



WINDOW TO EUROPE

Delhi
Dec 01 – 10, 2023
Chennai
Jan 19 – 28, 2024

20 films
28 films
28 films



20+ hours
20+ hours
80+ hours

25 languages
25 languages
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About

The European Union Film Festival – India (EUFF) is an annual event organised by the EU Delegation to India along with Member States. The festival celebrates the diversity and depth of European cinema and culture, featuring award-winning films from all 27 European Union countries.

It offers a 'Window to Europe' to the audience and demonstrates the power of cinema to transcend boundaries and create shared experiences.

This year marks the 28th edition of the EU Film Festival. Rich in genres and themes, the films take the audience on a cinematic journey with stories that underline the crucial role of inter-generational

and intercultural dialogue and celebrate the creative and cultural exchange between the EU and India.

The festival offers the best of outstanding European cinema from European Union countries and Ukraine, celebrating the most recent cinematic triumphs at Cannes, Tribeca, Tallinn, Venice, Berlin and San Sebastian, amongst others.

The audience also have the opportunity to interact with European filmmakers and artists visiting the festival. Audience stand to get an exclusive insight into the nuances of filmmaking and acting in exclusive interaction with French actress Guslagie Malanda, Finnish director Hanna Marjo Västinsalo, Finnish Producer Cyril Jacob Abraham and

Estonian director Anu Aun. The EUFF, over the years, has become a familiar sharing space to highlight the variety and wealth of European cinematography with passionate Indian audiences. The festival celebrates the love for cinema that both Europe and India share. With this, we welcome you to the 28th EU Film Festival.



Curator's Note

A Journey to Europe.
A Journey to life

Life is a real and metaphysical journey through the lands we explore, the people we meet, the stories we tell and the ones that are told to us. Cinema too is a journey that we undertake together with people sitting next to us in a theatre or miles away.

This ability to transcend borders, express the multi-sensorial possibility of

exploring reality, of getting closer to other people and traveling into the mystery that binds our lives is what makes cinema a powerful medium.

This metaphorical journey is the main theme of the 28th edition of the European Union Film Festival – India, understood as the will for change and of the search for a path to reach the awareness that often

individual freedom and happiness is inextricably connected to the freedom and happiness of others.

This year the festival will travel from New Delhi (1st to 10th December) to Chennai (19th to 28th January 2024) offering a gamut of specially curated award-winning films that showcase the richness, variety and the complexity of European culture.

Intimate tales reflect universal experiences, as the festival offers a ticket to travel into the heart of Europe. Showcasing diverse films from across the EU, plus Ukraine, the films, in multiple languages, include the work of 18 remarkable female directors. The festival line-up offers evocative, innovative, independent and offbeat voices across genres such

as drama, comedy, sci-fi, documentary, animation, among others.

Through the stories, we'll embark on a compelling journey that could bring us far from where we are but also push us into exploring the hidden angles of our souls, trying to overcome personal weakness, stereotypes and fears, while opening new perspectives.

-Veronica Flora and Valerio Caruso



Team Europe



Partners





Tori and Lokita

Belgium

00 m ————— 88 m

DIRECTOR - Luc Dardenne and Jean-Pierre Dardenne | GENRE - Drama | A
In Belgium today, a young boy and an adolescent girl who have travelled alone from Africa pit their invincible friendship against the difficult conditions of their exile.



Mother

Bulgaria

00 m ————— 117 m

DIRECTOR - Sophia Zornitsa | GENRE - Drama | A
Elena, an inspired theatre director from Bulgaria, loses her ability to have children at the age of 32. Facing a choice between conceiving in vitro with her husband Leon, and adapting her life transforming theatre program for orphans in Africa, Elena will have to reinvent the word "mother". Inspired by a true story.



Murina

Croatia

00 m ————— 92 m

DIRECTOR - Antoneta Alamat Kusijanovic | GENRE - Drama | A
Tensions rise between restless teenager Julija and her oppressive father Ante when an old family friend arrives at their Croatian island home.



The Man With The Answers

Cyprus

00 m ————— 80 m

DIRECTOR - Stelios Kammitis | GENRE - Drama | UA
A former Greek diving champion and an eccentric German student take an adventurous road-trip of rediscovery from Bari to Bavaria.



Ordinary Failures

Czech Republic

00 m ————— 84 m

DIRECTOR - Cristina Grosan | GENRE - Drama / Sci-Fi | UA
Ordinary Failures (Bezná selhání) is a film about a misfit teenager, an anxious mother, and a recent widow see their day interrupted by a mysterious natural phenomenon. As their world descends into chaos, the three women struggle to find their place in life.



The Quiet Migration

Denmark

00 m ————— 103 m

DIRECTOR - Malene Choi | GENRE - Drama | UA
Carl is expected someday to take over his parents' agribusiness in a rural backwater in Denmark. But, as an adopted child, he also longs to learn more about his South Korean heritage.



Walker on Water

Estonia

00 m ————— 87m

DIRECTOR - Anu Aun | GENRE - Documentary | UA
Walker On Water (Vetelkõndija) is a film about being a woman, told through the experiences and work of Kristiina Ehin, Estonia's most beloved and internationally renowned contemporary poetess.



Palimpsest

Finland

00 m ————— 109 m

DIRECTOR - Hanna Västinsalo | GENRE - Drama/Sci-Fi | UA
Two elderly roommates at a hospice are randomly selected for a Gene-Therapy Trial that rejuvenates their bodies, making them younger.



Saint Omer

France

00 m ————— 122 m

DIRECTOR - Alice Diop | GENRE - Drama | A
Saint-Omer court of law. Young novelist Rama attends the trial of Laurence Coly, a young woman accused of killing her 15-month-old daughter by abandoning her to the rising tide on a beach in northern France.



Breaking The Ice

Austria

00 m ————— 101 m

DIRECTOR - Clara Stern | GENRE - Drama | UA
An Austrian woman escapes from the pressure of running her family's vineyard by playing ice hockey. Then a new player arrives to challenge her rigid worldview, leading to a life-changing night on the streets of Vienna.



Listen

Greece

00 m ————— 95 m

DIRECTOR - Maria Douza | GENRE - Drama | UA
Listen (Ákousé me) is a film about a teenage deaf girl, Valmira 16, who faces a financial upheaval that forces her leave to a progressive Athens school and return to her father's struggling island where she is confronted by the danger of prejudice and intolerance, most shockingly — her own.



Preparations to Be Together for an Unknown Period of Time

Hungary

00 m ————— 95 m

DIRECTOR - Lili Horvát | GENRE - Romance / Drama | UA
Márta, a 40-year-old neurosurgeon, falls in love. She leaves her shining American career behind and returns to Budapest to start a new life with the man.



The Banshees of Inisherin

Ireland

00 m ————— 114 m

DIRECTOR - Martin McDonagh | GENRE - Comedy/Drama | UA
On a remote island off the coast of Ireland, Pádraic is devastated when his buddy Colm suddenly puts an end to their lifelong friendship.



The Eight Mountains

Italy

00 m ————— 147 m

DIRECTOR - Charlotte Vandermeersch & Felix Van Groeningen | GENRE - Drama | UA
The Eight Mountains (Le Otto Montagne) is a story of a boy named Pietro from the city, Bruno is the last child of a forgotten mountain village. Over the years, Bruno remains faithful to his mountain, while Pietro is the one who comes and goes.



My Love Affair With Marriage

Latvia

00 m ————— 108 m

DIRECTOR - Signe Baumane | GENRE - Animation | A
My Love Affair With Marriage follows Zelma on her 23-year quest for perfect love and lasting marriage set against a backdrop of historic events in Eastern Europe.



Remember to Blink

Lithuania

00 m ————— 109 m

DIRECTOR - Austėja Urbaitė | GENRE - Drama | UA
Remember To Blink (Per Arti) is a film about a French couple adopt 2 Lithuanian kids. To help them adapt they hire Gabi, a bilingual student. Cultural differences, mismatched attitudes, disparate values and diverse educational methods soon ignite conflicts between the adults.



Icarus and The Minotaur

Luxembourg

00 m ————— 76 m

DIRECTOR - Carlo Vogele | GENRE - Animation | U
Young Icarus lives a happy and humble life in the sculpture workshop of his father, the famous inventor Daedalus. The day he discovers a little boy with a bull's head who lives hidden in the Royal palace of Knossos, a tender friendship rocks his world.

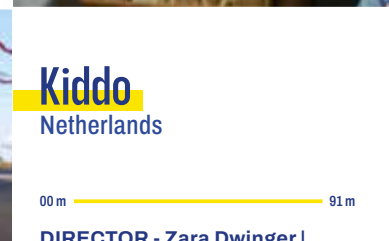


Carmen

Malta

00 m ————— 87 m

DIRECTOR - Valerie Buhagiar | GENRE - Drama | UA
In a small village in Malta, Carmen has looked after her brother, the local priest, for her entire life. When the Church abandons Carmen, she is mistaken for the new priest. Carmen begins to see the world, and herself, in a new light.



Kiddo

Netherlands

00 m ————— 91 m

DIRECTOR - Zara Dwinger | GENRE - Dramedy | UA
Eleven-year-old Lu is living in a foster home when her long-lost mother, Karina, shows up unexpectedly and takes her on a wild road trip in a beat-up sports car — all the way to her grandma in Poland.



Wolf and Dog

Portugal

00 m ————— 111 m

DIRECTOR - Cláudia Varejão | GENRE - Drama | A
Wolf And Dog (Lobo E Cão) about a girl named Ana who was born on an island. She is ra middle child. The three siblings live with their mother and grandmother. As she grew up, Ana realized that girls and boys were given different tasks.



Mikado

Romania

00 m ————— 96 m

DIRECTOR - Emanuel Parvu | GENRE - Drama | A
One day, Magda, a teenager, offers her necklace to a sick child in the hospital she volunteers for. Her father is certain she is lying, and when she proves her innocence, he is incapable of admitting he was wrong.



She-Hero

Slovakia

00 m ————— 83 m

DIRECTOR - Mira Fornay | GENRE - Adventure | U
While searching for her escaped pet Mimi, Romy roams alone through the forest on the outskirts of town, makes exciting discoveries and meets people full of mysteries. Under her curious and critical gaze, the real and the fantastic merge.



Riders

Slovenia

00 m ————— 110 m

DIRECTOR - Dominik Mencej | GENRE - Drama | UA
Riders (Jezdeca) is a film about spring of 1999, two friends decide to transform their mopeds into choppers and embark on a journey, looking for freedom and love. On the road, they are joined by a young runaway woman and an old biker.



The Beasts

Spain

00 m ————— 137 m

DIRECTOR - Rodrigo Sorogoyen | GENRE - Thriller | A
The Beasts (As Bestas) is a film about a french couple move to a Galician town in search of a closer relationship with nature. However, a conflict with their neighbours, the Anta brothers, causes tensions to grow until the situation reaches a point of no return.

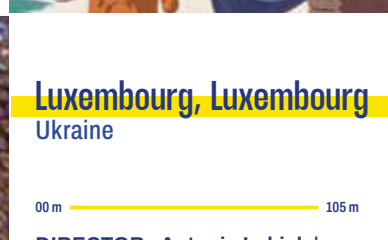


After Work

Sweden

00 m ————— 81 m

DIRECTOR - Erik Gandini | GENRE - Documentary | UA
The majority of jobs that exists today will disappear within a few decades. As technology surpasses human capacity, we have the opportunity to rethink the role of work in our lives.



Luxembourg, Luxembourg

Ukraine

00 m ————— 105 m

DIRECTOR - Antonio Lukic | GENRE - Comedy / Drama | UA
Mykola and Vasya go in search of their father, who left them when they were children, after they come to know that he is dying in Luxembourg.



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