 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

Production: LES VALSEURS, LUFTKIND FILMVERLEIH & LE BUREAU

5 adventures starring cute and funny animals, set in 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 Christmas 2024

German distribution: LUFTKIND FILMVERLEIH / release Christmas 2024

Available worldwide excluding France, Germany and Switzerland





PROMO

# POPEMOBILE

A film by **Sylvain Estibal**

*(When Pigs Have Wings, Cesar Award for Best Debut)*

2024 • **Post-production** • France, Belgium • French & Spanish • **Comedy**

Production: TESSALIT, FURYO FILMS & NOVAK PROD

**Cast:** **Kad Merad** (The Big Hit, Welcome to the Sticks, César award for Best Supporting Actor in Don't Worry I'm Fine / TV Show : Baron Noir), **Myriam Tekaïa** (When Pigs Have Wings, Azur & Asmar).

**A madcap comedy about a monumental trick, starring Kad Merad as the Pope, unfortunately inspired by several unknown true events.**

To mark his recent appointment, the new Pope prepares for a tour of Latin America, only to find that the Vatican is bankrupt. A rich Mexican woman offers to help out. In return for financing his trip, she demands he attends an event in his honour in the city of Ciudad Juarez – Mexico's capital of crime. The "guardian angel" turns out to be a drug trafficker, and when she discovers that a lookalike Pope has been sent in his place, confusion, laughter and unexpected chaos ensue.

French distribution: THE JOKERS / release Summer 2024

Available worldwide excluding France





SCRIPT

# JANE AUSTEN WRECKED MY LIFE

A film by **Laura Piani**

2024 · In shooting · France · French & English · Romantic Comedy

Production: LES FILMS DU VEYRIER & SCIAPODE

**Cast:** **Camille Rutherford** (The Three Musketeers - Part II, Anatomy of a Fall, The Book of Solutions, Felicita), **Pablo Pauly** (Say Cheese, The Murder Party, The French Dispatch, White As Snow), **Charlie Anson** (Death on The Nile, The Legend of Tarzan, TV show : Downton Abbey).

**A contemporary and offbeat romantic comedy about a young French bookseller infused with the world of Jane Austen's novels.**

Agathe, hopelessly clumsy yet charming and full of contradictions, finds herself in desperate singlehood. Her dream is to experience love akin to a Jane Austen novel and her ultimate aspiration is to become a writer. Instead, she spends her days selling books in the legendary British Library, Shakespeare & Co, in Paris. Invited to the Jane Austen Writers' Residency in England, she must confront her insecurities to finally fulfill her ambition of becoming a novelist and put an end to wasting her sentimental life.

Available worldwide excluding France