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## FRANCE



"A Masterpiece"  
LE MONDE

"Flamboyantly lavish visually,  
dramatically pitched on an epic scale"

SCREEN

"A fantastically pleasurable  
cinematic delight"

ION CINEMA

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## A FILM BY BRUNO DUMONT



## PARIS, TODAY.

France de Meurs is a star journalist running between a television set, a distant war and the hustle and bustle of her busy family life.

Her frantic high-profile world is suddenly turned upside down after a traffic accident in which she injures a pedestrian. This unexpected irruption of reality calls everything into question.

As France attempts to slow down and retreat into a simple anonymous life, her fame continues to pursue her until a mystified love affair seems to put an end to her quest.

**CAST**

**Léa Seydoux**  
(Golden Palm Winner  
– *Blue is the Warmest  
Color, Bond 25*)

**Blanche Gardin**  
(*Delete History*)

**Benjamin Biolay**  
(*On a Magical Night,  
Memoir of War*)

**PRODUCERS**

**3B Productions**  
(*The Insult, Slack Bay*)  
In coproduction with Red  
Ballon, Scope.

**LANGUAGE**

French

**COUNTRIES**France, Germany,  
Belgium, Italy

**DELIVERY**  
Q3 2021

**FRENCH  
DISTRIBUTOR**

ARP Sélection  
August 25th 2021

# BIGGER THAN US



A FILM BY FLORE VASSEUR



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FESTIVAL DE CANNES  
OUT OF COMPETITION  
2021 OFFICIAL SELECTION



AN ACTIVIST DOCUMENTARY EXECUTIVE PRODUCED BY MARION COTILLARD.

For six years, Melati, 18, has been fighting the plastic pollution that is ravaging her country, Indonesia. Like her, a generation is rising up to fix the world. Everywhere, teenagers and young adults are fighting for human rights, the climate, freedom of expression, social justice, access to education or food. Dignity. Alone against all odds, sometimes risking their lives and safety, they protect, denounce and care for others. The earth. And they change everything.

Melati goes to meet them across the globe. At a time when everything seems to be or has been falling apart, these young people show us how to live. And what it means to be in the world today.

**LANGUAGE**  
English

**COUNTRY**  
France

**PRODUCERS**

Elzevir Films (*Marie's Story, Home*)  
All You Need is Prod  
Big Mother Productions

**FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR**

Jour2fête  
September 22nd 2021

**ACTIVISTS**

Melati Wijssen, 18 – Indonesia, Plastic pollution  
Mohamad Al Jounde, 18 – Lebanon, Education for refugees  
Memory Banda, 22 – Malawi, Women's rights  
Mary Finn, 22 – Greece, Refugee rescue  
Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, 19 – USA, Climate emergency  
Rene Silva, 25 – Brazil, Freedom of speech  
Winnie Tushabe, 25 – Uganda, Food security

# THE CROSSING

La Traversee

In Selection



"An exceptional animated feature "

LE FIGARO

" An overwhelming film which shines for long in your heart"

LA CROIX



SSIFF

ZABALTEGI-TABAKALERA



27. Sarajevo Film Festival OFFICIAL SELECTION



OFFICIAL SELECTION Fantoche International Animation Film Festival



LONG MÉTRAGE ANNECY SÉLECTION OFFICIELLE

JURY MENTION

## A FILM BY FLORENCE MIALTHE



A SMALL VILLAGE LOOTED IN DARKNESS, A FAMILY FORCED TO FLEE.

The two oldest children, Kyona and Adriel are quickly separated from their parents facing the road of exile alone. They embark on a heroic journey which takes them from childhood to adolescence in search of shelter, peace and the hope of finding refuge and their family. Crossing a continent torn apart by war and migrant persecution, these courageous siblings survive incredible challenges, before reaching a new world, free at last.

Synopsis

### COUNTRIES

France, Germany, Czech Republic

### LANGUAGES

French

### DELIVERY

Q3 2021

### PRODUCERS

Les Films de l'Arlequin  
Balance Film  
XBO Films  
Maur Film

### WRITERS

Marie Desplechin  
(one of France's top children writer)  
Florence Mialthe

### FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR

Gebeka Films  
September 29th 2021

Cast & Crew

# PLAYGROUND

Un monde

" Grabs us from the first frame (...) Outstandingly natural performances enhanced by spot-on cinematic choices " **SCREEN**



WINNER  
FIPRESCI  
INTERNATIONAL  
CRITICS PRIZE  
CANNES 2021



**SSIFF**

ZABALTEGI-TABAKALERA



27.  
Sarajevo  
Film Festival  
OFFICIAL SELECTION



FESTIVAL DE CANNES  
UN CERTAIN REGARD  
2021 OFFICIAL SELECTION

A FILM BY LAURA WANDEL



BELGIUM. NOWADAYS.

7-year-old Nora and her big brother Abel are back to school. When Nora witnesses Abel being bullied by other kids, she rushes to protect him by warning their father. But Abel forces her to remain silent. Caught in a conflict of loyalty, Nora will ultimately try to find her place, torn between Children's and adults' worlds.

## PRODUCERS

Dragons Films  
(Belgium)  
Lunanime

## BELGIAN DISTRIBUTOR

Lumière

## FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR

Tandem  
November 10th 2021

## LANGUAGE

French

## CAST

Maya Vanderbeque  
Günter Duret  
Karim Leklou

# MAGNETIC BEATS

Les Magnétiques

"An Accomplished debut (...) Will likely appeal to arthouse distributors on the hunt for younger audiences" **SCREEN**

A FILM BY VINCENT MAËL CARDONA



27.  
Sarajevo  
Film Festival  
OFFICIAL SELECTION

QUINZAINÉ  
DIRECTORS' FORTNIGHT  
CANNES 2021

BRITTANY, 1980s.

A bunch of friends yearning for excitement broadcast a free radio station from their hometown in the countryside. Jerome leads it with unique charisma while Philippe, the technical genius, lives in the shadow of Jerome, his big brother. When called for the military service, Philippe has no choice but to leave for West Berlin. He's determined to keep on broadcasting, but realizes that he just lived the last glorious moments of a world on the verge of extinction.

## CAST

Thimotée Robart  
(*Burning Ghost*)  
Joseph Olivennes  
Marie Colomb

## LENGTH

102 MIN.

## FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR

Paname Distribution  
November 10th 2021

## DELIVERY

SPRING 2021  
France, Germany

## PRODUCERS

Easy Tiger (*Divines*)  
Srab Films (*Les Misérables*)  
Elemag Pictures  
in Co-Production with Port  
au Prince Film & Kultur Produktion GmbH

## LANGUAGES

French, English, German

# ROBUST

Robuste

"Sharp writing, perceptively sketched characterisation, and a lovely, largely acapella score emphasise the very human aspects" **SCREEN**

"Supremely well-performed (...) Charming, refreshingly un-sappy odd-couple dramedy" **VARIETY**

## A FILM BY CONSTANCE MEYER



SEMAINE  
DE LA CRITIQUE  
CANNES 2021  
FILM D'OUVERTURE



### PARIS, TODAY.

George is an aging film star in decay, Aïssa is a semi-pro wrestler who earns a living as a security officer, and has a hard time handling her love life. When George's right-arm man and only friend takes a leave of absence for several weeks, Aïssa is appointed as his replacement. Between this pragmatic young lady bodyguard and our disenchanted renowned actor, a singular bond begins to take root. Despite their individual differences, life has shaped them in ways more similar than they thought.

#### PRODUCERS

**Dharamsala**  
(*Proxima, C'est ça l'amour*)

#### DOP

**Simon Beaufigs**  
(*My Donkey, My Lover and I, Knife + Heart*)

#### CAST

**G rard Depardieu**  
**D borah Lukumuena**  
(*Divines, Invisibles*)

#### SCREENPLAY

**Constance Meyer**

#### FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR

**Diaphana**  
(TBA)

#### DELIVERY

Q3 2021

# BRUNO REIDAL

CONFESSION OF A MURDERER

*"A chilling, utterly compelling journey through the mind of a murderer (...) richly realised and enthralling. Critical acclaim should commend it to arthouse distributors around the globe"* **SCREEN**

A FILM BY VINCENT LE PORT



60<sup>e</sup> SEMAINE  
DE LA CRITIQUE  
CANNES 2021



CANTAL, FRANCE, 1905.

In the forest surrounding his native village, the young seminarian Bruno Reidal murders a boy before surrendering immediately to authorities. In prison, under interrogation for weeks, he faces a panel of three doctors attempting to understand his lethal impulse. They order Bruno to retrace his past by writing his life story, as they try to identify the events or the anomaly that could have led to such an atrocity.

**LENGTH**  
101 MIN

**COUNTRY**  
France

**CAST**  
Dimitri Doré  
Jean-Luc Vincent  
(Camille Claudel 1915,  
Slack Bay)

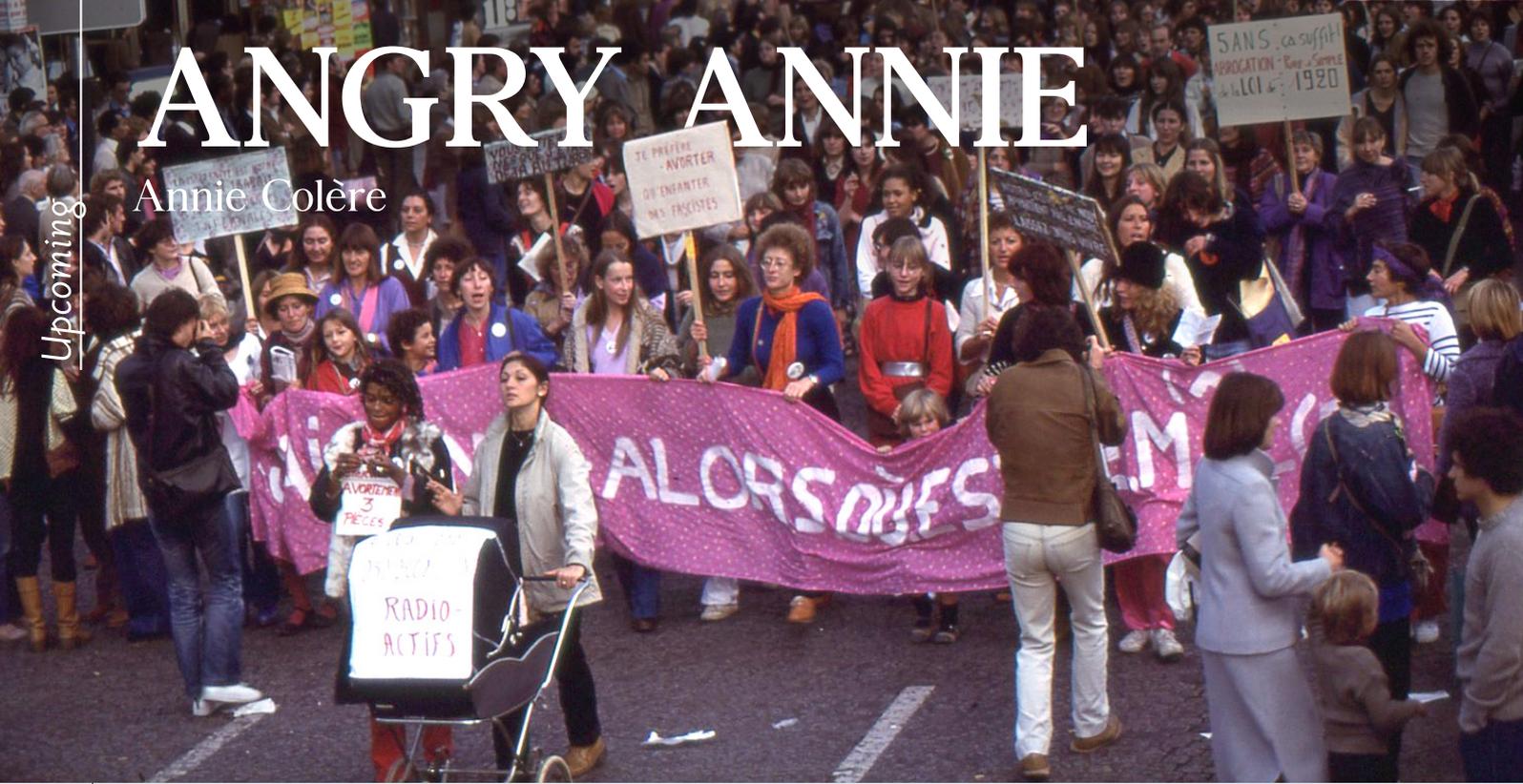
**PRODUCERS**  
Stank (France)  
Capricci (France)

**FRENCH  
DISTRIBUTOR**  
Capricci  
March 2022

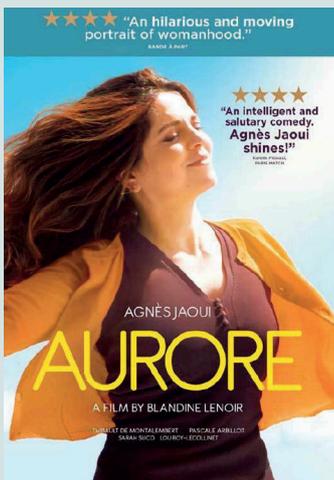
# ANGRY ANNIE

Annie Colère

Upcoming



A FILM BY BLANDINE LENOIR



INSPIRED BY TRUE EVENTS.

A countryside village in France, 1974. When she accidentally becomes pregnant, Annie, a working mother of two teenagers, meets with the Movement for the Liberation of Abortion and Contraception (MLAC); doctors and women who perform illegal abortions in the public eye, practicing a free, safe and respectful method. Gradually Annie will join their battle, which will bring a new meaning to her life.

Synopsis

## CAST

**Laure Calamy**  
(Netflix' 10%, My donkey, my lover & I)

**Zita Hanrot**  
(School Life, Eden)

**India Hair** (Mandibules, Staying Vertical)

## PRODUCERS

Aurora Films  
Local Films

## LANGUAGE

French

## DELIVERY

1st Semester 2022  
France

## FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR

Diaphana

Cast & Crew

# BROKEN KEYS

On release



A FILM BY JIMMY KEYROUZ



FESTIVAL DE CANNES  
OFFICIAL SELECTION  
2020

THE  
OSCARS  
Oscar Entry - Lebanon



2013, IN A WAR-TORN VILLAGE IN SYRIA.

Karim, a musician, needs to sell his most precious possession to leave Syria and only has thirteen days to do it. As he wraps the instrument, a terrorist leader bursts into the apartment and destroys it. Karim enlists the help of a young boy named Ziad to whom he promises money, to help find the parts he needs in order to rebuild his piano. After several failed attempts, Ziad tells Karim about a grand piano located in a dangerous distant city named Ramza that was owned by family friends. It's a suicide mission but Karim has to take this chance.

Synopsis

## LANGUAGES

Arabic

## PRODUCERS

Ezekiel Film Production

## COUNTRY

Lebanon

## CAST

Sara Abi Kanaan

Adel Karam

(*The Insult*, *Caramel*)

Tarek Yaacoub

## COMPOSERS

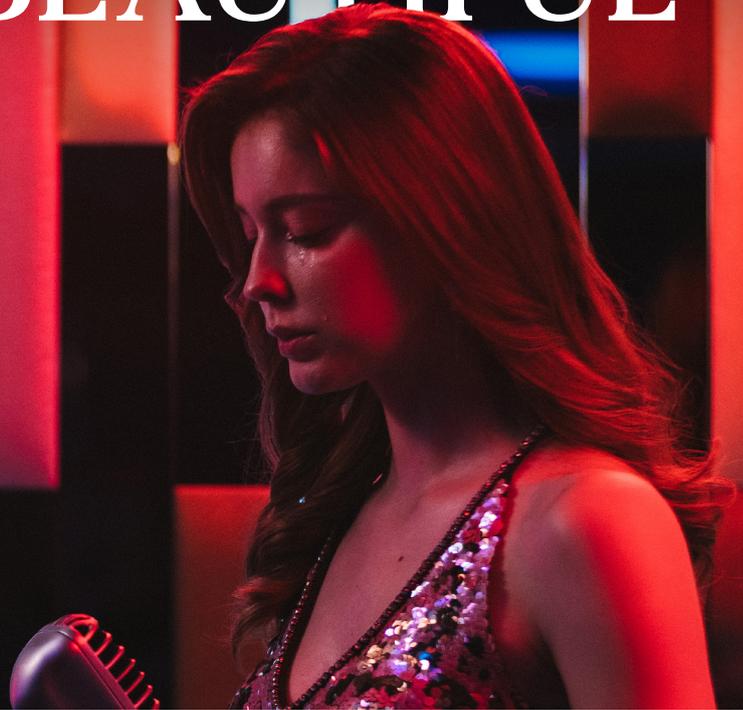
Gabriel Yared

(*The English Patient*  
– Oscar for Best Original Score,  
*The Talented Mr. Ripley*,  
*Cold Mountain*)

Cast & Crew

# DEAD & BEAUTIFUL

On release



A FILM BY DAVID VERBEEK



**OFFICIAL SELECTION**

INTERNATIONAL  
FILM FESTIVAL  
ROTTERDAM  
2021

**SHUDDER**  
English-speaking territories



AN ASIAN MEGALOPOLIS, TODAY.

After a wild night, a group of young wealthy friends wake up from their drunken stupor with a freakish discovery: each of them has grown a pair of fangs – vampire teeth.

Bewildered at first, the group realizes they feel stronger and more attractive than ever before. As they strain to make sense of their new situation, they lose themselves in a twisted game of taking their new vampire skills to the streets. In this new kind of nightlife, with the limits of life, love and death greatly blurred, it dawns on the group that they can no longer trust each other. Nobody can be sure of what this vampire business is all about - or, for that matter, if any of this is even real.

Synopsis

**COUNTRIES**  
Netherlands, Taiwan

**DOP**  
Jasper Wolf (*Monos*)

**DISTRIBUTOR**  
Periscoop

**CAST**  
Gijs Blom  
Avis Zhong  
Yen Tsao  
Anna Mwarченко  
Philip Juan

**LANGUAGES**  
English, Chinese

**PRODUCERS**  
Erik Glijnis & Leontine Petit  
(Lemming Film)

**CO-PRODUCERS**  
Vincent Wang,  
Nobu Tsai Hsin-Hung  
(*House on Fire International*),  
Lulu Lai,  
Siniša Juričić

**DELIVERY**  
Q3 2021

Cast & Crew

# QUO VADIS, AIDA ?

On release

"A breathless thriller"

SCREEN

"Deeply compelling, harrowing and heartbreaking"

VARIETY

"Impossible to forget"

INDIEWIRE

"A vital work of art"

HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

## A FILM BY JASMILA ZBANIC



BOSNIA, JULY 11<sup>TH</sup> 1995.

Aida is a translator for the United Nations in the small town of Srebrenica. When the Serbian army takes over the town, her family is among the thousands of citizens looking for shelter in the UN camp. As an insider to the negotiations Aida has access to crucial information that she needs to interpret. What is at the horizon for her family and people – rescue or death? Which move should she take?

Synopsis

Cast & Crew

### COUNTRIES

Bosnia-Herzegovina, Austria, Romania, Netherlands, Turkey, Germany, Poland, France, Norway

### WRITER

Jasmila Žbanic

### LENGTH

102 MIN.

### LANGUAGES

Bosnian, English, Dutch

### CAST

Jasna Đuricic  
Izudin Bajrovic  
Boris Ler

### PRODUCERS

Damir Ibrahimovic  
Jasmila Žbanic

On release

# CALAMITY

"Resplendent hand-drawn imagery, action-packed story and can-do attitude... a vibrant and dynamic delight" **SCREEN**

## A FILM BY RÉMI CHAYÉ



1863, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

12-year-old Martha Jane and her family are headed West in large covered wagon train in search of a better life. After Martha Jane's father is hurt in a serious accident, she takes charge of her siblings and learns to drive the family wagon. She has never felt so free. Utterly practical and bold, Martha Jane dresses as a boy and becomes increasingly troublesome for the community due to her outspoken braveness. When the leader of the wagon wrongly accuses her of theft, she runs away to find proof of her innocence...

In the Wild, she discovers herself and a world which shapes her and confirms her unique personality... revealing the mythical Calamity Jane.

Synopsis

**COUNTRIES**  
France, Denmark

**LANGUAGE**  
French

**LENGTH**  
85 MIN.

**FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR**  
Gebeka  
October 14th 2020

**PRODUCERS**  
Maybe Movies  
(Zombillennium,  
Long Way North,  
Ernest & Celestine)  
Nørlum  
(Song of the Sea,  
Long Way North)

**CAST**  
Gijs Blom  
Avis Zhong  
Yen Tsao  
Anna Marchenko  
Philip Juan

Cast & Crew

# SHOULD THE WIND DROP

Si le vent tombe

On release



A fascinating story, and a contentious one (...) Should the Wind Drop is fuelled by optimism" **SCREEN**

## A FILM BY NORA MARTIROSYAN



### CAUCASUS, NOWADAYS.

International auditor Alain has arrived to appraise the airport of a small self-proclaimed republic in the Caucasus in order to to greenlight its eventual reopening.

Through Edgar, a local boy running a make-shift business in the airport, Alain will put everything at risk to help this isolated territory to open up.

Synopsis

### FRENCH DISTRIBUTOR

Arizona Distribution  
May 26th 2021

### CAST

Grégoire Colin  
(*Beau Travail, Nénette et Boni, The Price of Success*)

### PRODUCERS

SISTER Productions (France)  
Aneva Production (Armenia)  
Kwassa Films (Belgium)

### LANGUAGE

French, Armenian,  
English, Russian

### COUNTRIES

France, Armenia,  
Belgium

### LENGTH

100 MIN.

Cast & Crew