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FESTIVAL AWARDS – CROSSING EUROPE Film Festival Linz 2016

The Awards Presentation of the 13th CROSSING EUROPE Film Festival Linz took place this evening in the Ursulinensaal of the Upper Austrian Culture Quarter. The host for the evening was Markus Zett, while the musician and performer CHERRY SUNKIST provided an atmospheric sound experience. The CROSSING EUROPE AWARDS (money and material prizes with a value of about € 28,500) were presented with numerous international film guests, industry representatives and the press present, along with representatives of the funders and sponsors and from politics – including member of the provincial parliament Gisela Peutlberger-Naderer, Director of Culture for the Province Reinhold Kräter, and City Councilor Bettina Stadlbauer. Festival Director Christine Dollhofer's provisional résumé of the festival was a positive one.

CROSSING EUROPE Competition - Fiction

CROSSING EUROPE Award - Best Fiction Film

€ 10.000,- powered by Linz Kultur & Land Oberösterreich / Kultur

Ex aequo decision, i.e. € 5.000,- each go to

BABAI

Visar Morina, DE/KO/MZ/FR 2015

and

BADEN BADEN

Rachel Lang, BE/FR 2016

*The JURY COMPETITION – Fiction (Anna Fodor, Dimitris Kerkinos, Kathrin Kohlstedde) explained their decision with the statement:
„To BABAI for touching upon the complex relationship between son and father, seen through the eyes of the boy, in times of turmoil, without succumbing to sentimentality.
And to BADEN BADEN for its significant artistic signature, for taking the challenge to create a film dancing on the border of personal tragedy and comedy.“*

CROSSING EUROPE Audience Award - Best Fiction Film

€ 1.000,- powered by *Crossing Europe*

& Sachpreise, gestiftet von [ray filmmagazin](#) & [PARK INN by Radisson Linz](#) – First Hotel Partner

JAJDA / THIRST

Svetla Tsotsorkova, BG 2015

//As in past years, the award was determined by votes from the audience. //

CROSSING EUROPE Competition - Documentary

CROSSING EUROPE Social Awareness Award - Best Documentary

€ 5.000,- powered by [gfk-Gesellschaft für Kulturpolitik OÖ](#)

RIO CORGO

Maya Kosa, Sérgio da Costa, CH/PT 2015

The JURY COMPETITION – Documentary (Cintia Gil, Mads Mikkelsen, Katharina Pethke) stated the reason for their decision with these words:

“This film assumes a difficult task in today’s cinema: to build a testimony of a present by giving materiality to the human capacity to envision and to exist beyond the facts, to distinguish real from reality – the most political challenge for documentary filmmaking, – and to offer a world as a question of importance. As someone says in the film: “Here you can see the universe.”

Special Mention:

BIROBJIDJAN - LE NID EST TOMBÉ DANS LES FLAMMES / BIROBJIDJAN - THE NEST HAS FALLEN INTO THE FLAMES

Guy-Marc Hinant, BE 2015

The JURY COMPETITION – Documentary (Cintia Gil, Mads Mikkelsen, Katharina Pethke) stated:

“A film for its determined ambition towards the impossible: to contain and preserve a long, troubled and largely unknown history of a place and a culture on the verge of oblivion through text, voice, language, songs, poetry, photography, and not least cinema. So a film that is as valuable and rewarding today as it will be in the time to come.”

CROSSING EUROPE Competition – Local Artist

CROSSING EUROPE Award - Local Artist

€ 5.000,- powered by *Land Oberösterreich / Kultur*

€ 2.000,- voucher from the company [The Grand Post Audio Post Production for Film & TV](#)

€ 5.000,-:

KORIDA

Siniša Vidović, AT 2016

The JURY COMPETITION – Local Artist (Robert Hinterleitner, Katja Jäger, Jola Wieczorek) stated:

“This prize is awarded to a film that takes us into the world of a centuries-old tradition with authentic, strong characters and clear images. Especially the small gestures and respectful way of dealing with humans and animals create a bond despite ethnic and confessional differences.”

€ 2.000,- voucher: [THOSE SHOCKING SHAKING DAYS](#)

Selma Doborac, AT/BA 2016

The JURY COMPETITION – Local Artist (Robert Hinterleitner, Katja Jäger, Jola Wieczorek) stated

“This prize is awarded to a film that raises the question of how and whether war can be depicted in film and takes us to the limits of content and form. It provokes a dialogue between the director and the audience: intense and highly intelligent, it leaves a lasting impression.”

CROSSING EUROPE Social Awareness Award - Local Artist

€ 4.000,- powered by Kinder- und Jugendhilfe OÖ

[UNTEN](#)

Djordje Čenić, Hermann Peseckas, AT 2016

The JURY COMPETITION – Local Artist (Robert Hinterleitner, Katja Jäger, Jola Wieczorek) stated:

“This prize is awarded to a film that starts from an intimate family history to set out in search of an own identity. With self-reflection and humor, it manages to open up a view of larger contexts. The directors allow us an insight into the world of guest workers and their children, which touches us and conjoins above and below.”

CREATIVE REGION MUSIC VIDEO Audience Award

€ 1.500,- powered by [CREATIVE REGION Linz & Upper Austria](#)

[WÖSSIDE - WÖS RAP REC](#)

Leni Gruber, AT 2015

// The prize has been awarded now for the fourth time, once again the winner was chosen by votes from the audience. //

CROSSING EUROPE Award - Local Artist Atelierpreis

powered by [Atelierhaus Salzamt der Stadt Linz](#)

[LAST SUPPER IV](#)

Maria Czernohorszky, AT 2015

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Photos & film stills: <http://www.crossingeurope.at/xe-presse/pressefotos/>

Festival impressions: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/crossingeurope/collections/>

Logo & festival motif: <http://www.crossingeurope.at/xe-presse/logos>

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