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ARTS . LIFESTYLE

**The Donald Duck Principle** HD



- › 90' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)
- › 2014
- › Avanti Media, ZDF, arte, Midtnorsk

Donald Duck is one of the most popular cartoons in the world. He can't fly or save the world and he doesn't exactly have the best of luck. But this is exactly what makes him so identifiable! He made his first appearance in a cartoon film in 1934 and since then has managed to recover from many letdowns. His attitude is comforting to many – a soothing notion that failure is not all bad and that the ability to rally is just what constitutes the beauty of human nature. This and many more are reasons enough to take a closer look at the character and his adventures.

**Money-Making Art**



- › 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs), 45' (GER)
- › 2016
- › WDR, arte

Many can afford a nice car, but who can brag about having an original piece of art from Richter or Warhol hanging on their wall? Owning art is a sign of prestige. It is also an investment that promises a high return. At an auction, an artwork going for hundreds of millions or more is not an uncommon occurrence, but what is the reason behind this? Who stands to profit the most? Lurking in the shadows of the art world are astronomical increases in art value, investors, and art dealers. The film reveals the system in which money controls art.





## Streetphilosophy (Season 2)

HD

› 10 x 30' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2017 › weltrecorder, rbb, arte

In western society religion no longer regulates young people's behaviour, politics doesn't answer their questions, and the philosophies that once created order have become passé. So, what else is there to use as a guideline on how to live life? This is the question Berlin resident Jonas, a representative of the Generation Y, hopes to answer in the series

*Streetphilosophy*. After the successful launch in 2016, Jonas hits the streets again in a new season of this award-winning show. Each episode starts with a call-to-action, a philosophical thesis or an ethical demand which is presented in a modern and unusual black-and-white-format.

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**CURRENT AFFAIRS**

**Kazakhstan – Boom and Crisis**

HD

- › 45' (GER)
- › 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)
- › 2017
- › doc.station, ZDF, arte

After the dissolution of the Soviet Union, Kazakhstan is staring at an uncertain future. Though a nation with a wealth of mineral deposits and a young, well-educated population, it is currently in the midst of an economic crisis that is spawning social tension. The film devotes itself to the everyday lives of regular Kazakhs, the people who have to navigate between modernity and tradition and offers a complex portrait of the country that is trying to find a place in the globalized post-Soviet era.



**Safety – A Distant Dream: The Plight of Women Refugees**

HD

- › 45' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › WDR

Almost 70% of the refugees are men. And as physical and sexual abuse is common to the female refugee experience in any part of the world – a sad truth – what happens to the few women who make it to Europe? The silence is being broken. The film uncovers the refugee situation through the lens of the women who have been falling consistently through the cracks of the system. By telling their personal stories, they hope to shed light on the conditions under which they have been living.



## Islamic Economics

HD

› 2 x 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2011  
› Kick Film, Fork Films, ZDF, arte, SRF, SBS-TV Australia

In the shadows of our conventional financial system, the Gulf States, Turkey and the Islamic countries of Southeast Asia have developed a system that appears to be less affected by recent crises – this is Islamic Finance. But what is behind Islamic Finance, how did it emerge, and what makes it different from the standard system?

Episodes: 1. From Bazar to Wall Street – Islamic Economics, 2. The Price of Paradise



## Operation Sea Watch II – The Rescue Continues

HD

› 45' (GER, ENG subs) › 2016 › Filme & Consorten, WDR

They couldn't just sit back and relax while thousands of refugees die in the Mediterranean Sea. So the founders of Sea Watch bought an old fishing boat. This decision has changed their lives in many ways. In the first year they saved more than 2,000 lives and now they have decided to expand. They bought a bigger ship and a micro-light plane to fly over the coast of Libya and improve their search. But now they must struggle with the authorities and face real life threats. Can they continue their mission?



## How Terror Affects Tourism

HD

› 45' (GER, ENG subs) › 2016 › WDR

Empty beaches and hotels in Turkey – no vacant beds in Mallorca. After the terrorist attacks in Paris and Nice, the aborted putsch attempt in Turkey and the attacks in Istanbul, tourism around the Mediterranean Sea has changed a lot. This film features the countries that have lost tourists due to a series of terrorist attacks, shows how the surmounting fear of terror has affected them and last but not least, who profits from it all.



## Turkey Without Tourists

HD

› 45' (GER, ENG subs), 30' (GER) › 2016 › WDR

Turkey was once again the victim of terror attacks. In 2016, more than 100 civilians have lost their lives. People are running scared – tourism in Turkey has collapsed. Tourists who have opted for a vacation there often change their minds at the last minute and booking rates have declined by 40%. But many people in Turkey are dependent on tourism. What effects do terror and the refugee crisis have on Turkey and how do the people who live from tourism cope with it?



**Nightmare on New Year's Eve**

HD

- › 45' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › WDR

On the 31st of December, 2015 in the control centre of the Police Station in Cologne, a young girl made an official report of sexual assault. At this time nobody could have imagined that her report would be but the first of over 500 reports and that this night would create a buzz with astounding socio-political effects. The distress calls have changed the mood of the country, tempers have been riled, suspicions have been raised – the joyful atmosphere of trust has dissipated. The film explains the happenings of this terrible night and what followed in minute details.

**Putin's Elites – Corruption in the Kremlin**

HD

- › 45' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › WDR

Russia's President Putin promised to create new employment for the population and ensure a better relationship between administrative authorities and the national economy. He vowed to use his influence as an agency of change to solve the problems threatening the civilization. But were these promises upheld? Putin's power has degenerated into a cluster of banditry, corruption and the abuse of power. In this documentary, we will shed light on the brutal impact of Russia's corrupted elites on the people of Moscow.



**Behind Closed Doors: The Contergan Scandal**

HD

- › 45' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › Pastouna Pictures, WDR

Contergan – one of the biggest medical scandals of the 20th century. Till the early 60s, the sleep-inducing drug was mass produced and distributed worldwide. But, after ingesting the drug, many expectant mothers experienced stillbirths and those who managed to bring their pregnancies to full term gave birth to children with deformities. After years of humiliation and a lack of apology from the Grünenthal pharmaceutical company, the "Contergan Children" are filing a lawsuit on grounds of newly discovered information.





## FACTUAL ENTERTAINMENT

### Raising Wildlife

HD

> 13 x 30' (ENG, GER) > Release: May 2017 > Autentic, Urban Brew

Meet the cute one month old baby Duiker-Antelope Alice and her caretaker Roselyn. Take a look at Delia's routine as she works 24 hours straight as a substitute mother for the orphaned baby Vervet Monkey Mickey. Learn the heart-warming story about Iris nursing Brit, a tiny African Bat Eared Fox, who somehow strayed from her mom and was rescued by a British soldier. They, along with other wildlife nannies, get up in the middle of the night to feed their foster

babies and make sure they are safe and warm. They have dedicated their lives to helping abandoned animals in need. This series shows what it takes to care for these wild animals, the challenges the caretakers face and the obstacles their wildlife counter-parts have to overcome. We will get an intimate look at the daily routine of raising wildlife and experience exhilarating friendships between man and beast.



**Jumble Rumble**

HD

- › 470 x 45' (GER, 2 Eps ENG subs)  
*long running series*
- › 2008 – 2017
- › Good Times, RTL II

Are the basements and attics so packed that they're bursting at their seams? Are knick-knacks from yesterday stacked from floor to ceiling? If your house could be mistaken for a flea market and you can't decide if what you have are valuable heirlooms or cheap junk, help is on the way: Mauro, Sükrü, Otto, Andi and Marco will show you how you can turn your worthless scrap into shiny dollar bills. They will schlep and haul, scrub and polish, brag and bargain – to free you from the possessions that you have not been able to get rid of: a piece of cake for these junk masters.



**New Home – New Life**

HD

- › 80 x 90', (GER, 2 Eps ENG subs)  
*long running series*
- › 2005 – 2017
- › UFA Entertainment, RTL II

When the dream of becoming a homeowner becomes a nightmare, the knights in shining armour from *New Home – New Life* are there to the rescue. As the construction crew hammers, bores and paints, they pave the way for a family to escape their domestic dilemmas and enter into a new phase in their lives – a phase filled with immense joy and happiness in a fabulous and cosy new home. Every project is an emotional event. *New Home – New Life* is always there to fulfil the heart's desire of those who no longer believe in their luck.





## Partner Barter HD

- > 215 x 90' (GER, 2 Eps ENG subs)  
*long running series*
- > 2003 – 2017
- > Constantin Entertainment, RTL II

For over 10 years, Germany's *Partner Barter* has been offering truly amazing entertainment. The concept: two women move in with another family for several days. What's the worst that could happen? The programme makes it possible for those participating to gain perspective by experiencing life on the other side and personally experiencing how other families live. *Partner Barter* is a thriller, love story, comedy and on occasions, an information programme. Come witness the adventure that is *Partner Barter*.



## Chefs to the Rescue HD

- > 199 x 45' (GER, 2 Eps ENG subs)  
*long running series*
- > 2005 – 2017
- > Janus TV, RTL II

For some restaurant owners these "men in white" are their last glimmer of hope in an otherwise desperate situation: these culinary elites step in to help at times of culinary crisis. They give restaurants and their kitchen chefs new perspectives in the ways of culinary delight. Their mission is to create great tasting food and a cool, fair and energetic atmosphere. They use their passion and drive to put the restaurants back on the path of success. And to make sure they stay on it the four experts will also visit the restaurants they once helped to check their progress. *Chefs to the Rescue*, there's a light at the end of the oven!





## HISTORY

### Inside Mao's China

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2016 › Sagamedia, MDR, arte

As China eased out of its age of isolation in the early 1970's, many Westerners outside of China romanticised the new government. Only a small group of Westerners who grew up and lived inside Mao's China witnessed first-hand the upheaval of the Cultural Revolution. When the Westerners were finally granted permission to leave, they were shocked to find their peers in Europe cheering for the very dictator they had just fled. Conversely, Western Maoists journeyed to China to enjoy revolutionary tours, often returning disillusioned or confused. *Inside Mao's*

*China* tells for the first time about this period of recent Chinese history from the perspective of the small number of Western eyewitnesses, who were there at the time. These ventures between cultures and political systems are among the few who have experienced the Cultural Revolution from the inside and are able to share their experiences without fear. Nevertheless, until now they had preferred to remain silent. Their unique personal stories are combined with rare historical footage to give a new perspective on one of the 20th century's most controversial utopia.



## Stalin's James Bond

HD

- > 45', 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > 2017
- > Prounen Film, arte

This is a story about ideals, beliefs and betrayal. Richard Sorge fought against Hitler and National Socialism. He was a master spy duty-bound to the fight against Hitler. He was a daredevil – loved taking risk – a woman magnet and a rule breaker. And for exactly these reasons, Stalin distrusted him. Richard Sorge is not just the model for Daniel Craig's "James Bond", he was James Bond – a fact that makes this historical documentary a thriller. It is a story about love, loyalty, trust and betrayal.



## Napoleon's Legendary Spy

HD

- > 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > Release: June 2017
- > doc.station, ZDF, arte

Karl Ludwig Schulmeister, a true supporter of the emperor – a real Bonapartist – was a preacher's son and had a longstanding career as smuggler. He wore a uniform but was responsible for conquering cities and spearheading a battle that led to the destruction of the Roman Empire. He was acting chief policeman in Königsberg and Vienna, even while being hunted for under his various aliases – his tricks and skills in the art of disguise were legendary! But controversy circles his story – was he a national hero or a traitor? The story of "Monsieur Charles" – *Napoleon's Legendary Spy*.





**Colonia Dignidad – The True Story**

HD

- › 52' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › Autentic, Spiegel TV

A true horror story from Southern Chile: German preacher Paul Schäfer is the leader of a cult that appears to be a perfect and flawless community – but underneath it all he was working with Pinochet. His enclave was a torture chamber for the enemies of the regime and hardly anyone ever left the premises alive. Late 2015, the film “Colonia” also known as “The Colony” made its way into theaters around the globe. Using the interviews, never before seen screen shots and archive material of the site on which Oscar winner and film-director, Florian Gallenberger based his story, he managed to create *Colonia Dignidad – The True Story* – and showed what life was really like under subjugation, abuse and torture.

**The Egtved Girl**

HD

- › 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- › Release: October 2017
- › Casei Media, Autentic, ZDF, arte

She was young, strong and very courageous, but she met an untimely demise in the summer of 1370 BC. Now, *The Egtved Girl*, a spectacular time travel to the Bronze Age lifts the veil of mystery surrounding the girl discovered on a farm field in Denmark in 1921. For the first time in the history of archaeology, scientists have successfully tracked the ways of a pre-historic being and we can accompany her during the last 15 months of life, recreate her path throughout Europe and solve a great mystery of archaeology about a more or less unknown epoch of humanity. But who was the girl? Why did she risk the dangerous path three times in the space of 15 months and why was she buried with gifts?





## NSU-Complex: Nazi German Underground

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

> 3 x 45', 60', 90' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016 > Aust Media, BR, MDR, NDR

*NSU-Complex* tells the story of the National Socialist Underground. After interviewing ex-Neo-Nazis, several government informants, investigators and the head of the domestic secret service, we are able to grant insight into the world of the unknown. It's the most coherent documentary of one of Germany's biggest political scandals. Until today, no less than eleven parliamentary commissions – on both local and fed-

eral levels – have tried to discover who helped the underground terrorists. But we can't help but wonder about what the intelligence services are hiding from the public. What do agents and politicians in charge really know? Rumours soon began to spread that one or even two of the three neo-Nazis that vanished into thin air had been informers. How is that even possible in a democracy? The investigations are ongoing.



## MOTOR . MACHINES

**The Bugattis**

› 2 x 52' (ENG, GER), 90' (GER), 120' (GER) › 2017  
 › Cinegrell, FM Tonstudio, Kurt Widmer

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

Bugatti is and always has been associated with excitement, luxury, speed and perfection. It is the brand and legacy of one single man, Ettore Bugatti. *The Bugattis* tells the exciting story of a family affair and a one-man show. And at the centre of the immortal legend is Ettore Bugatti; an innovative designer, engineer, artist and inventor and one of the most colourful and

probably most stubborn characters of his time. This is a journey into the age of Art déco, when cars were objects of art. It's a movie about the history of a family as well as about the passionate people of today's world. It's the first movie to tell the whole story. *The Bugattis* – A family affair and a one-man show.



## The Panamera

HD

> 52' (ENG) > 2017 > INFOkontor, Jump Medien, n-tv

A car, fresh from the lab, always invites questions about its features. What can the car do now and what will it be able to do in the future? For luxury cars, these demands are exceedingly high and the new Porsche Panamera has managed to surpass our expectations as the fastest luxury limousine. The Panamera is a sports car-limousine hybrid. With our cameras we will follow a milestone in the development of the new Panamera, which recently managed to break the record as the fastest four-door car at Nürburgring's Nordschleife.



## 75 Years of SUV

HD

> 52' (ENG) > 2017 > INFOkontor, n-tv

What makes a particular type of car legendary, even with a history going back 75 years? From where comes this continually growing excitement for SUVs and how has the operational area of these vehicles changed from accommodating the mud of hilly terrains to the smooth paved surfaces of the boulevards? In our documentary, we will trace these questions back through time while taking you on the ride of a lifetime to find out why the SUV in its matured age is now sexier than ever.

## A Fourcylinder Thriller

HD

> 52' (ENG) > 2017 > INFOkontor, Jump Medien, n-tv

A modern, lightweight design with a highly efficient four-cylinder, mid-mounted engine are the common attributes of the legendary Porsche Spyder. These sports cars, even with their comparatively small four-cylinder engines, have boasted many victories in car-racing events. The new model – the Porsche 919 hybrid – follows the same philosophy with a charged, highly efficient four-cylinder engine, sporting only two litres cylinder capacity. With this new model Porsche manages to continue their success story.



## The Salvagemasters (Season 1-3)

HD

> 12 x 45' (ENG, GER) > 2013 – 2017 > Millstream Films, Autentic

Following the success of the first two episodes of *The Salvagemasters*, we present the third episode of the exciting documentary. Here you get not only the gripping story of the salvage of the black box of El Faro – the American cargo ship with 33 passengers that went down near the Bahamas in Hurricane Joaquin, but also the haunting story of the salvage of the migrant boat carrying more than 700 people that sunk in April 2015. With never before seen footage and exclusive interviews, we show you some of the worst tragedies at sea.





## NATURE . WILDLIFE

**Children of the Sun – Wild Bees & Butterflies**

HD

> 2 x 52' (ENG), 2 x 45' (GER, FRE) > 2017 > Nautilus, BR, WDR, arte, ORF

Discover nature's little helpers as they drift from flower to flower, pollinating as they go. Bees and butterflies play an important role in the pollination of plants and the production of crops for human and animal consumption. The buzzing of the bees and the vibrant colours of butterflies are the staples of the tranquillity and raw beauty of the countryside – a place which beguiles the eyes and calms the soul. But with the hustle and bustle of modern day life, we tend to neglect the microscopic worlds embedded within our own; the symbiotic relationship between their worlds and ours. Here you will be entertained by cap-

tivating fights and sensational performances and be rendered speechless by imposing yet delicate natural structures – a few of what you will find in the habitat of earth's tiniest nomads – the bees. The realm of the butterflies is also begrudgingly gorgeous and these creatures are perhaps the most fancied species in the insect world. Their beautiful colouring and graceful flight appeal to everyone. And most of all, their phenomenal transformation is testament to the evolving nature of life on earth. This two part film magnifies the world of the bees and the butterflies, showing exactly what they have to offer.



## Germany's Wild Amazon

HD

› 52' (ENG), 45' (GER) › 2017 › Tesche Documentary, WDR

The Wupper has remained one of the greatest anomalies of all time. As one of Germany's beauties, the river was the gem of German landscape. But with industrialization it became the country's hardest working river and like everything that has been overworked, it lost its magnificence and charm. Due to tender love and care, the river is now a reigning example of one of the most successful and outstanding renaturation projects in

the country. The film shows pictures of the river now pulsing with life that have never been shot before. We will show you the winding river bed, spawning salmon, mating crabs and still-growing anchor ice. You will see dipper birds searching for food under water, kingfishers catching fish, a family life of badgers, foxes and a wide variety of birds. Come and meet the resurrected river Wupper!



**Masai Mara: The Big Hunt** HD

- › 52' (ENG, GER)
- › Release: November 2017
- › Tesche Documentary

In the traditional sense of the term, nothing about them is beautiful. They are dangerous, repugnant and at the same time fascinating – they are Crocodiles. To film these and many other predators in mid-hunt during the gigantic animal migration at the Masai Mara is the aim of this project. The natural phenomenon that results in the slaughter of hundreds of gazelles, Impalas or antelopes by crocodiles, leopards, or lions. As bonus, our film crew captured slow-motion shoots of the final showdown between predator and prey. They even entered uncharted territory; rather than just filming on the banks of the Mara River, they are heading into Crocodile domain – under water!



**Andes Animal Kingdom** 4K

- › 53 x 52', 90' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- › Release: 2018
- › Light & Shadow, WDR, NDR, arte, Smithsonian, SRF, SVT



The Andes is not just the longest chain of mountains on the planet, it is the most dynamic. Monkeys with thick wool coats, scimitary-billed hummingbirds, or the ultimate specialist in thin air – the Andean condor. The three part series will not only portray charismatic animals such as the puma and spectacled bear, it also features unique animal behavior and finds the rarest animals of the continent – such as the recently discovered Olinguito. You will experience wildlife in the most stunning environments, from mystical cloud forests down to majestic glacial valleys.



## PEOPLE . PLACES

**Stjepan & Malena –  
The Old Man and the Stork**

HD

- > 52', 45' (GER, FRE, ENG)
- > 2017
- > Micafilm, ZDF, arte

A female stork has captured Stjepan Vokic's heart. For 24 years the retired janitor has dedicated himself to caring for the stork Malena, who after being injured by a bullet can no longer fly. The trust between man and wildlife is so steadfast that in autumn when Malena's male stork Klepetan flies south, she stays at home with Stjepan. The film tells a story of a unique friendship between man and animal; of selfless caring and boundless devotion.


**Suivre la Dordogne**

HD

- > 2 x 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > 2017
- > Prounen Film, arte

The Dordogne – a stream of crystal, blue that flows between the volcanoes of Massif Central and Europe's largest river delta, the Gironde estuary. The landscape and the atmosphere of this region have undergone extreme and dramatic change – what was once harsh and rugged has become overwhelmingly charming and rich in delights. The film features encounters with the people who have shaped the region into what it is today. It is an expedition of discovery through the caves of the Stone Age, the divine rocky plateaus and many other provinces for which this river was once the hub.



**Fascination Festivals**

HD

› 5 x 52' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) › Release: May 2017  
 › smac media, Autentic

This five-part series explores one of the most colourful wonders at present that brings people together: festivals. What does it entail organizing and managing a festival for over 200.000 visitors? What's it like to be in the middle of one of the biggest festivals in Europe? The series will give answers to these questions and show you how easy it is to make new friends and let loose. Come accompany the festival-goers on their once in a lifetime experience.



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**In the Name of the Dead**

HD

› 3 x 45' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs)  
 › 2017  
 › Story House, WDR

Forensic scientists – they are the specialists who, with permission from the police, conduct the investigations with the evidence from a crime scene to track and apprehend criminals. Miniscule skin cells, blood distribution and even the maggots found at a gruesome crime scene can be probed, examined and studied to acquire evidence that can help the victims achieve justice. The dead may not be able to speak, but their remains say more than enough. It's the job of the trackers, analysts and scientists to listen.

Episodes: 1. The Profile of Evil, 2. The Gene-Hunters, 3. Advocates of the Dead



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### Grand Tour de Suisse

HD

> 3 x 45' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG subs) > 2017  
> doc.station, ZDF, arte, SRF

These road movies show the enormous variety of Switzerland's landscapes, the country's most beautiful corners and its residents. On the *Grand Tour de Suisse*, we drive past palms in the South, snow in the Alps and crystalline lakes and untamed rivers in the hinterlands. The people are just as diverse as the many regions but they are bound by their motto 'unity through diversity'. This is a stocktaking of a nation and its contemporary inhabitants.



### At the Back of Beyond

HD

> 5 x 30' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG subs) > 2017  
> Lona Media, ZDF, arte

*At the Back of Beyond* features various provinces that lay on the edge of civilisation. The dramatic landscapes illustrate provenance as the film illustrates the spirituality of long forgotten regions. With his camera, photographer Florian Wagner captures the mysticism of the areas, creating the building blocks of the film. It is a travel report with spectacular pictures of the landscape and rare moments that depict the atmosphere of the different 'beyonds'.

### Pomegranate & Chestnuts

HD

> 4 x 30' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)  
> 2017  
> doc.station, ZDF, arte

In *Pomegranate and Chestnuts*, we introduce heirloom fruit and vegetable varieties with interesting provenance and regional significances. Four types of vegetation guide us through the seasons in four very different regions of cultivation in Europe. The series presents succulent portraits of rare vegetables, their histories and their origins. Many of the plantations for these vegetables are in bad shape. We show the people with the passion and commitment to preserve these fruit and vegetable diversities.





**Highway to the Arctic – Canada’s Ice Roads**

HD

- > 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > 2016
- > Kick Film, SR, arte

Every winter, ice roads are built across hundreds of miles in Canada’s far north, connecting frozen rivers and lakes, and stretching up to the very northern tip of the country by the Arctic Ocean. For the people living in secluded villages these “ice highways” are vital for the transport of goods for the entire year. The ice roads make it easier to reach remote hunting grounds and are at times, the meeting point for fairs that celebrate life and culture. Canada’s ice roads connect these people to each other.

**Tree House Masters**

HD

- > 10 x 30' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs)
- > 2017
- > city media tv, Autentic

Tree houses are not only the long-term fulfilment of childhood dreams they have now become a global trend. In our highly technological world, there is a growing need for proximity to nature and sustainability on all continents. The constructors are by no means only romantic handymen, more and more star architects are also striving to create house designs which incorporate trees as the foundation. We travel around the globe to find the most exciting and unusual tree houses. Experience the Korowai-houses in Papua New Guinea or visit some luxurious constructions in France or Switzerland where they even built hotels, restaurants and champagne-bars in the heights of the treetops.



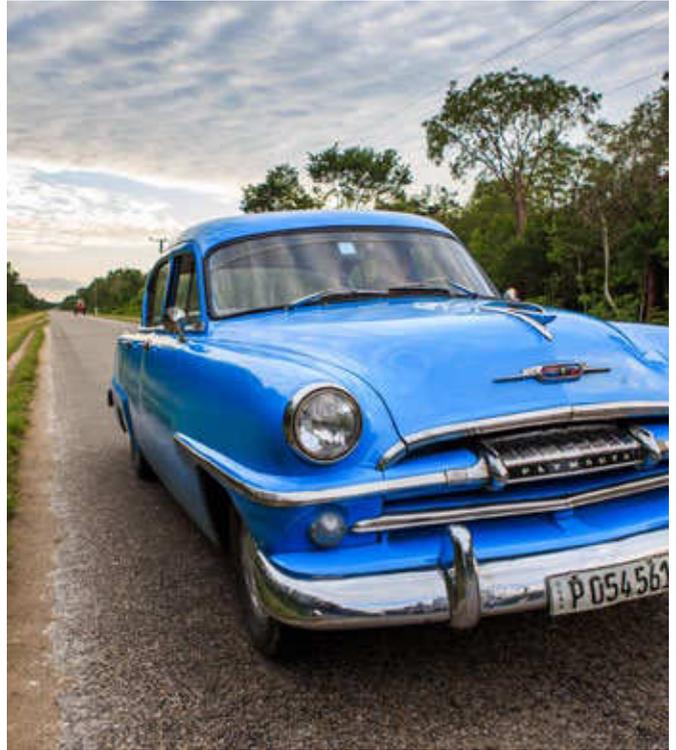


## Cuba To Go

HD

- > 2 x 52' (ENG)
- > 2017
- > Avanti Media

Ever since the embargo was relaxed in the summer of 2015, Cuba's popularity has been steadily increasing. The largest island in the Caribbean is becoming a tourist attraction with its touching history and vital culture. Opening to the West has presented opportunities and risks to the country that was seemingly frozen in time. This two-part-documentary shows the drastic changes the island has undergone and rejoices the rise of Cuba based on the stories of its inhabitants. It shows their hopes and dreams that could not have been possible until recently. Follow us to this hot spot with its beautiful sites, rousing mentality and those beautiful old cars!



## My House is a Boat

HD

- > 5 x 50' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) > 2017
- > Die Herren Fernsehen, Autentic

Houseboats have always been associated with old shellbacks and young freaks. But today, families as well as upstanding individuals are voicing strong desires to live on the water – they want to be able to cast their anchor wherever they feel like it. This new life-style is growing and trending in many cities around the globe. Plus, houseboats designs are limitless- they could be angular or round, made of wooden, glass or steel elements in an antique or a modern design. With a houseboat, the possibilities are endless!



## NZZ Format

HD

- › 30' (GER, ENG subs)
- long running series
- › 2012 – 2017
- › NZZ

*NZZ Format*, the TV programme of the oldest Swiss newspaper, is now a vital source of quality on-screen journalism. Their portfolio includes reports on topics and documentaries concerning socio-politics, economy and science and the cultural, social, and technical challenges of society. *NZZ Format* orientates itself on international receptivity and relevance and has created a programme that delivers exceptional work.

## The World in 30 Minutes

HD

- › 30' (GER, ENG subs)
- long running series
- › 2017
- › WDR

Around the world, but still close to the people. Our long running series *The World in 30 Minutes* provides modern reports about current affairs. This year we will once again tell stories from all parts of the world: Follow Laura of Arabia – the only female Falkner in the Arab Emirates in her quest to conquer this male dominated sport. Or Donya who will spend a day with the trash collectors; meet Sumi, a thirteen year old Bangladeshi girl, whose life has totally changed since she has started to surf. Follow our protagonists and watch as they overcome obstacles and drawbacks leading to big and small adventures that open their minds.

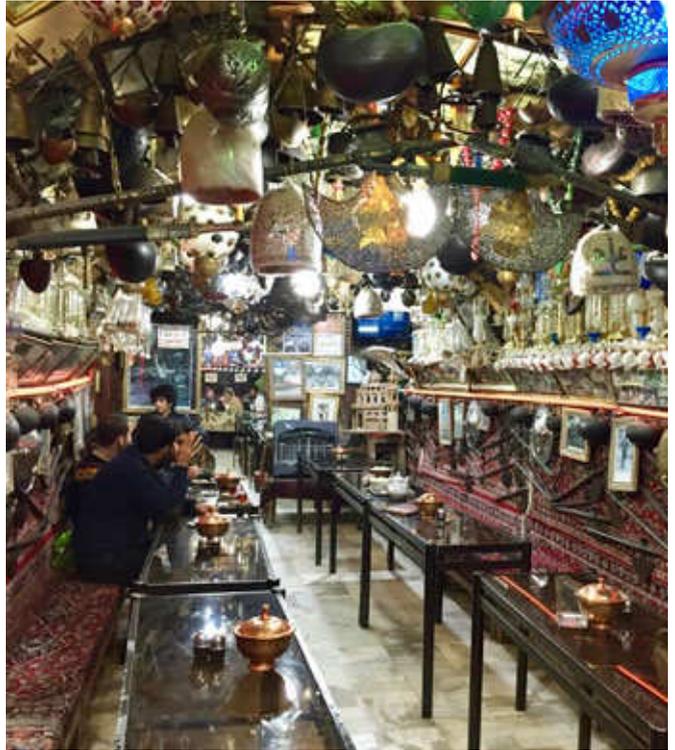


## Amazing Iran: Isfahan & Turkmenish Steppe Lands

HD

- > 2 x 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > Release: August 2017
- > Autentic, Irib, ZDF, arte

Amazing Iran departs from the world of religion and politics to take a new look at the natural beauty of Iran. The two part film features the blue pearl of Iran – Isfahan and the region with the most impressive landscapes – Turkmenistan in tribute to the hidden that is Iran. The breathtaking scenery creates a mysticism that transports viewers into the realm of divinity. The film focuses on proud nations with majestic histories. With enthralling pictures, intimate portraits and true to life daily accounts, we uncover the spirit of the country.

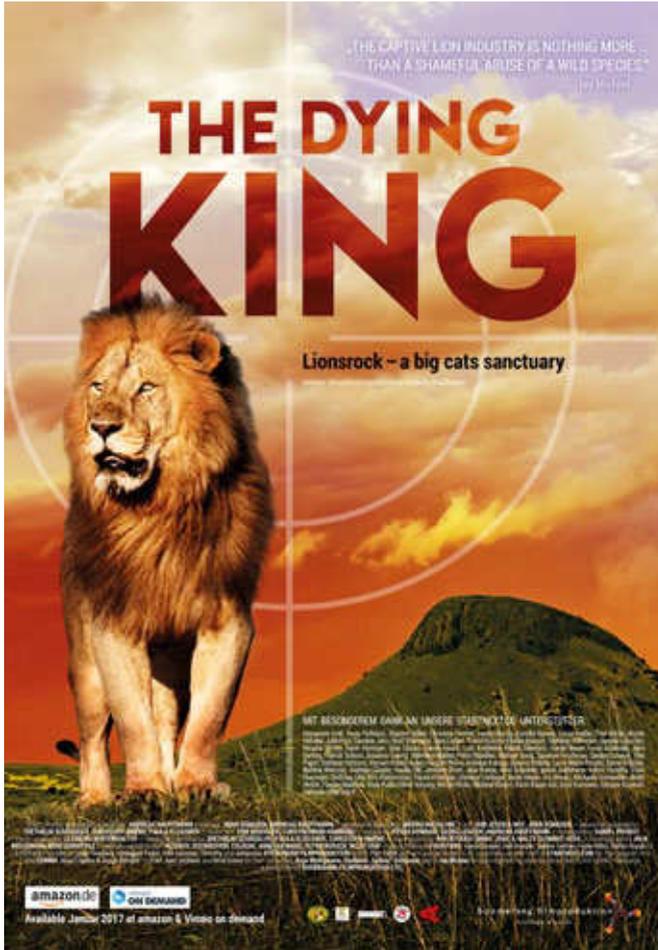


## Asia – Secret Lives, Hidden Places II

HD

- > 5 x 45' (ENG, GER, FRE) > Release: December 2017
- > Eikon, NDR, arte, Autentic

Follow us into the unfamiliar and fascinating lands in Asia. Opulent images allow us to experience the unique beauty of nature and the stories of people and animals who live in a world that has remained untouched. In the second part of our series, we also lead the viewer into paradisaal places far away from our civilised world. Enormous areas of wild, breath-taking beauty entice and allure. The parks covered are in China, Indonesia, India, Malaysia and Vietnam. Each of them has its own particular gems, whether above or below the water.



**The Dying King**

4K

> 60' (ENG, GER) > 2017 > Boomerang Film

In the open wilderness of Africa, there are only 20,000 lions living a free life. In the last decade, humans have killed hundreds of thousands – mostly for purely hunting purposes. In recent years, canned hunting, where animals are bred for 4–5 years then released into a confined area, then killed for sport has become the trend. The trophy is the corpse of the dead lion. This documentary describes the still legal industry of lion-killing in South Africa and delves into the work of

the animal preservationists of Lionsrock. Lionsrock, which was created as refuge to these big cats, is led by the global animal protection organization Four Paws. The animals that take refuge in this sanctuary have usually escaped captivity in zoos, circuses or private holdings, where they have lived in terrible conditions. Four Paws have since 2007 saved the lives of many lions and still do so today.



## Iceland – On Top of the World

4K

- > 52' (ENG, GER)
- > 2016
- > rk-film

Iceland a unique land with an incomparable landscape and pleasantly euphoric inhabitants. This documentary is a scenic expedition through majestic volcanoes, seething geysers, powerful waterfalls, threatening fjords and almighty glaciers. Hardly any other country offers such a variety of spectacular forces of nature! We will give you an insight on how it can be that the people of a small, distant island with only a fraction of sunlight in some months are happier than the people in more sun-blessed countries.



## Russia's Horses

HD

- > 5 x 52' (ENG)
- 5 x 45' (GER, FRE)
- > 2017
- > Arcadia Filmproduktion,  
doc.station, arte

“People are reflected in their horses” is an old Russian proverb, that still finds great value in today’s Russian culture. But what exactly is meant by this saying? Fact is: Russia’s horses are not like the ones from Western Europe: though seemingly plain, they are tough, tenacious, undemanding, and obedient. But is that also true of the Russians? What do we know about them and their lifestyle? As we travel into the most remote areas of Russia meeting the locals, we learn what connects the people to their beloved horses.





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SCIENCE . TECHNOLOGY

**Cyborgs: Human Machines** HD

- › 45' (ENG, GER)
- › 2017
- › Hoferichter & Jacobs, SWR, WDR

Over the past few years, technology has attracted more and more people, making life quicker and easier. Some people are now taking the next step: they are fusing their bodies with technology to increase their abilities and expand their senses – real life cyborgs. They inject magnets into the fingers, with which they are able to sense electromagnetic fields, plant chips under the skin to open doors, implant devices into the skull with which they sharpen their senses. These people, who seem like a bunch of nerds, could be the pioneers of our technical future. Who are these people? And what drives them?



**Black Holes: Messages from the Edge of the Universe** HD

- › 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- › 2017
- › Hoferichter & Jacobs, RBB, arte

It is the birth of neutrino astronomy. For the first time, astrophysicists have detected traces of extra-terrestrial neutrinos in the ice of the South Pole. Neutrinos are the most common and also most mysterious elementary particles and as these particles are invisible to us, their mass is unknown. Also, they are not electrically charged, and rarely interact with other matter. But each of the tiny neutrinos is a potential messenger with information about its origin. Many discoveries in astrophysics have extended our idea of the cosmos, but the core questions of science remain unanswered: how did the universe come to be? What keeps our world together? The extra-galactic neutrinos are keys to answering these questions.





## The Proteom Code – In Search of Immortality

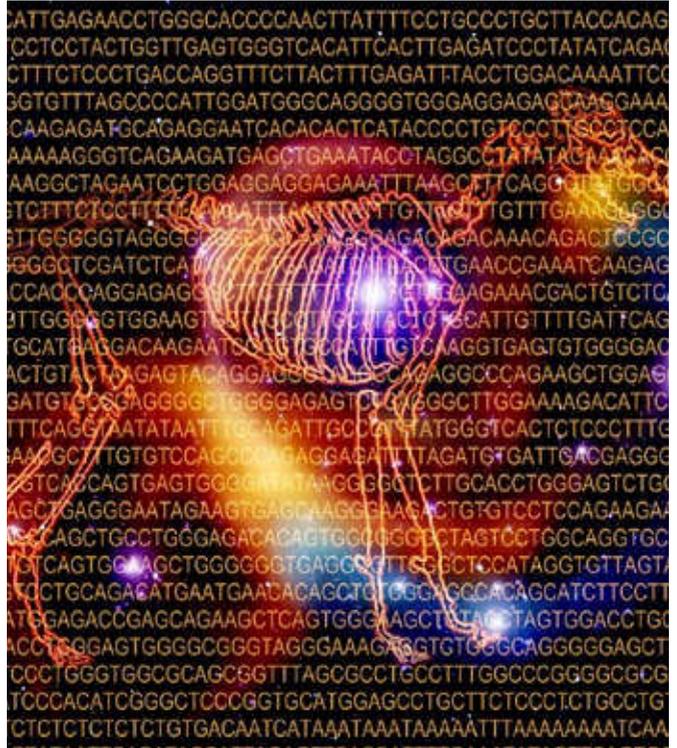
HD

> 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)

> Release: June 2017

> Prounen Film, EPO Film, arte

When Craig Venter, the star of genome technology, joins forces with Apple and Google, in an investment, you know it's something big! Theoretically, if we could decode the complex CODE of proteins, human beings would be protected from damage and become immortal. Humans would replace machines. But would this be a desirable effect? Our entire ethical and cultural anthropology would dissolve into nothing as this hypothesis divides the history of humanity into before and after this venture.



## Follow Your Cat

HD

> 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)

> 2016

> Hoferichter & Jacobs, MDR, arte

Do you know your cat? When she is not purring on your living room sofa – do you know where she roams? Do you know where she wanders off once she leaves the premises? No? Well, would you like to? Follow us while we follow cats on their hunting grounds for mice and birds. Experience the double life of your domestic tiger... she will lead you on adventures that you never thought were possible. With a behavioural scientist that specializes in cats and modern technology we follow the cat on their wanderings into the wild. She maps their routes, unveils their secret favourite places, chronicles their territorial conquests, and shows us the entertaining habits of this enigmatic creature.





**European Inventor Award 2017**

HD

▶ 15 x 6' (ENG, GER, FRE, ITA, POR) ▶ Release: May 2017 ▶ European Patent Office, Bilderfest

Come and be inspired by new and innovative ideas that will advance the future and join us in celebrating the spirit of invention! Each year the European Inventor Award is bestowed upon some lucky inventor by the European Patent Office. Fifteen individuals and teams with ground-breaking inventions give answers

to the challenges of our time and thus contribute to social progress, economic growth and prosperity. This year's award ceremony will take place in Venice on 15 June. For each one of the fifteen nominees, the European Patent Office produced a short film of high journalistic and visual quality.



### 3D – Printing the Future

HD

- > 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)
- > 2016
- > Sagamedia, ZDF, arte

Scientists are cracking the riddle on how to build science fiction's ultimate machine: a small box that can produce any desired object, at the touch of a button. Our film follows the quest of scientists and researchers around the globe, who are striving to make this vision of the "next industrial revolution" a reality. How is 3D printing changing the world and our lives? Our thought-provoking documentary follows the pioneers of 3D printing in their quest to change our lives, layer by layer.



### Creating a Garden of Eden

HD

- > 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016
- > Die Herren Fernsehen, Autentic

It is a paradise, preserved under delicate glass, the most magnificent place ever to make it out of the world of ideas. A small greenhouse created to mimic a tropical environment, to recreate a surrounding in which fruits and fish native to the tropics can be harvested and bred – a home away from home! The creators are especially proud of their success in breeding papayas and tomatoes, they nurture and care dearly for their plants. They even farm fish indigenous to regions across the oceans. Exotic food – grown in the own backyard – mundane but also sustainable. They have created a modern day Garden of Eden!



### Vermin – The Meat of the Future?!

HD

› 50' (GER, ENG subs) › 2016 › Die Herren Fernsehen, Autentic

Many vermin are deemed edible by many people of the world. For the daring traveller in Asia and some poor countries, eating vermin is the new trend. Now many nutritionists believe vermin to be the solution for a high protein diet without the side effects of meat. In Chinese medicine, they are used to cure cancer and an insect farm has already opened up in the Netherlands. But is it really healthy to eat these critters from the underbelly of the earth? What do scientists have to say about vermin as the food of the future?



### Behind the Scenes – Fascination Airports

HD

› 3 x 45' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2016 › WDR, Spiegel TV

Each airport is like a whole different universe – with millions of people working 24/7 to keep the business running because even a tiny mistake can cost a fortune or risk people's lives. With enormous shopping centres and high end boutiques, restaurants and bars, lounges and entertainment areas airports are like self-contained miniature worlds. On average, circa 20,000 people work in airports, many of whom cannot imagine working anywhere else. The three part series, Fascination Airports, is a trip behind the scenes.

### Fascia: Secrets Under the Skin

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)  
› Release: October 2017  
› doc.station, ZDF, arte

Our science documentary on fascia – a sheet of connective tissues under the skin – focuses on state-of-the-art international research. Nowadays, these white fibres are considered the cause of disease and pain – but also as a wondrous source of healing. Fascinating images let us delve into the virtually unknown cosmos of the body and elaborate animations and computer graphics shed light on the connection between the fascia and one of our most widespread ailments: back pain. In our film, internationally renowned scientists answer long-unanswered questions while offering insights into cutting-edge fascia research.



**SPORTS . ADVENTURE****Trails in the World****4K**

- > 6 x 60' (ENG, ESP)
- > 2017
- > Orange Productions, RTVE

We go along different trails around the planet – but we will not take the easy road. Hiking and biking will help us to discover spectacular places and unknown land-sites from the Inca Trail in Peru through Spain's Extremadura to the Way of St. James in Norway. We get to meet the local population, drink and eat the regional food and take part in fiestas and traditions. But we will also look for spaces to relax and visit the cultural sites. Travel through waterfalls and gorges to amazing peaks and cosy shelters. You will enjoy the trip – the active way!



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**The Death Climb****HD**

- > 45' (GER, ENG subs)
- > 2016
- > WDR, Pinguin Film

Mario, owner of an outdoor store in Berlin, sought to guide normal people on a hike up the Broad peak in Pakistan. Extreme sport enthusiast and photographer, Mike planned an expedition to Mount Mckinley in Alaska. For both, the climbs were supposed to be dream expeditions; however, instead they were both confronted with the death of a close comrade. With dramatic takes from the mountains and intensive interviews, the film shows their struggle to deal with feelings of guilt and responsibility.

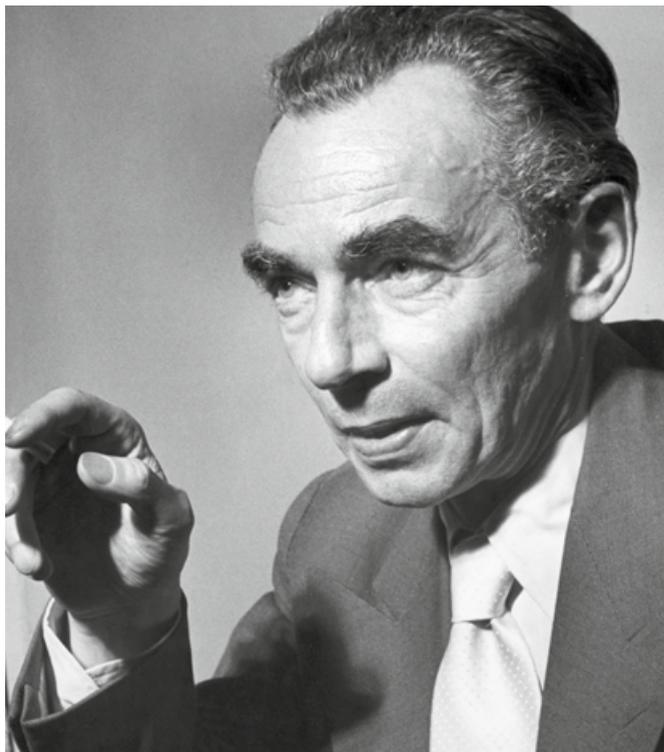
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## PORTRAITS

**Erich Kästner –  
The Other Face**

HD

- › 60' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › Gebrüder Beetz, WDR, NDR, arte, nordmedia

In whichever manner you would want to describe the Dresden native, Erich Kästner, you would find it difficult to pigeonhole him. This is what makes Kästner, the individual, so exciting and Kästner, the author, so complex. His work is multidimensional and a source for a wealth of valuable insights into the man himself and the Germany of his time. Kästner, whose novels have been translated into over 50 languages, is internationally renowned and consequently his novels have been exploited worldwide.

**A Touch of Cruelty**

HD

- › 50' (DUT, ENG subs)
- › 2015
- › Van Osch Films, RTV Utrecht

Jan Banning is one of the most famous documentary photographers in the Netherlands. His photographs have been exhibited all over the world and he has won numerous prizes for his work. In *A Touch of Cruelty*, director Frank van Osch travels around the world with Jan Banning, examining his approach and the impact his father's memories of war have had on his pictures. The result is a personal documentary about Banning's insecurities, struggles and passion and his eye for the 'underdogs of society'.

**Pop Art in Kolkata – New Art on the Ganges**

HD

- › 52' (ENG, GER)
- › 2015
- › Chitra-Lekha Sarkar Filmproduktion, SRF, 3sat

Dazzling Kolkata: in the Western world, the 14 million metropolis are only known for misery and poverty. But there is another side to the mega-city: the Kolkata of the artists, poets and intellectuals. The Swiss-Indian filmmaker Chitra-Lekha Sarkar's journey through the art scene of Kolkata leads her to young and upcoming as well as older established artists, who work in different fields like sculpture, textile, photography, painting, video and installation art.





**Max Beckmann**

HD

> 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2013 > Prounen Film, NDR, arte, 3sat

Max Beckmann is a German Modernist painter whose works are the most coveted today. This film draws on a considerable amount of new materials: diaries and letters that can be dramatized as a kind of personal disclosure. There are photos of him and film material shot by him. His many self-portraits can be used as a leitmotif to document his search for truth in a chronological way. And the film recalls his many places of residence in order to illustrate his turbulent life during turbulent times.



**Andreas Gursky – Long Shot Close Up**

HD

> 60' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2009 > Pars Media, BR, arte

This is a unique portrayal of artist Andreas Gursky and one of his most popular works, Hamm Bergwerk Ost. It follows the image's journey – from conception, to construction, to contraction and to reaction – until it found its home in a worthy collection, which holds many of its "siblings": the private collection of one of the wealthiest men in the Ukraine, Victor Pinchuk. Pinchuk later revealed his personal connection to the piece.



**T. C. Boyle – The Beauty of Addiction**

HD

> 52' (ENG, FRE, GER) > 2009 > Complete Pictures, BR, arte

The life of the American author TC Boyle was plagued by addiction since his birth. His parents were alcoholics and over the years he got to know various types of addiction personally. Some of these almost destroyed him; one addiction, however, made him what he is today: a superstar of the literary world, a professor of literature at the University of Southern California and an enigmatic character even outside of the office where he writes his novels. The secret: TC Boyle is addicted to writing.



**Heavenly Voices**

HD



> 52', 90' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2008  
> Tangram Lea & Lorenz Bauer, BR, arte, Beta Film

A portrait of three boys and their struggle to become members of the Regensburger Domspatzen. The oldest boys' choir in the world is, to this day, still seen as something special and the 60 boys in the choir live amazing lives. They lead normal lives except for the fact that their world includes absolute concentration, world trips and performances for the pope.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Bavarian Television Award 2009



## LIFESTYLE

## Bra Wars

HD

- > 60' (ENG)
- 90' (GER, FRE)
- > 2014
- > Herman Vaske's Emotional Network, ZDF, arte

FEATURE  
DOC

*Bra Wars* discovers the exciting interactions between Hollywood's dream factory and the item of clothing, which mainly shapes the image of females today, the bra. A bra is a phantasm, a promise of what is underneath. Hollywood's dream factory knew how to profit from this promise. They created individual lingerie for their movie goddesses and presented it publicly at its best. Divas became role models and the lingerie items became drafts for the mass production.

## Wine Dynasties

HD

> 4 x 30' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) > 2013 > Prounen Film, Rai Bozen

Take a look at the best wine cellars, the top winemakers and most unique restaurants all over Europe, where breathtaking landscapes meet tradition and regional culture in food and wine. How do tradition and innovation get along with success? We will meet families that belong to the most modern and innovative wine dynasties in the world in their stately homes and properties, castles, monasteries and Renaissance villas.

Also available as CLIPS (19 x 3', GER)



## World's Best Design Bars

HD

> 8 x 30' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG) > 2011 (S1), 2013 (S2)  
> Prounen Film, ZDF, SR, arte

Bars have become a challenge for famous architects and designers. They have turned into architectural points of interest, with designers worldwide competing to create the best unconventional space that reflects city-lifestyle. Every detail is well thought-out! This series takes a close look on these temples of modern design.

Also available as CLIPS (35 x 3', ENG, GER)





## ARCHITECTURE

## Concrete Love – The Böhm Family

HD

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DOC**

› 60', 90' (GER, ENG subs)  
› 2015  
› Lichtblick, 2:1 Film,  
WDR, BR

Gottfried Böhm is regarded as Germany's preeminent architect. His father, wife and three sons are all architects as well. Gottfried, now 94, still contributes daily to current planning and construction projects. Professional collaboration within the family appears to be an equally fertile and fragile proposition. The film paints an intimate and pointed portrait of the complexity and inseparability of life, love, faith, art and architecture.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** DOK Leipzig 2014 – Documentary Award of the Goethe-Institut, Max-Ophüls-Prize Festival Saarbrücken 2015, Solothurn 2015, Slamdance 2015, Dallas 2015, Berlinale 2015, Gold Panda Award 2015 "Best International Director" – International Sichuan TV Festival Chengdu (China)



## Samurai Architect Tadao Ando

HD

› 52' (GER, JAP, ENG subs), 75' (JAP) › 2016 › NHK/NEP, Autentic

The spotlight is on the award winning Japanese architect, Tadao Ando, for his refined and minimalistic designs. The understated creations of the 72-year-old former boxer and self-taught architect are stark contrasts to his take-charge personality, sharp tongue and unique sense of humor. So, from where does he draw his inspiration? This yearlong documentary will follow Ando, unveiling his creative process as well as the man behind the designs and special emphasis will be placed on his current challenge in China.



## China's Ballooning Cities

HD

› 45' (ENG, GER) › 2015 › Prounen Film, ZDF, 3sat

Megacities with no historical precedent are being created in Asia. Gigantic superstructures that defy even the ziggurats of the USA and surpass the volume and height of any building in Europe are being built. The so called Vertical Villages are decked-out miniature villages that rear into the sky 200 to 300 meters. They have never before been built or imagined – not even in our wildest dreams. We showcase eight projects in all, in the cities Chongqing, Behai, Shenzhen, Beijing, Shanghai, Ningbo and Wuhan.

**Visions for Megacities – The Asian Experiment**

HD

› 4 × 30' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2014–2015 › Pronoun Film, ZDF, arte

How will we live in the future? All serious architects and city planners with major projects attempt to influence the lifestyle of the future, but they have long given up the claim of being able to determine what the future holds. This documentary shows a future-orientated trans-media project in which the most competent experts in various fields speak about the future. Architects, city planners and sociologists are all part of the broader concept, each representing one major issue and an attempt to solve it with an associated concrete project.

**Car Parks – A New Design**

HD

› 3 × 30' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2009

› Pronoun Film, ZDF, arte

Car parks are an integral part of every modern city, but still architects often fail to incorporate urban design into it. In short: a revolution was necessary. This three-part series deals with the contemporary architecture with a focus on the topic of the cars. This includes underground and multi-storey car parks as well as the latest motor museums (Porsche) and flagship stores such as Citroen in Paris and Mercedes in Salzburg.

**PHILOSOPHY****Streetphilosophy (Season 1)**

HD

› 4 × 30' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) › 2016 › weltrecorder, arte

*Streetphilosophy* takes philosophical questions through the modern city. In a city like Berlin, which stands for individualism, everyone is looking for self-realization and self-affirmation. Plus, in a city where lifestyle is a guideline on how to live, everyone is asking: Who am I? In this documentary Jonas is looking for hotspots on the streets of Berlin, where philosophical questions may arouse.

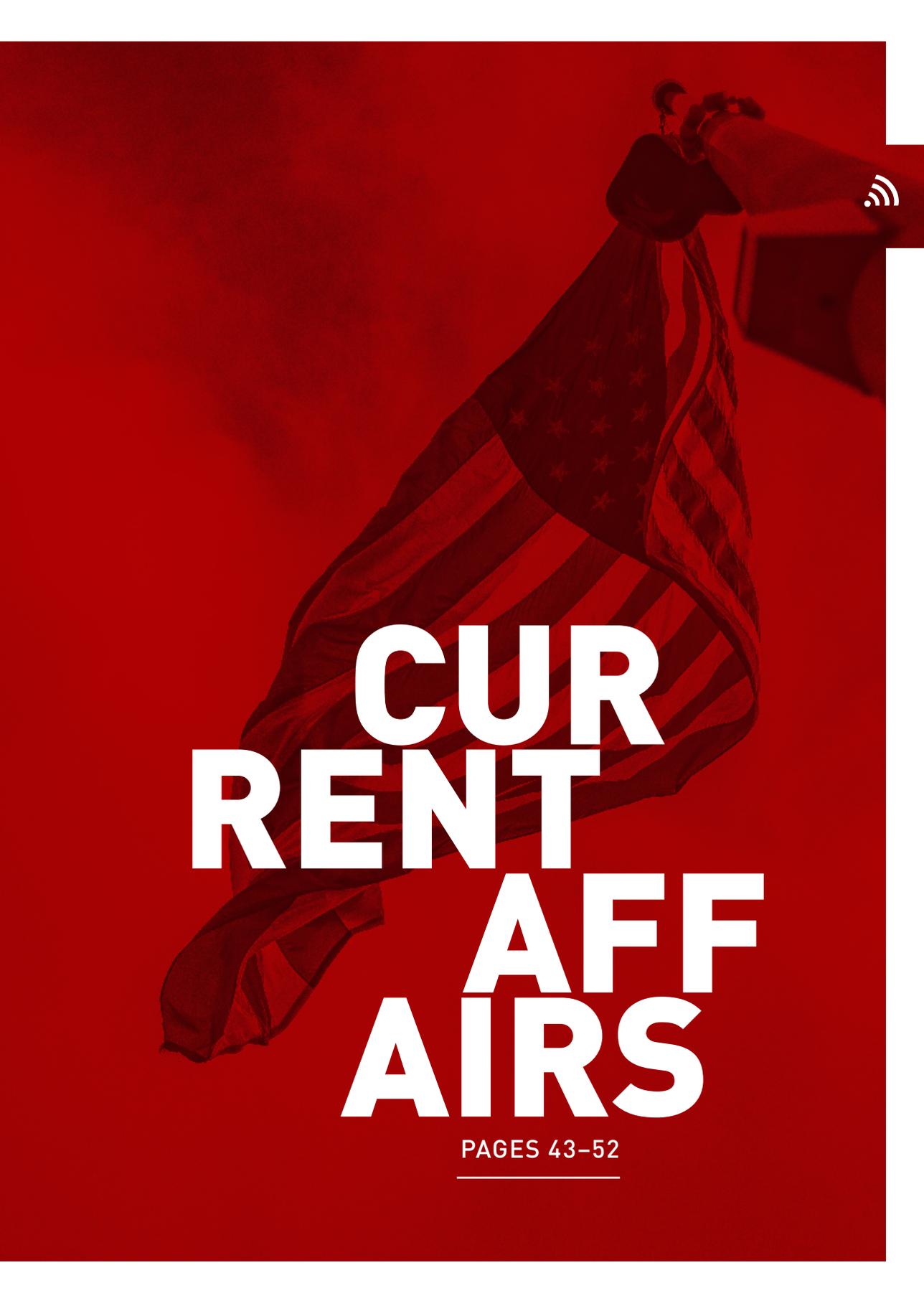
**In Search of the Self**

HD

› 3 × 30' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2016 › Theo Roos, ZDF, arte

From classical antiquity stemmed a veritable amount of worldly wisdom. In this series we will see how the works of Socrates, Seneca and other philosophers have translated into modern life. Nietzsche, who structured his life on the notion of being true to himself, had imbibed the teachings of this time. His principle – getting to know oneself – is the key to living an authentic life. In this series, we will encounter people, who have based their lives on philosophical ideas, who found their selves, love and happiness.



A hand in a dark sleeve holds a flagpole with an American flag against a solid red background. The flag is draped and appears to be blowing in the wind. The text 'CURRENT AFFAIRS' is overlaid in large white letters.

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### Last Chance for our Climate

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016 > Facts & Pictures Media, WDR

The polar caps and glaciers are melting. In parts of the world, floods are destroying the properties people have taken a lifetime to acquire while in other parts droughts are killing entire crops. Since the UN's Climate Change Conference in 2015, the nations of the world have decided to bond together for a common cause – to reduce our carbon footprint. This film takes us directly to the areas greatly affected by the climatic changes and invites a view into the future of life after climate-related damages.



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### Doping Top Secret – Series

HD

> 2 x 60', 2 x 30' (ENG, GER) > 2014–2016 > WDR

The revelation of state-sponsored doping by Russian and African athletes were the catalysts for the largest doping scandal in the history of athletics. Athletes and coaches have been penalized and the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) recommended a ban on the Russian athletics federation from the 2016 Olympics in Rio. After losing the appeal to the Paralympic Committee, Russia was banned completely, but the story is far from finished. Our experts will continue our search to uncover unethical behaviour in sports.

### King of Cocaland – UN Losing War on Drugs

HD

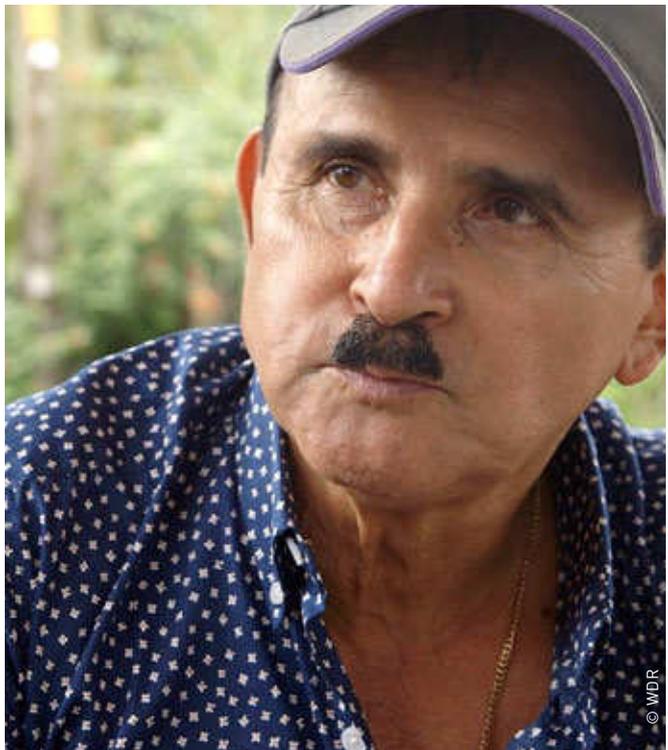
> 52' (ENG, ESP)

45' (GER)

> 2016

> AnaConda International Film, WDR

Despite the UN's seeming attempts at hindering cocaine production by subsidizing farmers of cocoa, coffee or palm oil, the cocaine plantations in Peru have still managed to become one of the world's largest sources of production. Why is that? Is this because the UN-companies that are supposedly fighting against cocaine production, when out of the spotlight, are the very ones responsible for the development of the cocaine industry? This accusation lies heavy and has led to internal investigations within the UN. Are the UN officials enriching themselves in the name of goodwill?



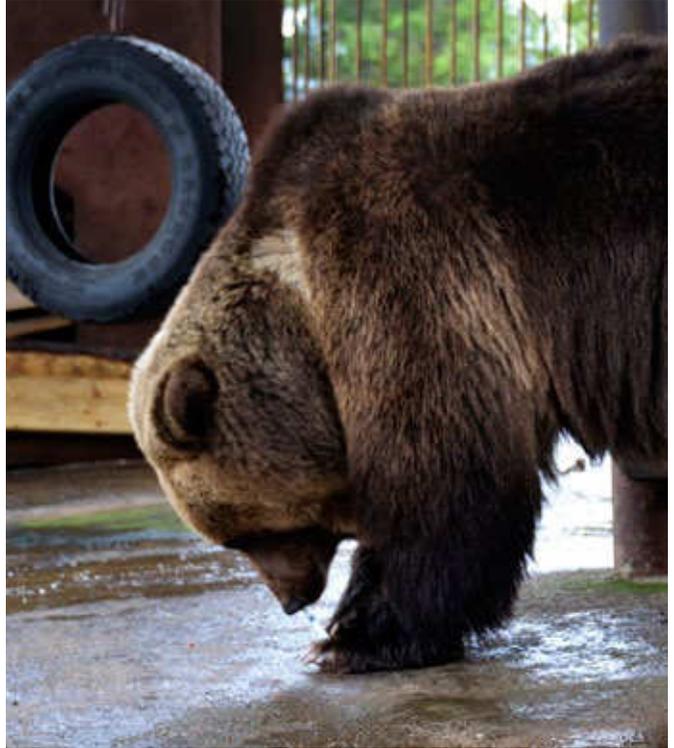
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## House of the Vodka Bears HD

- > 60' (ENG, GER)
- > 2016
- > Millstream Films, Autentic

After having to endure years of torture, abuse and ridicule, more than a dozen brown vodka bears are today being rehabilitated in a 43-hectar national park in Synevir, Ukraine. Before rehabilitation these bears, which were held in captivity for practically their entire lives, were forced to drink hard alcohol – often vodka – then made to wear skirts and dance or perform tricks to amuse visitors. Though many are far from being free, humankind has taken the first steps towards righting this wrong.



## Lethal Cargo HD

- > 2 x 60' (Ep 1 & 2)
- 2 x 45' (Ep 3 & 4) (ENG, GER)
- > 2015–2016
- > Millstream Films, Autentic

The Mediterranean Sea is crisscrossed by trafficking of every kind, some legal, others lethal. Over the last five years, we have been putting together the pieces of a tragic and terrifying story of the merchants of death. Lethal Cargo covers the fleeing of refugees from war regions in leaky boats, the spilling of toxic waste into the depths of the ocean during goods transportation and in our two most recent episodes, the illegal handling of drugs and weapon across the Mediterranean. Shockingly, the governments that should be trying to stem the tide of this illegal trades are the very ones involved in a tangled web of corruption!

Episodes: 1. Migrants, 2. Toxic Waste, 3. Drugs, 4. Weapons





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**POLITICS****The IS Network – Terror in Europe**

HD

- › 45' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2016
- › WDR, NDR

Detectives are still puzzled by the last words of the alleged master-mind behind the terrorist attacks in Paris, Abdelhamid Abaaoud. Two days before his death, Abaaoud uttered the words that have long since sent shivers through the people of Europe. His words "many more terrorists have infiltrated Europe – and are ready to attack" have left a string of hysteria in its wake while Europeans ponder the validity of his statements. If these words were true – where are these men? And better yet, what are they planning?

**Wolfgang Schäuble – Facing the Euro Crisis**

HD

- › 45' (ENG, GER)
- › 2015
- › ECO Media, SWR

As a convinced European politician, Wolfgang Schäuble is on a mission to save the Euro. Take a close look over the shoulder of Germany's minister of finance dashing through Europe negotiating the renunciation of a Greek bankrupt. In the international media often compared to a Nazi, this film gives insights to Wolfgang Schäuble's thoughts and efforts to manage this critical challenge for the Eurozone.

**Putin's People – What Do the Russians Want?**

HD

- › 60' (GER, ENG subs)
- › 2015
- › WDR

The oil price is dropping, the rouble is losing its value, the Russian economy is running into difficulties and their foreign policies baffle the West. The political mood towards Europe and America is becoming more aggressive and more patriotic. Russia is in a state of flux. Perhaps one of the greatest sea changes in this century. The documentary "Putin's People" therefore asks: how is Russia changing?



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## Chronicle of a Revolt – One Year Istanbul

HD

> 60', 90' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2015  
> Soilfilms, Pilavci Produktion, ZDF, arte



In 2013, thousands with varying political ideologies demonstrated against the destruction of the Gezi Park in Istanbul. What began as a protest against a construction project quickly turned into a protest against the Erdogan government. This film deals with the courage of Istanbul citizens who are fighting for a self-determined life. For Erdogan they are just scum.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Globale Filmfestival Berlin, Festival do Rio



## I am not Charlie

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2015  
> I-Ferrara, Zebra Production, WDR

What makes young people become radicals and murderers in the name of Allah? The cartoonists from the French magazine Charlie Hebdo were killed by young Muslims that grew up in France. There's a huge gap between the Moslem quarters of the "Banlieues" and the established French society. What are the reasons for this drifting apart? The film looks for answers in the Parisian suburb Evry just months after the horrible crime.



## Mothers Fighting Jihad

HD

> 52' (ENG), 45' (GER) > 2015 > Mediavilm

Islamic radical extremism is a threat that destabilises wide regions and endangers the world. This documentary focuses on the females who have lost their children, husbands or siblings. To prevent others from suffering the same fate, Edit Schlaffer, founder of "Women without borders", is building a network of "Mothers Schools" in Asia, Africa and Europe. A family-centred security platform that strengthens existing counter violent extremism approaches by engaging mothers as security allies.



## Jihad – War Without Borders

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014 > Propellerfilm, WDR

They talk of Jihad – the holy war and religious warriors calling themselves "brothers". Jihad is no longer just a problem in the Middle East. Jihad is spreading internationally and bringing with it a mass departure of young people from their homes to join a new 'family'. We accompany religious warriors from the Ukraine and Chechnya who are building a network to fight their enemies. How holy can a war be?



HUMAN INTEREST

Frontex: Mission in Greece

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016 > WDR

Who can stay? Who has to go? These are some of the questions to which the answers are the undertakings of the Frontex employees in Lesbos and Samos. Frontex, the European agency for the management of operational cooperation at the borders of the member states of the EU, is bombarded with many tasks relating to the rising number of refugees in Europe. Our team exposes their hardships by accompanying three police officers on their task in Greece.



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Under Suspicion – Young, Male, Moroccan

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016 > WDR

The events of New Year's Eve in Cologne left scars on the society: gatherings of young men from Tunisia, Libya, Algeria and Morocco are seen differently and more critically. This is a common situation in the Maghreb quarter in Düsseldorf, where the North Africans make up a large portion of the residents. Behind closed curtains, people talk about offenders coming from this area. And the residents are starting to feel watched: we are all under general suspicion.



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Operation Sea Watch: Last Minute Rescue

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2015 > Filme & Consorten, WDR

Thousands of refugees were dying at sea. So the founders of Sea Watch put together 100.000 Euro and bought an old fishing boat. They were jeered at for their efforts but remained resilient. Can the Sea Watch really save lives or is it just a signal for change? Join us as we accompany these courageous volunteers and witness how within a few days over 600 refugees are saved from certain death.



## Lesbos – The Price of Freedom

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2015 > WDR

Moments like these are the ones you will never forget: women, men and children stumbling onto the beach, falling to the ground in exhaustion. A boy cries unrestrained. We are at the beach in Lesbos, in the middle of the night. An inflatable boat, which is constructed to accommodate 30 but is overloaded with 60 refugees, docks onto the beach. We accompany Bita and Khalil Kermani and witness how the refugee situation in Lesbos gets more intense. Their journey to freedom is far from over.

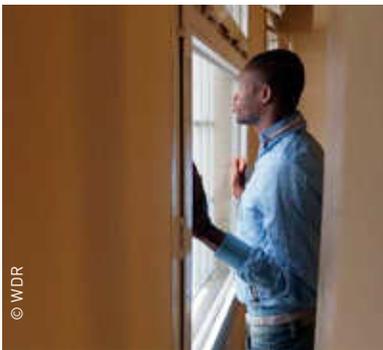


## The Future Starts Today

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2015 > WDR

Tenzin from Tibet, Ramadan from Somalia and Amir from Afghanistan have one thing in common: they had to flee from war and have been chased since they were teenagers. The boys had to leave their friends and families behind to survive. After they finally arrived in Munich, all of them were granted the opportunity of visiting the "Schlaue-Schule", a school for refugees. The principal, the teachers and social workers try to help young refugees get a degree and a better future.



## Refugees – Welcome or Deport?

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs), 30' (GER) > 2015  
> Facts and Pictures Media, WDR

Europe has experienced the greatest mass migration since World War II and the governments are unable to cope with the problems. In the Mediterranean, refugees are drowning because the legal paths to Europe are closed. For a long time experts have been searching for a way to save the lives being lost. This film examines the asylum and refugee policy and reports about the situations. Immigration could add value to our society; we just need to embrace it.



## Palace of Peace: A Refugee Ghetto in Rome

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014 > Lavafilm, WDR

The inhospitable concrete block in Rome is called the "Palazzo Selam": Palace of Peace – An ironic name for the former university building that is now being occupied by refugees. No camera team has ever been allowed to film here. But there are many stories to tell – because the hotel is the involuntary home of hundreds of refugees. Many have had to live for years in this refugee ghetto, shut off from the outside world, and have learned to take their lives and their survival into their own hands.

**(R)esistenza**

HD

› 60' (ITA, ENG subs) › 2012 › Francesco Cavaliere

Strong stories of civil resistance from Scampia: the infamous suburban district of Naples and described in Roberto Saviano's bestseller "Gomorrah". Scampia is an area controlled by the Camorra and considered Europe's biggest drug market. This documentary meets ordinary citizens in their daily struggle against organized crime, unemployment and social decay. Despite the hard conditions there's still room for hope and a smile while they try to make their neighbourhood a better place to live.

**Brave New Cooking – The Fear of Wheat, Milk & Co.**

HD

› 45' (GER, ENG subs)  
› 2015  
› Tangram, WDR

What on earth is egg-compensatory? Lactose, gluten or protein – nothing seems more dangerous than our food. The allergies caused by food additives are shooting up and the industries provide a surrogate for everything. Most people consume those products without even asking what is being surrogated. We are searching for the ingredients of vegan cheese and sausage. A lot of synthetics replace nature here. The package label reads itself like a chemistry handbook. So how can it be that so many people think this is healthier?

**Costa Concordia: The Whole Story**

HD

› 2 x 45' (ENG, GER), 52' (Update GER) › 2014  
› Millstream Films, Autentic

The catastrophic sinking of the Costa Concordia in January 2012 is one of the biggest shipwrecks since the Titanic. It is also one of the most complicated ship salvages ever. Using innovative filming techniques and equipment, we probed deep into how engineering and human error led to the disaster. Visiting 10 different countries to interview survivors, families of victims and shipping experts gave us raw materials to better reimagine the tragedy.





## Premium Brands at Minimum Wage

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014 > WDR

In April 2013, a textile factory in Bangladesh collapsed, burying over a thousand seamstresses under the rubble. It should have been obvious then that the working conditions of seamstresses are unacceptable. But discount brands as well as luxury brands exploit and have profited from these circumstances. This report shows how hard seamstresses have to toil for so-called luxury brands, and the role local politicians play in perpetuating the system.

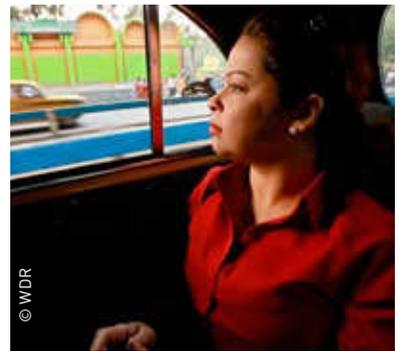


## Rape: Women's Fear in India

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014 > Christ Media, WDR

The gang rape and death of a student in New Delhi in 2012 triggered mass protests. In the world's largest democracy, girls are auctioned off to the highest bidder and then raped for months by the male relatives and friends of the buyer. The police are aware of what is happening but take no action. We accompany Suzette, who survived a gang rape and made the decision to speak out about an issue that is for the most part hushed up in India: the humiliation by policemen, doctors and judges in the aftermath of a rape.



## Birth Control – A Mortal Threat

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2015 > Filmfee, WDR

Generations of women view birth control pills as the approach to sexual freedom. But for Felicitas Rohrer, this little pill has brought nothing but misery. After taking a birth control pill for several months, the young woman was brought to the hospital with a double lung embolism. She did not have any pre-existing illnesses, was not obese and did not smoke. So what was the cause – Her doctors believe it to be the birth control pill. Surprisingly, the pill is still on the market. Why is that so?



## Abortion – A Human Right

HD

> 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2014 > TagTraum, WDR, arte

The success of the conservative parties in Europe has caused a major disruption in social order. By constantly debating abortion, these parties have effectively split the society between those who are for abortion and those against. The termination of pregnancies has once again a high brisance – emotional, social and forensic. This documentary shows the realities of women in Germany, France and Poland and the differing rules for abortion.



**SPECIAL PROJECT****dbate – Video Diaries**

HD

> 20 × 30' – 45' (ENG, GER) *to be continued* > 2014–2017  
> ECO Media

All around the world, ordinary people are apt to pull out their mobile phones and record short films. An increasing number of them place those videos on the internet. Eyewitnesses are thus becoming reporters. The internet is a giant melting pot for stories and human destinies. Our task is to find the best and most important recordings to hit the internet, interview their creators, check their credibility, clarify legal questions and compile *Video Diaries* from many individual items.





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## Grip – Beat the Speed

HD

› 394 x 45' (GER, 7 Eps ENG subs) *long-running series* › 2007 – 2017 › Focus TV, Burda Studios, RTL II

Pure motoring entertainment and driving fun without limits. *Grip* is cheekier, more contemporary, faster and above all, more entertaining than the competition. Speedy, high-resolution cameras record what is invisible to the naked eye. Edgy, contemporary music and fast editing techniques give the car magazine a top-

quality visual and aural presence. With 40 episodes a year, *Grip* has already introduced more than 120 new automobiles and made spectacular comparative tests with the most attractive new car models. New episodes!

## Survive Aotearoa

HD

› 13 × 52' (ENG, MAO) › 2013  
› Te Amokura Productions, Maori Television

The two hosts take on some of the harshest terrain in Aotearoa, New Zealand to demonstrate how the right skills, creative thinking and Māori knowledge can keep you alive. Its natural selection at its best – the judge, jury and challenger is the land itself. At the forefront of every scenario is the challenge to: *Survive Aotearoa!* There will be conflict, rivalry and many testing situations. These boys will have to utilise their individual cache of skills and work together to survive.



## Simply Delicious!

HD

› 24 × 30' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2014 – 2016  
› Talpa Germany, Schwartzkopff, WDR

Top chef Björn Freitag and his audience talk about all kinds of things whilst preparing a delicious meal – from lucky coincidences to uncanny mishaps – and the chef reveals a lot of secrets about his cuisine. Additionally “veggie blogger” Ralf reports about life without meat. The self-supporter met the top chef during his tour throughout the country and the two quickly became friends and colleagues.



## My Kind of Living!

HD

› 4 × 45' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2015 › ace 1 TV, WDR

A bedroom which incite dreams – how to realize low budget interior design projects by copying luxurious examples. In this series, interior design expert Emell Gök Che visits home owners and makes their wishes come true. The families get to choose a design that reflects their taste, style and lifestyle and the expert, with the help of some professional craftsmen, makes the offer to recreate their living space for a low low price. Close your eyes and imagine your perfect room. Now open your eyes – it's a dream come true.



## Zoo Stories

HD SD

› 40 × 45', 102 × 45' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2010, 2006  
› Encanto, WDR

Have you ever wondered about life in a zoo? This animal documentary series takes a look behind the scenes by accompanying the zoo keepers and vets on their daily tasks. It also gives viewers a glimpse of the vocational world and everyday life of a zoo. Join us on our visit to the beautiful “Loro-Park” in Tenerife, home to more than 350 different parrot species, dolphins, gorillas, penguins and many more animals. This series acts as a backstage pass to life in a zoo.



## Animal Emergency

HD

&gt; 7 x 30' (ENG) &gt; 2014 &gt; Moving Visuals

*Animal Emergency* is based on real characters and events. By following the daily happenings at animal clinics, where animals both large and small are cared for, the film blossoms into a heartwarming and at times heartbreaking tale of the pet world. Twenty-four hours a day, the veterinary specialists on duty deal with an interesting array of cases. Some are routine but there are those that are a matter of life or death. The reality is a flurry of emotional upheaval that demonstrates boundless love and affection for animals.



## Wildlife Nannies

HD

 > S I : 20 x 30' (ENG), S II: 22 & 2 x 30' (ENG, GER)  
 > 2007/2009 > Context TV

They dedicate their lives to helping orphaned animals. They open their hearts and homes to all the challenges of raising a young life – no matter how large or small. They are the Wildlife Nannies! At the heart of this down-home family series lies the work of animal specialists with their adopted animal babies. The show tells stories of “Wildlife Nannies” from across the world with the cutest and most heartwarming and entertaining tales.

## The Edge (Season 5)

HD

&gt; 13 x 30' (ENG) &gt; 2015 &gt; Recoil Creative Films, Wild TV

*The Edge* is a hunter's personal pursuit to push his limits to either conquer nature or face defeat. You're invited along to meet the wild people, to live their stories and connect to the untouched land of unspoiled nature. Here you will experience the remarkable things you never knew such a journey could entail. From stalking bighorn sheep in the Rockies to competing with the wolves for caribou in the high Arctic and having the occasional run-ins with massive moose in Newfoundland... if the challenge is there, so is *The Edge*.



## Fishcamp: Past the Pavement

HD

&gt; 13 x 30' (ENG) &gt; 2015 &gt; Recoil Creative Films, Wild TV

From navigating the eccentricities of 60-year old float planes to dealing with disruptive bears – and crankier cooks – crew boss Greg and his raft of seasonal employees have their jobs cut out for them! *Fishcamp: Past the Pavement* is a docu-reality series that takes us to two celebrated fishing lodges and the flying posts of Adventure Destination Internationals. It grants us a look behind the scenes to see what it takes to offer some of the best fishing experiences in the world.





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19TH CENTURY & BEFORE

Hamburg Port – Giant of the North

HD

- > 90' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)
- > 2016
- > Gruppe 5, NDR, arte



This is the story of one of the biggest harbours in the world, of the people living there, of their ideas and dreams. It is the story of merchants and pirates, of immigrants and soldiers. Traveling back to year 1189 and then continuing on to the present, this documentary describes the rise and fall of the Hanse, its development to a world harbour after the discovery of America and its rapid turnover of goods during the Industrial Revolution. With high-quality re-enactments, top experts' interviews, rarely-seen archive material and the latest on computer animations, the correlation of world history up to the present time will be explained.

FESTIVALS & AWARDS *Berlinale 2016*

St. Martin: The Real Martin of Tours

HD

- > 52' (ENG, GER, FRE), 45' (GER)
- > 2016
- > Tellux, Metafilm, BR, arte, ARD Alpha, ORF

Martin of Tours – a soldier, an ascetic, a philanthropist. Every year on the 11th of November, the lanterns remind European children of St. Martin. The legend surrounding his sharing of his cloak has shaped our image of him and has made him the epitome of altruism and benevolence. Hardly anyone knows his true story – who is the man behind the legend and what is left of him? Our documentary seeks to answer these questions.



Campus Galli – The Medieval Experience

4K



- > 52', 75' (ENG, GER)
- > 2016
- > rk-film

Hour after hour, day after day, month after month, in a forested area near Lake Constance, the Middle Ages are progressively being recreated. Craftsmen, helpers and volunteers are busy building a monastery without the modern tools of the 21st century. Rather than tractors with easy loading and unloading mechanisms, oxen are used to carry loads of stones. The woods are being chopped with an axe instead of a wood chipper and from the smithy you can hear the sound of an anvil. Welcome back to the Dark Ages!





**The Story of German Beer**

4K

> 52' (ENG), 45' (GER) > 2016 > TVNTV

Prince Luitpold of Bavaria: if Germany were still a monarchy, he would be the King of Bavaria. What does this have to do with beer? His Highness brewed one of the best beers in Bavaria. It's no wonder that he does, since it was one of his ancestors that introduced the Reinheitsgebot (German purity law) in 1516. The only ingredients permitted are hops, malt and water. 500 years of pure beer. This documentary looks at the history of beer starting with the Sumerians who invented it 5,000 years ago. Prost!



**The Vikings**

HD

> 5 x 45' (ENG, GER) > 2015 > Millstream Films, Autentic

They were bloodthirsty Scandinavian warriors and fine craftsmen. They opened trade routes, founded magnificent cities and captured ancient hubs. The Saxons of England feared them but mocked their meticulous grooming habits. In short, they were pirates with style. This series follows the Vikings everywhere they went, revealing new discoveries that turn Viking history on its head and telling their incredible story through the eyes of privileged witnesses and the foremost experts on Viking warfare and way of life.



**Viking Women**

HD

> 2 x 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)

2 x 45' (GER)

> 2014

> Gebrüder Beetz, NDR, fabelaktiv, Luckyday, arte, Servus TV, NRK, SVT, DR

The Vikings changed Europe forever, yet half of them have almost completely disappeared from our collective memory, especially the women. Quite unjustly so, as they played an important role in the world of the Vikings and performed extraordinary deeds: Viking women commanded ships and settled colonies. Exclusive interviews with experts from around the globe draw an authentic picture of the Viking world. High quality recreations with an international top-class cast will lead us to the early medieval world of the Vikings and revive this fascinating, long-lost era.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Silver Medal "Docudrama", New York Film Festivals, USA

**More Than Just Enemies**

4K

FEATURE  
DOC

&gt; 90', 2 x 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) &gt; 2014 &gt; pre tv, ORF, arte

17th century – The super powers are the Habsburg Empire and the Ottomans. We follow Prince Eugene of Savoy, a commander of the House of Austria and Emetullah Rabia Gülnuş Sultan, first concubine in the harem and later, as mother of two Sultans, Valide Sultan. Elaborate computer simulations and skilful re-enactments immerse viewers in the elegant, yet also brutal and merciless world of the Habsburg and the Ottoman Empire. This film is an expedition through the most complex time that Europe has ever experienced.

**THE GREAT WAR****The Red Baron – Manfred von Richthofen**

HD

&gt; 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) &gt; 2016 &gt; Moers Media, ZDF, arte

The documentary reveals the true story of the German flying ace, Manfred von Richthofen. With his good looks, aristocratic background and 80 combat victories in the Great War, Richthofen became the "Red Baron", a real media star and idol. But this legend is about to be exposed. A German Historian with access to the Richthofen family archives has found unpublished documents that show Manfred not as the knight of the sky, but a ruthless killer.

**Gallipoli 1915**

HD

&gt; 52' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2015 &gt; Millstream Films, Autentic

The six months of war fought on the Gallipoli peninsula was the culmination of months of British errors. The transfer of Imperial prejudices to military planning ended up costing thousands of lives and showed the incompetence of British generals. The Allies had managed to survive the fire power of machine guns in France, but were brought down by a few Turkish weapons on a largely undefended beach? This documentary tells the tragic story from both sides, with Turkish and British experts on location.

**Great Underground War**

HD

&gt; 5 x 45' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2014 &gt; Fact TV, Autentic

This fascinating 5-part series unearths the untold story about how the Great War went on underground. In this unique take on WW1, archaeologists of the British Durand Group meet up with German, Austrian and French historians and experts, who together explore actual WW1 tunnels – from the Italian Alps to the plains of Belgium. We will be featuring expert reconstructions, unique aerial drone footage of the fronts, and never-before seen images of tunnels and bunkers in Italy, Austria, France and Belgium.





## Vertigo Years

HD

> 3 x 45' (ENG, GER) > 2013  
> DOR FILM, ZDF, 3sat, ORF, Autentic

This TV documentary series tells the story of the period between 1900 and 1914 not as a sepia-tinted prelude to catastrophe, but as a time of phenomenal energy and rapid transformation. A social, creative and scientific explosion that would define the horizons of life in the West up to our day. Throughout the series particular attention will be paid to similarities, parallels and differences between then and now.



## WORLD WAR II

### Silent Saviours

HD

> 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)  
> 2016  
> Gebrüder Beetz, NDR, arte

After the invasion of the German army in 1940, the Jews living in France began their fight for survival. Of those in France, 75% survived the Holocaust. The film shows the circumstances surrounding the rescue of tens of thousands of Jews and the civilian resistance that produced the many Silent Saviours. This film might be the last chance to memorialize the stories of the rescued and their saviours – a never before filmed chapter of the intertwined history of Germany and France.



### My Daughter Anne Frank

HD

FEATURE DOC

> 90' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2014 > AVE, HR, rbb, WDR

This highly emotional docudrama tells the very personal story of Anne Frank as it has never before been told. Densely dramatized feature scenes, documentary and archive material, new and surprising interviews with her companions create the filmic elements that allow us to get the audience close to both Anne, the person and Anne, the figure head. Emotions that were embedded in the words of Anne's diary are recreated. We evoke her fears and dreams, love and longings, her vision of a possible future and the reality of a sudden end.

**The Mission of the Geniuses**

HD

**FEA  
TURE  
DOC**

> 2 x 52', 90' (ENG, GER, FRE) > 2013 > Prounen Film, Mythberg Films Hungary, Agenda Media, MDR, arte

In the beginning of the 20th century, Budapest stimulated the minds of six extraordinary young men from the Jewish middle-class. But after the first wave of anti-Semitism in Hungary in 1919, these men were suddenly torn from their free-thinking cocoon. Stigmatization and oppression drove them into exile but hope still thrived. On their quest for refuge, they cross borders and oceans, while preserving their intellects and philosophies.

**These Damned Hours in the Evening – The Whorehouse in the Concentration Camps**

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2012 > Makido Film, ORF, ZDF, 3sat

One of the most contemptuous crimes against humanity by the Nazis was forcing women in concentration camps to prostitute themselves. The women, who were made available to male inmates as a 'bonus' for hard work, mostly kept quiet about their ordeal after the war, out of shame. But shortly before her death, one victim tells her story in this film. It also features testimonies from some of the men involved, including the heartrending tale of a love affair in Auschwitz.

**Stalking Hitler's Generals**

HD

> 52' (ENG) > 2011 > Context TV, Storydoc, National Geographic

During World War II, Allied operatives went on secret missions to kill Adolph Hitler and his top officers, including Erwin Rommel. Allied Special Forces launched daring wartime missions to capture or kill Nazi generals where they were stationed on the front lines of war. This film captures the real-time drama felt as the Special Forces ordered these dangerous and complicated missions to exotic locations.

**Hitler's Secret Science**

HD

> 45' (ENG) > 2010 > Context TV, Science Channel

In World War II, Germany's most brilliant scientists had to race to create an arsenal of terrifying weapons of mass destruction. Before the war was over, they produced a series of technological firsts that were the basis for many modern day air and spacecraft. This doc reveals the circumstances scientists faced under Hitler, and tracks amazing technological innovations. It highlights major scientific disciplines and the inventions of Wernher von Braun or Werner Heisenberg, among others.



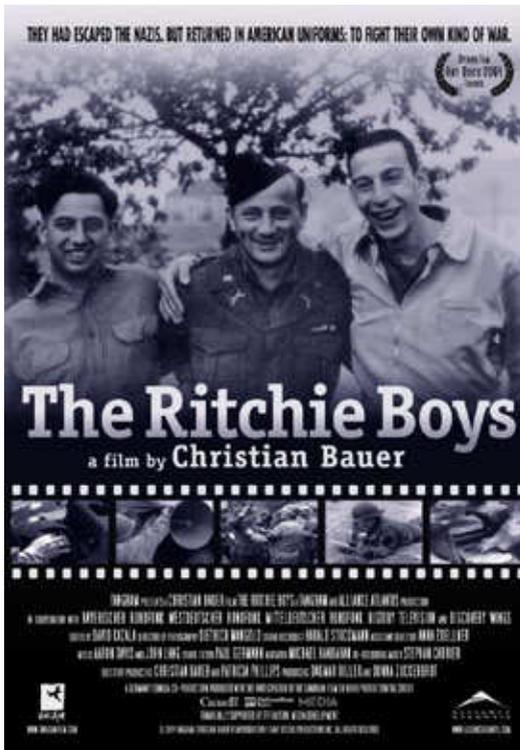


**Nazi Secret Weapons**

HD

> 52' (ENG) > 2010 > Context TV, National Geographic

Just prior to the end of WWII, the German military secretly undertook a massive push to design miracle weapons such as colossal tanks and the world's first guided missiles and long-range bombers that could attack New York. Now, nearly 60 years later, a team of experts examine the original blueprints to determine if these so-called Wunderwaffen, or "wonder weapons," could have changed the outcome of the war.



**The Ritchie Boys**

SD

**FEATURE DOC**

> 95' (ENG, GER)  
 > 2004  
 > Tangram Lea & Lorenz Bauer, Camp Ritchie Productions, Alliance Atlantis Production, BR, WDR, MDR, History Channel, Discovery Channel

They had escaped the Nazis and returned in American Uniforms. This is the story of a group of young men who fled Nazi Germany and returned to Europe as soldiers in US-uniforms. They knew the psychology and the language of the enemy better than anybody else. In Camp Ritchie, Maryland, they were trained in intelligence and psychological warfare. Not always courageous, but determined, bright, and inventive they fought their own kind of war. They saved lives. They were victors, not victims.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Jerusalem Municipality Prize 2005, Hot Docs Toronto 2004, IDA InFACT Los Angeles 2004, Calgary 2004, Leipzig 2004, Bergen 2004, Palm Springs 2005, Jerusalem 2005, Short-listed for the Academy Award 2005


**20TH CENTURY**
**Children of Dictators**

HD

**FEA  
TURE  
DOC**

- > 4 x 52'
- 90' (ENG, GER)
- > 2016
- > Spot Production, Autentic, MTVA

Imagine yourself as a child of a dictator with absolute power. Would history be able to change your mind about your father? Would facts effect your emotions? This 4-part-series brings a rarely seen personal perspective on history and offers a deeper understanding of the most feared leaders in the world while focussing on their children and relatives, namely Lucia Pinochet in Chile, Jaffar Amin in Uganda, Bettina Goering in Germany and Fidel Castro's daughter in Miami. How will they deal with the heritage that their fathers have left behind?


**Legends of Speed**

HD

- > 3 x 52' (ENG, GER)
- > 2015
- > Casei Media, n-tv



They are go-getters and tacticians, who are sensitive and ruthless. This best describes the characters of the men and women who constantly live life at its limits, knowing that every competition could be their very last one. With very personal interviews *Legends of Speed* not only describes the dramatic happenings on the race tracks, but also puts a spotlight on the fears and the courage of the drivers and their relatives. Niki Lauda, Ayrton Senna, Jackie Steward or Alain Prost: all of them deal differently with this extreme sport "Formula One". But they all have one thing in common: the will to win, to be faster than the rest – at nearly any cost.



## Franco's Legacy – Spain's Stolen Children

HD

› 52', 70' (ESP, FRE, ENG subs, GER subs) › 2016  
› Soilfilms, BR, arte



During Franco's dictatorship in Spain, many children, especially the offspring of those who opposed the political power, were robbed of a life with their parents. While some children were pronounced dead by unscrupulous doctors, others were forcibly given up for adoption. Even 20 years after Franco's death, forced adoptions were still being practiced. Due to a system run by politicians, doctors and members of the church, this practice was a lucrative business.



## Le Mans – Race of Death

HD

› 52' (GER, FRE) › 2011 › Prounen Film, ZDF, arte

Motor racing fascinates millions of people all over the world and the premier league of motor sport is Formula 1. Its icons were legends in their own time and are still revered today. They pushed their machines and themselves "to the limit" and became world champions. But a great number of these daredevils died on the race track or suffered devastating accidents. The documentary departs from everyday motor racing coverage to personal portraits by concentrating on a few greats and presenting them as individuals.

## Ship of Hope – Medicine for Vietnam

HD

› 52' (GER, ENG subs) › 2015 › Fokus Geschichte, Radio Bremen

US-President Lyndon B. Johnson urged Chancellor Ludwig Erhard to allow German participation in the Vietnam War. Germany refused the request of their ally and instead sent a hospital ship to Vietnam. The film tells the story of the MS Helgoland and the biggest humanitarian mission of Germany in a war zone. German doctors and nurses, who worked on board of the Helgoland, Vietnamese colleagues and former patients remember the war, dangers and fears, and most importantly the "White Ship of Hope".



## The Son Who Never Was

HD

› 60' (ENG), 45' (GER) › 2013 › WDR

This is the tragic story of a Polish man whose identity was assumed by a spy for the Polish secret service, who infiltrated West Germany's civil service, where he remained active for years. An extraordinary untold chapter of Cold War espionage, this documentary reveals how secret services in the Eastern Block systematically stole the identities of orphaned and abandoned children and used them to create aliases for their foreign agents.



### The End of Red October

HD

› 45' (ENG) › 2010 › Context TV, Discovery Channel

At the end of the Cold War, the Russian Navy, bereft of funds, abruptly decommissioned 100 nuclear powered submarines; leaving behind a massive nuclear waste disposal problem. Once the pride of the USSR, the Soviet's fleet of nuclear submarines now lies rusting in the remote fjords of Murmansk. In *The End of Red October*, a concerned team of engineers takes on the challenge of cleaning up this nuclear mess and laying this Cold War relic to rest.



### The Best of German Newsreels

HD

› 250 x 11' (GER) › 2014 › Cinecentrum, Autentic

The series is based on stock footage of the "German Weekly Review", from 1949 until 1970. It exposes the wishes and hopes of the German society: Their values and norms with regard to the cold war and development of society during the twenty years of German history. The illustrative and straightforward original commentary represents the unique and distinctive characteristics of the series. *The Best of German Newsreels* is a complex diary of the German nation which is surprising and touching and inspires a walk down memory lane.



## ART & ARCHITECTURE

### The Gaudí Code

HD

› 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) › 2015  
› Prounen Film, EPO Film Wien, Luki Media Spain, SR, arte, RTVE

La Sagrada Família: everything about this building is mysterious – even its construction. Experts are convinced that the architect Gaudí was a mathematical genius; every single embellishing ornament serves an architectural purpose. Unfolding the artist's geometric codes and investigating the complex myths that revolve around his life and work are central to this documentary.

### Venice – The Whole Story

HD

› 2 x 45' (ENG, GER) › 2015 › Millstream Films, Autentic

Venice is a sinking city; the uneven pressures on its buildings are opening cracks here and there; especially in one of the most famous architectural structures of the world, crossed by millions of tourists every year – the Rialto Bridge. Starting from the earliest history of the city, the documentary takes the viewer on a journey through the meandering canals, looking at fashion, culture and archaeology to see how the city was built and is to be saved.





## Colosseum: The Whole Story

HD

› 2 x 45' (ENG, GER) › 2015 › Millstream Films, Autentic

The Colosseum is the heart of Rome, and was once the centre of the greatest empire of the ancient world. Two thousand years after it was built, this iconic monument is in dire need of repair. This two-part series takes a unique glimpse behind the scenes of how the worlds of science, fashion, archaeology and culture are coming together for an epic renovation of one of the most popular monuments in the world.



## Chronicle of a Demolition

HD

› 60' (POR, ENG subs) › 2015 › Imagem Tempo

At the heart of Rio de Janeiro's downtown is an empty square with a dry fountain and an underground parking. There once stood the Monroe Palace that once housed the Senate. But for reasons unknown it was demolished forty years ago. This is a docu about a history of sabres and lions, military and architects, past and future with a strong visual construction, a wealth of archival footage and a soundtrack by Philip Glass.



## The Secret of the Mona Lisa

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2012 › Prounen Film, Epo Film Wien, D4 Rom, RTR, SR, arte, NDR, Rai Bozen

The Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci is one of the most famous paintings in the world. Her real name according to art history is "La Gioconda". For many years though, there have been doubts: why did Leonardo not hand the portrait on to the commissioner if it was a picture of his wife? What is the secret behind the "real" Mona Lisa? Who was she really? And why was even a Medici afraid of the true identity being revealed to his contemporaries and to Pope Leo X?



## The Angel Chronicles

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER, FRE), 5 x 30'(GER), 2 x 30' (GER) › 2014  
› Prounen Film, WDR, arte, Rai Südtirol

Everyone knows angels! But what are they in fact? Why do they have wings? Have they always had them? Have they always existed or is there any point of start in existence? Where did they come from? What are their names and why those? What is their mission? Has it always been the same? The series tells the "Story of Angels", by following emerging images, statues and frescos through all of the ages that formed their appearance until today.



**Aachen Cathedral**

HD

› 45' (GER, ENG subs) › 2014 › WDR, Steinfilm

Preparatory work on the most spectacular building of its time began more than 1,200 years ago. The contractor: Charles the Great, the first Emperor in the West after the collapse of the Roman Empire. He, the restless spirit, the wandering emperor who had moved from palace to palace for decades, wanted to build a seat of government. Consequently, he ordered the best master builders and craftsmen from the most distant corners of the world to come to Aachen.

**Cologne Cathedral**

HD

› 45' (GER, ENG subs), 30' (GER) › 2011 › WDR, Steinfilm

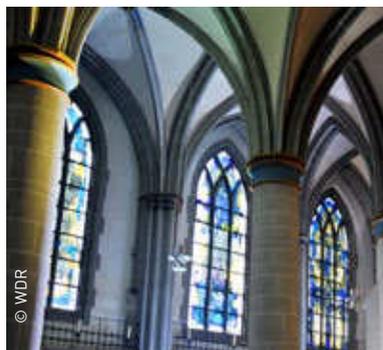
For many art historians, Cologne cathedral is the most Gothic of Gothic cathedrals, architecture par excellence. In 1880, when it was completed, the cathedral was the tallest building in the world. This documentary sets out to examine the public's fascination with this Gothic masterpiece using cinematic re-enactments and breathtaking imagery and animations. It tells its history, sets it in the context of an exciting era and ventures back in time to the century in which it was built.

**Essen Cathedral**

HD

› 45', 30' (GER) › 2010 › WDR, Steinfilm

Essen for Ruhr! At the origin of this success story is the cathedral in Essen, the nucleus of the city. The works at the sacral building started in the year 850 at the intersection of major trading routes – after establishing a foundation for religious women. The film *Essen Cathedral* is a mixture of classical documentary, scenic reconstructions and computer animation. From the devotional beginnings of the Ruhr region and the political rise, from the total collapse to the shimmering metropolis the movie spans over more than eleven centuries.

**The History of Death**

HD

› 4 x 30' (GER, FRE) › 2009

› Pronen Film, ZDF, arte, ZeLIG, Rai Bozen

Death is the one thing that challenges the perpetuity of our existence. Each epoch has risen to the challenge in trying to understand death. This series introduces us to famous cemeteries in Europe, one age at a time. The cemeteries are analysed and described as the most distinct testimonials of their eras. At the same time, other cemeteries and other manifestations of death are introduced, in order to show our constantly changing relationship with death.



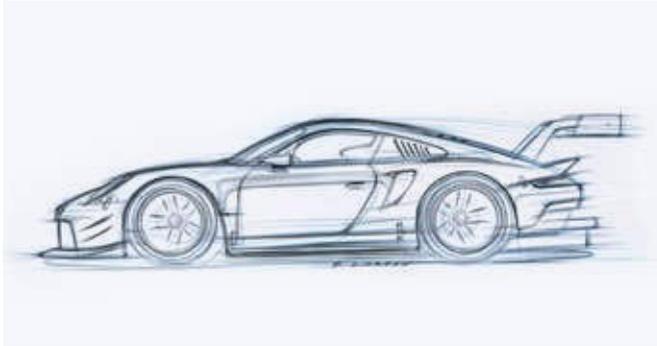


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### Porsche 911 Reloaded

HD

- > 52' (ENG)
- > 2016
- > Jump Medien, INFOkontor, n-tv

What is it that enralls Porsche lovers all over the world? For the second time, we dedicate ourselves to unearthing the reason for the hype surrounding the Porsche 911. The sleek design and shape of this highly popular sports car remains almost the same, but the interior has been totally redesigned to offer its owner more comfort, safety and horsepower! The documentary builds the bridge between the first 911 from 1963 and the new generation 911. This car is a legend, a collectable and a fine piece of art.

### The Porsche 911 Story

HD

- > 2 x 45' (ENG, GER)
- > 2011
- > Jump Medien

Since its launch in 1963, the Porsche 911 has been the most iconic sports car in the world. We show never before seen material from design studios to famous races. All over the world, collectors open their garages and tell anecdotes about how they got their "first one". Interwoven with statements from owners and fans, the creators and key managers will talk about the design challenges of each model series and the major development steps of the 911.



### High Tech Trucks

HD

- > 52' (ENG), 45' (GER)
- > 2016
- > INFOkontor, n-tv

With 500 horsepower and a weight of over 40 tons – to control and steer the mass of a giant truck is not an easy task! Nowadays, new high-tech trucks roam the highways boasting precise drivability, energy efficiency and all-round safety. Our documentary addresses the safety issues of truck driving and shows the development and construction of a new truck. We will journey through exciting glimpses inside the Swedish design-lab, the first home of the trucks and test their safety with spectacular crash tests.





## Driving Dreams

HD

> 52' (ENG, GER) > 2016 > Kid Dandy, Autentic

*Driving Dreams* is the only documentary on the golden age of Italian automotive design. From the production of the Cisitalia 202 in 1947 until automotive OEM created in-house design departments, Turin was the world capital of car design. The great Aldo Brovaron, who started his career in 1949 and the design directors of Pininfarina, Zagato and FCA are but a few of the world's best in automobile design. We will take you through the homes, offices and private museums of nineteen car collecting engineers to explore the world of cars.

## 100 Years of BMW – The Story

4K

> 52' (ENG)  
45' (GER)  
> 2016  
> TVNTV

The BMW i8, a hybrid sports car with gull-wing doors and a carbon fibre body, gives us a glimpse into the future of one of the world's biggest premium car manufacturer. The Bavarian Motor Works (BMW) started out in 1916 as a small producer of aircraft engines. Since then, the company's 100-year history has seen technological innovations, racing victories and also severe crises. The documentary shows exclusive films and documents from the founding years through to the present day – including the story of Elvis Presley's BMW, which has never before been shown.



## The Streamliner Case – Recreating the Mercedes 540K

HD

> 45' (ENG, GER) > 2015 > Casei Media

They are world-renown, much sought after and idolized by car fans. We are talking about the Mercedes-Benz 540K. Built in 1938, the unique prototype Streamliner marks a milestone in aerodynamics. With streamlined angled radiators and a flat driver's cab, it was far ahead of its time. Now Mercedes-Benz Classic has decided to resurrect the rare vehicle. The stage has been set – a test drive in Papenburg, where we'll see just what it can do.



## Heavy Lift

HD

> 3 x 45' (ENG, GER) > 2015 > Millstream Films, Autentic

How does a huge stadium roof, a cruise liner or a wind turbine get from one place to another? *Heavy Lift* tells the story of the engineers and mechanics behind some of the largest lifting and moving equipment in the world, without which some of the most impressive works of human construction simply would not work. These are stories of men and machine: teams of men who come together to make something big move, horizontally or vertically. Their machines are the largest, tallest, heaviest and most powerful in the world.



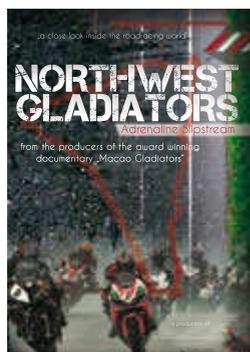
## Caracciola – The Ceaseless Quest for Victory

HD

> 100' (ENG, GER) > 2009 > Selkirk & Heimann, DAIMLER AG, Mercedes-Benz Classic

FEA  
TURE  
DOC

Hero, idol, legendary Silver Arrow pilot, only three of the many terms best suited to describe the most successful German race car driver of the early 20th century: Rudolf Caracciola. He was the first non-Italian to win the Mille Miglia and was crowned European Champion three times. Especially in wet weather he eclipsed his competition, the Silver Arrow by Mercedes Benz and the ambitious Rain Master Caracciola formed an almost invincible union.



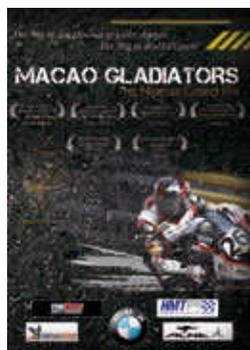
## Northwest Gladiators

HDFEA  
TURE  
DOC

> 52' (ENG, GER) > 2015 > Boomerang Filmproduktion

The 2nd part of the documentary series about the road motorcyclists takes us to the Northwest 200 in Ireland – one of the fastest road races in the world. The documentary follows the protagonists around the clock, explores their inner conflicts, recognize their deepest fears, their motivations, and their need for speed. Every race test our hope that all the racers return alive. Their fears and adventures are ours – they are modern day gladiators.

**Festivals & Awards** International Movie Awards, Indonesia – Gold Award for Best Documentary Feature, Over-timefilms Festival de Temática Deportiva



## Macao Gladiators

HDFEA  
TURE  
DOC

> 52', 75' (ENG, GER) > 2014 > Boomerang Filmproduktion

35 riders from all over the world meet every year in Macao at the largest motor sports spectacle of Asia – the Macao Grand Prix. Mere centimetres decide between the perfect track and certain death. The film follows 3 protagonists 24/7 with their great challenge in Macao and explores their greatest fears, soulful secrets and addiction to speed. The relationship among the three is complex, driven by desires and personal goals. What they have is a special friendship based on deep trust.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Sport Movie Milano International FICTS Festival 2014, Tianjin worldwide final of world FICTS challenge 2014, International Filmfestival Djakarta (Gold Award), special award international FICTS festival Milano 2014, International Film Festival IMA 2014, International EURO Film Festival 2014



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## Magical Moors

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

> 90' (ENG, GER, FRE), 2 x 45' (GER) > 2016 > nautilusfilm, BR, Polyband, arte

Eerie and menacing, yet hauntingly beautiful and highly evocative. The rugged Moor landscape has long fuelled our imagination, inspiring artists and poets, evoking images both terrifying and deeply romantic. Wide open heaths, windswept and barren in winter, are transformed into wonderful carpets of white,

fluffy cotton grass in summer. Large bears and wolves roam alongside delicately fluttering butterflies, the bubbling calls of black grouse and the enchanting trills of the great snipe. Moors, bogs and wetlands can be found all over in Europe. Everyone has at least heard about this habitat but most know little about it.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Audience Award & Best Music Award Naturvision 2016, Best Music Award Greenscreen 2016, Finalist Best Postproduction Award Greenscreen 2016, Sound Award Wildscreen 2016, Finalist Best Music Award Wildscreen 2016, Best German Nature Film 2016 & Audience Award Draßer Naturfilmfestival 2016, 3rd place Environment & Conservation Wildlife Vaasa 2016, Swarovski Optik Award for Best Cinematography INFF 2016, Lirou d'Or - GRAND PRIX Menigoute 2016, Finalist WFFR 2016, Finalist GOLD PANDA AWARDS 2016, Finalist Natur Namur 2016, Finalist Sondrio Festival 2016, Finalist Deutscher Filmpreis Biodevisität 2016, Finalist Filmpreis Bayern 2016, Finalist Berg- & Abenteuer Graz 2016

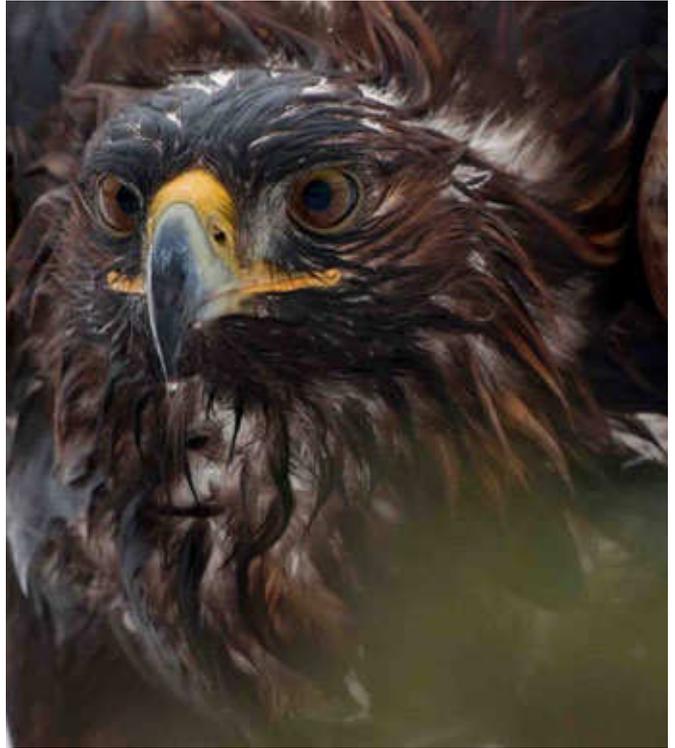


## King of the Mountains – Golden Eagle

HD

- > 52' (ENG)
- 45' (GER, FRE)
- > 2015
- > nautilusfilm, WDR, arte, Artpoint, RTVS

Aerial shots of mating Golden eagles, a fight between a Golden and a White-tailed eagle and a close look into the nursery of these birds combined make a spectacular film. This documentary gives an intimate portrait of this large predatory bird and tracks the birth and coming of age of two Golden Eagle chicks in the High Tatra Mountains, from the hatching of the eggs, until the moment when the young birds leave the nest. Tragic and funny moments make this movie an entertaining trip into the treetops of the European forests.

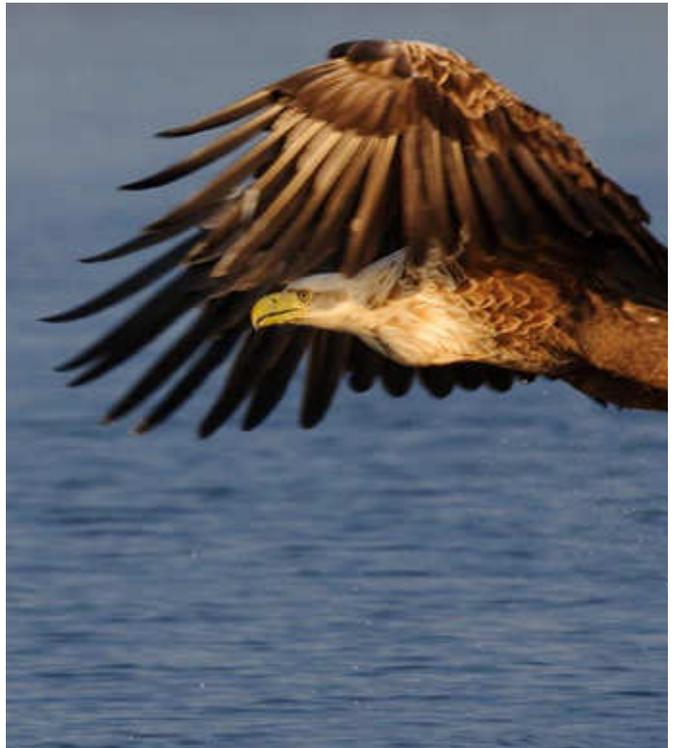


## King of the Seas – Sea Eagle

HD

- > 52' (ENG)
- 45' (GER, FRE)
- > 2015
- > nautilusfilm, WDR, arte

We present you with spectacular pictures, from the Norwegian Lofoten Islands, where the Sea Eagles profit from the hunting orcas and hunchbacks and shots of the swamps in Finland, where the Sea Eagle moves with the wolves and bears in order to also profit from their prey. The documentary presents the different habitats of the Sea Eagle in Europe. Thanks to dedicated conservationists, foresters and hunters, our forests are again a breeding place for more Sea Eagles than ever before.





### Northern Woods

HD

> 52' (ENG, GER) > 2015 > rk-film

*Northern Woods* is an entertaining and diverse time trip by the centuries. It is a musical film and a tribute to the Nordic forest: it shows its development from a primeval wood to a cultivated forest. Once wild animals such as wolves, bears, eagles, deer and musk oxen populated it. Complex re-enactment-scenes shot by dollies and helicopter show also the colonization of the forest by the Celts and Germans. Today, the northern forest is often a victim of environmental degradation and overexploitation.



### Theo's Wildlife

HD

> 2 x 45' (GER, FRE, 1 Ep ENG subs) > 2015 > WDR, arte

A zoo director breaks new ground: Theo Pagel, renowned zoologist and long-time director of the Cologne Zoo tries to find out whether zoos can help to save endangered species or if such rhetoric is merely a form of PR campaign for the zoos? To clarify this, he sets off to Vietnam and Laos and visits conservation projects for monkeys, reptiles, bears and elephants. But he also dedicates himself to local wild animals like lynxes and the common hamster.

### The Hazel Dormouse – Wide Awake

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2015 > WDR

It is rare, shy and hibernates for seven months of the year. But it still manages to sleep during the long summer-days in its short active period. No surprise that almost nobody can catch sight of it, even less film it – the hazel dormouse. This documentary managed to track the life of this little creature that is no bigger than a thumb over a period of one year and shows us fascinating pictures.





## Asia – Secret Lives, Hidden Places

HD

(Season 1)

- > 5 x 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > 2014
- > EIKON, Autentic, LIC, NDR, arte

Behind the veil of tourism in Asia's most stunning National Parks, people and animals share the same backyard. Unlike protected areas in North America and Europe, the diverse endangered habitats of Asia are home to people as well as wildlife. We take you to beautiful places in Asia from the flood plains of India to the granite peaks of China's holy mountains. The result is a fusion of great stories, engaging characters and rare and threatened wildlife against a backdrop of drama and beauty.



## Wild Bavaria

HD

- > 2 x 45'
- 1 x 45' *Making of* (ENG, GER)
- > 2013
- > nautilusfilm, BR

Nature is the star of this mini-series but the human co-creators of this primal landscape have proven just as significant to the habitat. Shooting over a period of 4 years, Jan Haft and his team have worked with state of the art camera equipment to capture nature's rawness. When newts gather for their bizarre mating display, wolfish minimonsters hatch from tiny, white balls and a giant daddy longlegs takes a freezing shower, the big moments of these small creatures prove to be truly entertaining.





## Bavarias Alpine Kingdom

HD

> 52' (ENG, GER) > 2013  
> nautilusfilm, BR, Latitude Production, National Geographic

The stunning mountains of the Bavarian Alps challenge many but it is a magical land where the mountains are vaults and the animals, crown jewels. There, man and nature work together to make sparkling palaces from ice and snow and superb stone castles. The mountains and the rough climate are challenging for natives and tourists alike, but, millions still visit every year. Despite one's position, in the alpine kingdom everyone finds what they are looking for.



## The Moor

HD

> 52' (ENG), 45' (GER, FRE) > 2013 > nautilusfilm, BR, arte, ORF

The film shows the biodiversity of the often rarely recognized habitat – and it is a quiet appeal to save and preserve the last moors intact! Nature holds many surprises in a moor: It seems as if some of the most bizarre and colourful members of our native species live in the bog. Plants that eat animals live here and so does mushrooms that suck the life out of plants. The rutting dance of the Great snipes and the hatching of a great crane chick are just a few of the miracles happening in a moor every season.

## Wild River Rhine

HD

> 52' (ENG), 2 x 45' (GER, FRE) > 2013  
> nautilusfilm, WDR, NDR, BR, arte, ORF

There are many myths and legends surrounding the river Rhine in Germany and similarly it is flanked by alluvial forests, roaring waterfalls, steep canyons and sunny slopes. The river Rhine is home to various habitats and is the reason for the large biodiversity along the stream. Beavers, Capricorns and wild boar are among the stars of this film. Like the river, the film starts at its delta in the Netherlands, flows through six countries and ends in the Swiss Alps.



## Wild Cologne

HD

> 45' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2013 > Wild.doc, WDR, arte

The habitat in Cologne is particular attractive for species from distant countries that love warmth. At the edge of the thunderous traffic, swans and Egyptian geese argue about their territory, whilst in front of the houses squirrels fight with parrots for the ownership of holes in trees. Foxes and buzzards regard parks and cemeteries as their hunting grounds. Many animals have learnt to ignore people and have established themselves in this man-made world.



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## The Return of the Tree Frog

HD

> 45' (GER) > 2013 > Taglicht Media, WDR

The tree frog is no larger than a human thumb, but is big in many other ways: he has the loudest croak, climbs the steepest trees and with his ability to forecast the weather, this bright green amphibian is a legend in his own right. But he has very nearly become extinct. Hedge clearance and monotonous agricultural landscapes destroyed its natural habitat. The film features a successful conservation campaign by following conservationists who have studied, bought and recovered areas where frogs lived.



## African Safari Adventure

3D

> 65' (ENG, GER) > 2013 > Busch Media Group

*African Safari Adventure* is a breath-taking journey through the savannahs and jungles of Africa and was shot at Africa's most beautiful places – the Serengeti, the Ngorongoro Crater, Lake Manyara, Arusha, and Tarangire National Park. This outstanding adventure film showcases the beauty of African wildlife. Here are exotic animals such as lions, elephants, hippos, giraffes, and leopards. Enjoy unbelievable landscapes and get introduced to Masai warriors.



## Zoo Vienna

3D

> 52' (ENG, GER) > 2013 > Busch Media Group

Vienna, the capital city of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy and home to the royal Habsburg family for centuries, today draws between five and six million tourists every year. There are many reasons to visit this wonderful city on the banks of the Danube and one of these is the famed Schönbrunn Castle – an impressive, beautifully designed zoo known as the Imperial Zoo. The green oasis of the truly imperial Baroque complex covers an area of seventeen hectares (42 acres). Almost 5,000 animals representing 480 species live here – in the oldest, and of course, according to the Viennese, the most beautiful zoo in the world.





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## Jacques Cousteau's Legacy – Return to the Undersea World

HD

› 45' (ENG, GER) › 2012 › Marquardt Medienproduktion, WDR

On the trail of the most famous oceanographer of the 20th Century, the team spent two years filming on original locations in four different oceans. The film charts how Cousteau's personality was shaped by his many decades at sea around the globe. He gradually changed from a man who killed sharks in hate and thoughtlessly blew up coral reefs, to a radical environmentalist, a struggle that continues to this day.



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## Poppy's Promise

HD

› 45' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2010 › nautilusfilm, BR, WDR, arte

The cornfield – just an area for producing food or a land full of secrets? This documentary portrays a little recognized habitat right next door. The spectacular visuals filmed with state of the art equipment introduce the surprisingly large diversity of field inhabitants. We follow a hamster family through a season full of adventures and are drawn into an unknown world – a world of which we thought we knew everything about.





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## ACROSS THE WORLD

**Hot Roads – The World's Most Dangerous Roads**

HD

- > S1: 5 × 45' (GER, FRE, 3 Eps ENG)
- S2: 5 × 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > 2010–2015
- > Fernsehbüro, ZDF, arte, LIC (S2), Authentic

They run through deserts, ice and snow, deep in the jungle, along water and over mountains: the world's most dangerous roads. Many risk their lives along these roads. Yet for lack of alternative routes, locals continue to use them for transportation. We will go from the Market Route in Senegal to Bangladesh, across the Sichuan-Tibet Highway and the Burma Street to the Manitoba Winter Road in Canada. This series tells stories that take place along the routes, of the people who live along them and for whom these are part and parcel of their personal destiny.

**Rural Destinations in the World**

4K

- > 13 × 30' (ENG, GER, ESP) > 2016–2017
- > Orange Productions, RTVE

Until recently, tourism meant a search for exotic destinations, idyllic beaches or endless tours across populous cities; in short, it was what we call "mass tourism". Nowadays, the average tourist looks for destinations that differ greatly from the frenzy of today's lifestyles. *Rural Destinations in the World* is a thirteen-episode documentary series that shows great vacation spots in Germany, the US, Poland, Iceland, Colombia, Spain, Portugal, Austria or Switzerland.

**The World in 30 Minutes**

HD

- > 30' (ENG subs) *long running series* > 2010–2017 > WDR

All over the world, but still close to the people. Our long running series *The World in 30 Minutes* provides modern reports from all parts of the world. We tell stories in which we follow our protagonists and watch them overcome obstacles and drawbacks leading to big and small adventures that open their minds. We experience the clash of cultures and never forget to deal critically with our environment. This is the slot for surprising but also relevant foreign issues.



## Planet HD Africa, South America, Azores

HD

> 9 × 45' (GER) > 2012 > Busch Media Group

We are taking an adventurous journey around the world. In this unique collection, you will experience the wild heart of Africa with its gentle giants, impressive mountain gorillas and traces of colonial history in the most beautiful National Parks of the continent. We are also going to the Azores and to South America, the wildest continents from the World Heritage Site of Galápagos Islands to the almost unknown island of South Georgia. The Southern Ocean life explodes here and millions of king penguins await you on the shores.



## Legendary Paddle Steamers

HD

> 5 × 52' (ENG), 5 × 45 (GER, FRE) > 2011  
> Hoferichter & Jacobs, MDR, arte

Stories, traditions and biographies can be found on the banks of the most beautiful rivers and lakes. The series accompanies steamers en route to harbours. On board, we meet people, look over the railing and together with the ships, draw to a halt. The voyage on board one of the most beautiful and oldest paddle steamers of the world is one of great beauty: ancient picturesque rivers and lakes compete with the nostalgic technical miracles created by man.

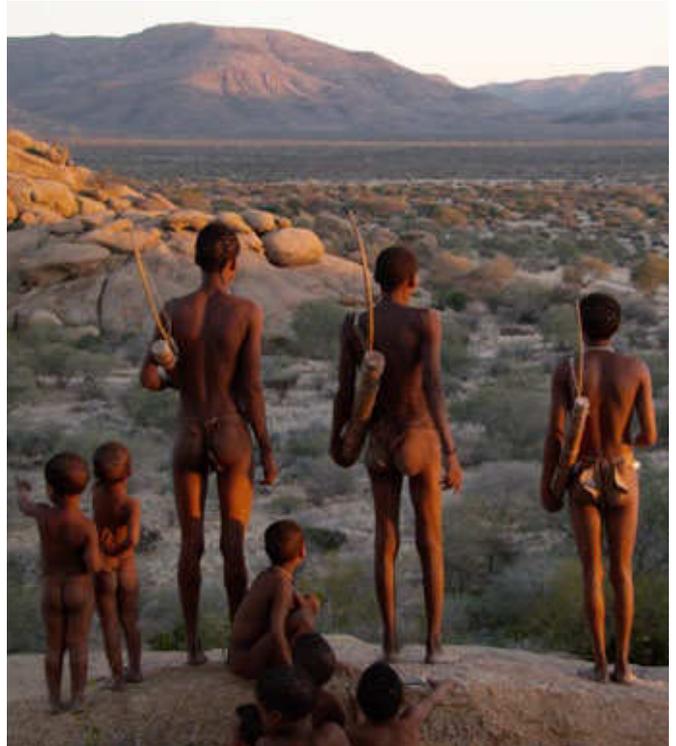
## AFRICA

### Namibia

4K

> 52' (ENG, GER)  
> 2016  
> Busch Media Group

With more than 300 days a year, the sun dominates this country so much that it's even shining from their flag. It's a barren land, sometimes it's like it's from another planet but still familiar. It is land of contrasts and colours with wide landscapes and fascinating deserts. Influenced by various cultures during colonization and now reborn from the shadows of Apartheid in 1990, Namibia gives a beautiful collage of culture, language, art, music and food.



**Monuments Men of Timbuktu**

HD

&gt; 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; Gruppe 5, ZDF, arte, 3Sat

When jihadists conquered the North of Mali, they destroyed 14 mausoleums of holy Marabouts and burnt more than 4,000 valuable historic manuscripts of the city Timbuktu. It is normal that artifacts which differ from Islam's religious-fundamentalist image of the world are destroyed. However, due to the courageous actions of Abdel Kader Haidara, most of the around 300,000 handwritings were saved and brought to safety. This documentary tells the story of the daring rescue of a unique World Cultural Heritage.

**Zanzibar**

3D

&gt; 45' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2014 &gt; Busch Media Group

Zanzibar, a place of beauty caressed by turquoise waters, was once a trading center for spices and slaves. Today it houses a wide variety of cultures and religions living together. This synergy piqued the interest of so many that the capital is now a UNESCO World Heritage-Cultural Site. Come along for a ride and experience a paradise with gorgeous natural, oriental flair and rich cultural heritage. Enjoy unique impressions of picturesque landscapes, fascinating people and fauna, white sandy beaches and colorful bazaars.

**Good Morning Africa**

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

&gt; 60' (GER, ENG subs) &gt; 2009/2010 &gt; Lavafilm, SR

We accompany four strong women in four African countries, from the wilderness of the Ugandan rain forest to the chaos of the metropolis of Dakar, to the barren spaces of the Lesotho highlands then deep into the Mozambique savannah. There is Margaret, head of Mama FM, the first radio station in Uganda giving a voice to women, Ndéye a car mechanic who conquered a traditional men's domain in the conservative society of Senegal, Marcia a business-woman from Mozambique and finally Grace, who leads a clinic for AIDS patients in Lesotho. What they all have in common is their willingness to fight for their rights and make a difference.



## AMERICA

**Dreams of the Settlers**

HD

&gt; 3 x 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)

&gt; 2017

&gt; Prounen Film, WDR, arte

Follow us on a spectacular expedition through the extraordinary and enthralling landscapes of North America. Embark with us on a fabulous journey, where we meet some remarkable people, who tell us stories about their countries. This is a road movie with breathtaking pictures taken from above, on land and in water, giving us a panoramic view of nature's beauty. Whether it is New England, Chicago or Florida, North America offers various kinds of beautiful sceneries and we are going to take you along with us.

**Viva Cuba!**

HD

&gt; 5 x 30' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; Avanti Media, ZDF, arte

Despite its struggle with poverty and its politics, the small communist Caribbean island Cuba, has long since been a popular tourist spot. Nowadays, this relatively untouched island has opened its doors to people near and far. *Viva Cuba!* explores Havana, soaking in history, music and culture, while admiring the island's architecture and its penchant for classic cars. On our travel through Cuba, we afford insight into the cultural changes of this country.

**Bolívar's Dream**

HD

&gt; 52' (GER, FRE, ESP, ENG subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; zeitfilm, WDR, arte

This documentary is on the search for the political and social heritage of Simon Bolívar, who is celebrated as the liberator of South America. Since the capitulation of the Spanish colonial power, South America has been exploited by North America and Europe. But times are changing – South America has a young, educated population united by digitization. As they look back to Bolívar's values of community and brotherhood, a united South America seems possible.



### Global Brigades

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016 > Moving Picture Films, Autentic

A group of students is travelling to Nicaragua to help improve the living situation there. They would like to assist the citizens with the construction of sanitary facilities and improve and develop other essential buildings. As soon as they arrive, they are confronted with extreme physical work and great social and cultural differences. This documentary shows how young adults can make a change in a country that is far away from home.



### Treasure of Lima

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG) > 2015 > TBA21 Academy, Autentic, BR

This is a story about a remote island in the Pacific, which is steeped in myths and legends of pirates and treasure hunters – a unique site that brings together some of the most influential artists of our time to for a common cause. The artists are adamant about protecting the rapidly decreasing population of endangered species of sharks that used to populate the area. 39 of the most popular contemporary artists contributed their art to this unique project – an actual journey with strong emotions and a modern adventure to a remote island.



### USA – A West Coast Journey

4K

FEATURE  
DOC

> 70' (ENG, GER) > 2014 > Busch Media Group

*USA – A West Coast Journey* presents the most exciting and picturesque places of the Western United States in stunning 4K resolution. Explore over 40 amazing destinations in California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona & Colorado: From San Francisco's famous Golden Gate Bridge to the pulsating night life of Las Vegas to the breath-taking natural wonders of the Grand Canyon and Yosemite. Filmed in Ultra HD resolution *USA – A West Coast Journey* features spectacular aerial images, time-lapse cinematography and elaborate camerawork.

### Silver of the Bering Sea

HD

> 45' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2012 > Autentic, ZDF, arte

In the spring, millions of herring travel to their spawning grounds off the beaches in the Bristol Bay area. The times when a ton of herring brought 1000 dollars and the short season was a frenzy race have long gone. But a few fishermen still stick to the tradition. This documentary accompanies fishermen in the Bristol Bay and biologists from the regional department of fish during an unusual fishing season full of setbacks and surprises.





## Inocente

HD

> 40' (ENG, GER) > 2012 > Inocente Films

The Academy Award winning documentary *Inocente* follows the life of a homeless Latina teenager in San Diego. With the help of her colourful, whimsical art works, she breaks away from the hopelessness entrenched in the daily life of an undocumented immigrant. *Inocente* is a personal, vibrant coming of age documentary about a young artist's determination to not surrender to the bleakness of her surroundings. Hers is not just a story of survival, but also of resilience.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Academy Award, Best Documentary Short Subject, Arizona International Film Festival – Special Jury Award, Heartland Film Festival – Best Short Film, San Antonio Film Festival – Jury Prize

## Bear Tracks – Adventuring Canada

HD

> 2 x 45' (GER) > 2011 > WDR

This journey takes us into the wild heart of Canada. The banks along the Yukon are a paradise for those who have turned their backs on mainstream life. Yukon gold diggers are still coming here, guys like Dave with his wild beard, blue eyes and a big dream of unbounded freedom. This documentary describes a fascinating journey over many weeks through the second largest country on earth. A multi-faceted country full of surprises and diversity.



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## The Rockies

HD

> 2 x 52' (ENG), 3 x 45' (GER) > 2007 > WDR

This doc takes the audience to astonishing landscapes and shares the spirit of life in these mountains reaching all the way from Canada's Yukon to New Mexico. Whether ice climbing in Jasper National Park or heli skiing in the Columbia Mountains – everybody seems to find his own individual Rockies experience. More than a hundred years have passed since the gold rush and pioneer spirit led thousands of people into the Rockies. Today they are a still fascinating.



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## Rio de Janeiro, Brazil!

4K

> 60' (nonverbal) > 2014 > Busch Media Group

*Rio de Janeiro, Brazil!* takes viewers on a visual journey to one of the most beautiful and vibrant cities in the world. Filmed with 4K/ Ultra HD cameras, this first portrait of Rio offers breathtaking aerial, time-lapse and slow motion effect shots. The high-class soundtrack mixes catchy songs with modern, Brazilian blends of music. With 12 million residents, Rio is the 3rd largest metropolitan area of South America. Charming rainforests and a sultry tropical climate makes the city one of the most exotic urban places on earth.





## ASIA PACIFIC

**88 Hours – The Fukushima Meltdown**

HD

&gt; 2 x 52' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2016 &gt; NHK, Autentic

Six years have passed since an earthquake caused Japan's worst nuclear incident in history and details of the situation are slowly emerging. Through various investigations and exclusive interviews with more than 500 people who were involved in the accident, this docu-drama shows what actually happened at ground zero. The viewers will witness for the first time the complete picture of the nuclear accident in Fukushima during those fateful first 88 hours.

**Inside the Tsunami**

HD

&gt; 50' (ENG, GER, JAP) &gt; 2016 &gt; NHK, Autentic

Let's go back in time to Japan, when a huge tsunami, caused by an earthquake, travelled so far inland that it took the lives of over 1,000 people. Based on the personal accounts of the survivors of this enormous tidal wave, the program analyzes the behaviour and mechanics of the tsunami. By utilizing harrowing home-video footages, Hollywood-style CGI with the use of a supercomputer, attempts will be made to recreate the tsunami, thereby enabling viewers to experience firsthand what these people went through.

**The Farmer and I**

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

&gt; 80' (ENG subs, GER subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; Fechner Media

*The Farmer and I* is a deeply personal film about the shared vision of two people from totally different backgrounds. The German filmmaker, Irja and the Bhutanese farmer Sangay's hope is to one day produce a TV-series, which will convince citizens of Bhutan to consider a life in agriculture. This film embarks on a challenging journey full of unexpected obstacles and hidden treasures and centers around two people's willingness to fight, tarry and struggle just to incite change.

**Mongolian Adventure**

HD

&gt; 2 x 45' (GER, ENG subs) &gt; 2015 &gt; WDR

Endless grassy steppe lands, desert landscape and the highlands of Altai. Mongolia is a beautiful country and the least populated area in the world. More than half of the three million Mongolians live in the capital city, Ulan Bator. Their once traditional lives are now interspersed with modernity. More than one million nomad ranchers live here in their traditional yurts and move from pasture to pasture but some yurts feature battery operated televisions. Follow our journey through this beautiful country and discover Mongolia!



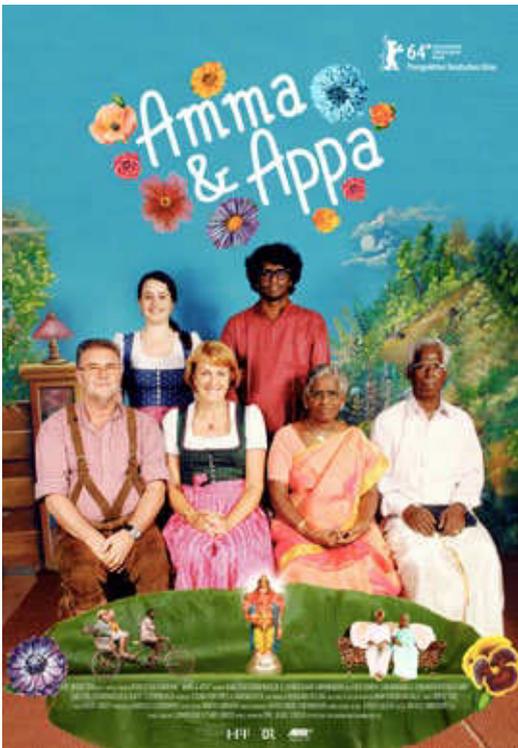


## The Taste of Israel

HD

- > 3 x 45' (ENG)
- 5 x 30' (GER, FRE)
- 90'
- > 2015
- > Megaherz, BR, SWR, arte

A culinary discovery journey across Israel: from fish farmers in the desert of Negev through the kosher kitchens of Jerusalem to the winegrowers in the hills of Galilee. What unites all Israelis with different ethnical backgrounds is their love for food. Every Jewish ethnicity that immigrated to Israel brought its own specialties. The taste reaches from Russian and Polish to oriental. There is almost no better way to get into the rich culture of the country than via its kitchen. Culinary decadence is the door opener to life in Israel.



## Amma & Appa

HD
FEATURE  
DOC

- > 90' (GER, ENG subs)
- > 2014
- > HFF, BR

A documentary culture clash between India and Germany: *Amma & Appa*, which in the dravidian language, Tamil means mother and father – tells the story of two married couples – both for more than thirty years; yet from totally different cultural settings: Bavaria and India. They have come together because their children have fallen in love and would like to get married. *Amma & Appa* is a humorous and sensitive exploration of the biographies and love stories of three couples, who are so different yet so similar.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Berlinale 2014 – Perspektive German Cinema, Warsaw 2014, Mumbai 2014, Zagreb Film Festival 2014



## Little Train

HD

› 50' (ENG), 45' (GER) › 2014 › Autentic, NDR, LIC

In a mountainous region best known for pandas and earthquakes there are no roads, no cars, no buses. But there is ... a train. We tell the story of the last working narrow gauge steam railway in China. Built seventy years ago to haul coal out of the valley, the 19 km line has evolved to be the main source of transport in the valley carrying children to school, workers to their jobs and pigs to market; all fighting for space in the train's small, unglazed carriages.



## Freestyle – The Jazz and China

HD

FEATURE  
DOC› 80', 52' (ENG, GER subs) › 2013  
› Propellerfilm, ZDF, 3sat

Is Jazz changing China or is China changing Jazz? *Freestyle* explores Shanghai's newly regained 'Jazz feeling'. The nucleus of the contemporary Jazz scene is the legendary JZ Club. Its owner, bass player Ren Yuqing, is also the head of the JZ Jazz School and the organiser of the annual JZ Jazz Festival. By following the club owner during the weeks before the festival we break away from the Western stereotypes of China.

FESTIVALS &amp; AWARDS Nomination Grimme Award



## Fukushima Reporters

HD

› 50' (ENG), 80' (GER) › 2013 › Autentic, BR

This documentary tells the story of the reporters who shocked the world with their pictures of the Japanese nuclear disaster. For the victims they are the only reliable source of information, offering important news about the true conditions on site. But today how do over one million people continue to live in this area? Many stories deal with the aftermath of the invisible threat and overcoming the fears of something you can't see, hear, taste, or smell.

FESTIVALS &amp; AWARDS Bavarian Television Award 2015



## Dingomaro – Iran's Black South

HD

› 45' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2013 › 3w productions, ZDF, arte

Hamid Said, a famous black musician in Iran, is travelling by motorbike across the province of Hormozgan to organise a concert with the best black musicians in the country. Besides Persians, Indians, Arabs and Europeans, Iran's "black south" has been influenced primarily by the descendants of slaves and merchants from Africa. Although Shiites, they still hold Voodoo ceremonies. Said must overcome numerous hurdles. One such hurdle is his wife, who is completely against his plan.



## Fascinating India

3D

4K

FEATURE  
DOC

> 45'/4K, 90'/3D (ENG, GER) > 2014 > Busch Media Group

*Fascinating India* spreads an impressive panorama of India's historical and contemporary world. The film presents the most important cities, royal residences and temple precincts. It follows the trail of different religious denominations, which have influenced India up to present day. The filmmakers travelled for months through the north of the Indian subcontinent to discover what is hidden under India's exotic and enigmatic surface, and to show what is rarely revealed to foreigners.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Cosmic Cine Award 2014 (nomination)

## The Snake Sultan

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2012 > 3w productions

In some regions poisonous snakebites are the second-highest cause of death. Antiserum could rescue many. However, for its production the snakes as well as their poisons are needed. Snake-catchers such as Reza Gholami, who is considered as the best: Iranians call him *The Snake Sultan*, are of utmost importance to this process. The man from the nomadic tribe of the Bakhtiari catches the poisonous snakes with his bare hand and delivers them to the Iranian central Serum institute for the production of antivenom.



## Koyama's Menu

HD

> 45' (ENG, GER, FRE) > 2009  
> Polyphon, HFF Munich, arte, NDR

With master chef Hirohisa Koyama, the film introduces westerners to the culinary soul of Japan: the Kaiseki Menu. Shortly after opening his own restaurant in Tokyo in 1976, he began devoting himself to popularizing traditional Japanese cuisine around the world. The Nippon Culinary Exchange Institute is the base from which he continues to pursue his goal of making Japanese recipes and their underlying philosophy known through the world.





## EUROPE

**Berlin from Above**

HD

- > 52' (ENG)
- 90' (GER)
- > 2016
- > DOKfilm, rbb

Unique pictures from above. This documentary shows a different angle of people and country, during a glide flight above the metropolis. More than 25 years after the reunion between East and West Germany, this movie shows pictures from different perspectives. Which visions and dreams marked this region? What changed and what emerged in Germany's tensed city. We take a look from above to see the city and its citizens. Due to high quality flight recordings and panorama pictures, we are able to see how the people make this area their home.

**Adventure Ireland**

HD

- > 3 x 52' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs)
- > 2016
- > Caspic Media, Autentic

Travelling at just one horsepower – literally – adventurer and photographer Florian Wagner sets out with his team of three on a journey of over 1000 kilometres. We experience captivating beauty from an unusual perspective. We encounter people along the way and hear their stories. For a time our adventurers will live the life of nomads – at night they either find a farmhouse to spend the night or just pitch a tent at a convenient spot. Our mounted team will have many adventures on their journey across the Emerald Isle and we invite you along with us.



## In the Shadow of Volcanoes

HD

> 5 x 45' (ENG, GER) > 2016 > Millstream Films, Autentic

Millions of people around the world live in the shadow of a volcano. We will delve into this precarious style of living by choosing five situations that are unique among the volcano communities of the world. Three of such communities are found in the world's most volcanic country – Italy, one in Spain and one in Greece. In the Shadow of Volcanoes is a 5-part series about the threats volcanoes pose to communities, the advantages they gain from living close to the edge and how the local people cope with the dangers.

## Relic Wine Hunters

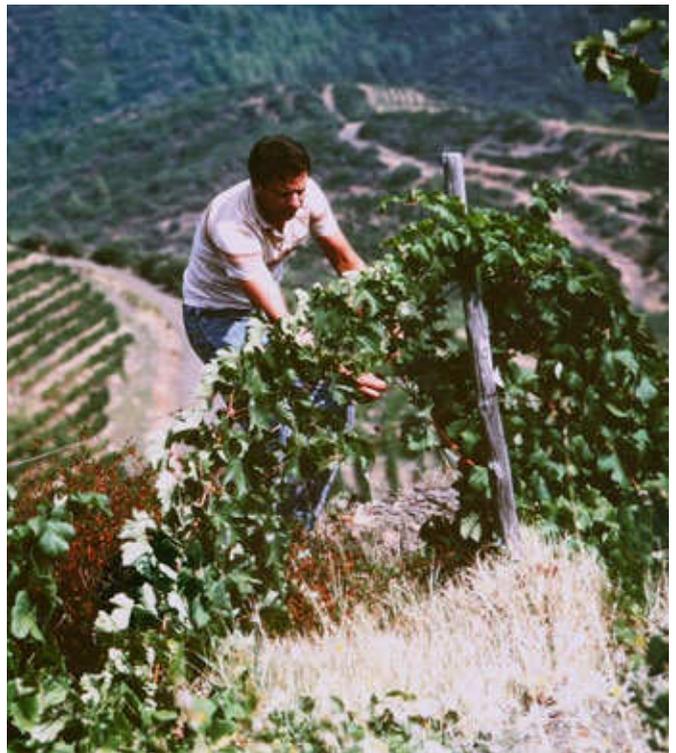
HD

> 3 x 45' (ENG, GER)

> 2016

> Millstream Films, Autentic

While over 10,000 grape varieties exist, only 1,500 of them are used to make wine today and only 30% of those are used to make 70% of all wines sold on the market. All over Europe wine experts have entered a race against time to save some almost extinct vines and rekindle the flavours of yesteryear. This series follows the men who are searching – and then cultivating – some of the rarest vines in the world. We accompany them in our three episodes to Kos (Greece), Montpellier (France) and Sicily (Italy).



## Hit the Rails

HD

> 3 x 52' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) > 2016 > Lupus Media, Autentic

Travelling the north of Europe by train – Norway, Sweden, Finland. We experience a journey through the eyes of our host Elena: her views, experiences, sentiments relating to the places, people and trains give the viewer an opportunity to witness this journey very up close and personal. Elena travels through Scandinavia via InterRail, this means no flights or long car journeys with rented cars. She just uses train connections, complemented with some ferry- and bus journeys, where she can also use discounts from her InterRail-ticket.



## Siberia's Rolling Clinic

HD

› 45' (ENG, GER) › 2016 › Moers Media, NDR

Lonely, cold and inaccessible – isolation is the leading cause for poor medical provisions in Siberian villages. But now the Russian government is providing medicine trains – rolling hospitals – to ensure basic medical care for all. From surgery rooms to modern laboratories, the trains are well equipped. We travel through the world, which only knows nine months of winter. We meet people, who live a simple life and work hard. And we accompany doctors, who sacrifice themselves, to help as many people as possible.



## Turkey – Beautiful Diversity

HD

› 5 × 52' (ENG)  
 5 × 45' (GER, FRE)  
 2 × 45' (GER)  
 › 2015  
 › Vincent TV, NDR, arte

Turkey is a country of stark contrasts: charming coastal areas with their almost tropical climates are juxtaposed with the rugged nature of the hinterland; modern cities on the one hand, cultural sites that are thousands of years old on the other. This is a five part journey through Turkey, spanning two continents, promising to involve exciting encounters with people who seem both familiar and at the same time sometimes appear to come from a different world altogether. Discover a country whose remarkable diversity has never been shown on television before in this way!

## Lisbon – Meet the Originals

HD

› 45' (ENG, GER) › 2015 › Flight Films

This documentary gives a unique glimpse behind the scenes of Lisbon – ten portraits of extraordinary citizens show how people in Portugal's capital think and how they imprint their city each day. Besides that, it tells the story of Lisbon's, who battle the economic crisis with ingenuity, creativity and positive thinking. Portraying special people from different areas of life, from a former pop star to a pensioner-graffiti-gang and from Lisbon's wine pope to a modern Fado-band. This documentary reflects the people and their mentality.





## Balkan Express

HD

- > 5 x 45' (ENG, GER, FRE)
- > 2015
- > Micafilm, zdf, arte

The deepest ravine of Europe, the last primeval forests of the continent, significant cultural sites and an unique biodiversity. There is an area with spectacular natural phenomena full of undiscovered beauty: the Balkans. This five-part documentary is an expedition through the south-east of Europe. The stages are Slovenia, Croatia, Montenegro, Macedonia and Serbia. A visually stunning journey through mysterious landscapes, untouched wilderness and ancient traditions in the middle of Europe.



## Beautiful Tuscany – Home of the Medici

HD

- > 2 x 52' (GER), 5 x 45' (GER, FRE) > 2015
- > Pronoun Film, ZDF, arte, Servus TV

Tuscany is a vast region with the most beautiful and exceptional places to visit. Regardless of it being established as the financial hub of the world, it still retained its picturesque medieval villages. The wealth to be found in Tuscany was rooted in modern merchant trading dynasties. Within a few decades, the Tuscan villa had become a status symbol. The extended grounds became works of art where everything was designed down to the very last detail.



## 2 for 300 – Travelling on a Budget

HD

- > 11 x 30', 3 x 45' (GER) > 2015–2016 > M.E. Works, WDR

In our travel magazine *2 for 300 – Travelling on a Budget* Tamina and Uwe take you on weekend-trips to various cities in Europe. Unfortunately, their budget of 300€ has put a damper on things. With a lust for adventure and a driving thirst for life the couple still manages to visit cities like Barcelona, Vienna, Maastricht, Porto, Milan, Antwerp, Copenhagen or Berlin. Constantly on the prowl for tips on how to enjoy traveling on a budget, these two were able to see the many sides of these cities. Let us show you how to stretch a penny!



### Rural Destinations in Europe

HD

&gt; 9 x 40' (ENG, GER, ESP) &gt; 2015

&gt; Orange Productions, RTVE

Each episode presents different European regions from the point of view of rural tourism. We will focus on aspects such as historic heritage but also on wine tourism, birdwatching, fine cuisine, nature and leisure. Each episode will uncover secret places, unknown corners, hiking trails and leisure activities that are sure to delight the viewer. Our goal is to discover some of the most stunning and treasured treats of nature and make known the less known regions of Europe.



### Villages of Europe

HD

&gt; 4 x 40' (ENG, GER, ESP) &gt; 2015

&gt; Orange Productions, RTVE

*Villages of Europe* is a fascinating documentary series that features the uniqueness of twenty European villages in Germany, Poland, Italy and Spain. Close to the docu-tourism format, the series shows the peculiarities of locations far from the general knowledge and the maddening crowd – a trip around distinct regions and picturesque villages of Europe. We explore the history and traditions of the locations, walk their cobbled streets and experience their fantastic scenery.

### Legendary Hotels

HD

&gt; 10 x 30' (ENG, ESP) &gt; 2015 &gt; Orange Productions

We show ten hotels in ten different countries. We review each hotel's unique history, its illustrious clients and, in many cases, we discover that European history was written in the rooms of such hotels as the Dolder Grand in Zurich and Munich's Bayerischer Hof. Follow us and experience impressive buildings with the most luxurious suites, the tastiest hotel restaurants and most impressive hotel bars and see where some of the most influential and prominent people reside.





## Winter in St. Petersburg

HD

> 45' (GER) > 2015 > WDR, MDR

For almost two centuries, St. Petersburg was the capital of the Russian Empire. Today, St. Petersburg is one of the northernmost multi-million metropolises in the world. Its name rings proud! But the imperial façade is crumbling and the city's true face is starting to show. The film tells of the people in St. Petersburg, of the inhabitants of the shoddy *kommunalkas* – communal apartments, where up to 16 families share a hall, bathroom and kitchen. And of the newly rich who stage expensive balls in former royal palaces.



## Campus Germany

HD

> 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2015  
> Tangram International, BR, arte

In *Campus Germany*, we accompany students in Berlin, Munich and Düsseldorf to lecture theatres, libraries and student pubs. From the perspective of those affected by the system and based on the author's experiences, the film looks critically at the bachelor's system. *Campus Germany* is an argument for a different kind of university in which students are allowed a few more oases of 'relaxed studying' than they are today – less bachelor's and more Humboldt.



## Azores

4K

> 60' (ENG, GER) > 2015 > Busch Media Group

The archipelago of the Azores is located in the Atlantic Ocean and is a unique natural paradise on our planet. Here, where the famous Azores High is located, each day has four seasons. The incredible beauty of the volcanic islands of Pico and Faial will fascinate you. On these two islands you can find colourful blooming blossoms, wild and romantic landscapes, but above all, a unique wildlife. Because real life takes place off the coasts.



## Heights of Delights

HD

> 15 x 30' (GER, FRE, 3 Eps ENG subs) > 2013 > Eikon, ZDF, arte

The documentary series *Heights of Delights* gives evidence of the greatness of the European mountain region. Food from that area is of the highest quality and in this series, we will meet the people of these mountains, who through their cooking will grant us insight into the origins of regional recipes and into the everyday lives of the culinary masterminds. Whether the meals are cooked on a simple wood stove or in a high-tech kitchen – quality ingredients and culinary dedication make each meal a pleasure!



### Beautiful Krista

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

› 90' (GER, ENG subs) › 2013 › Lichtblick Film, ZDF

Here comes Germany's next top model, the beautiful Miss Germany, Krista. The burgeoning star was first discovered by a young farmer in East Frisia. The farm animal is to be the chief component in building the trademark of the European agri-food industry. But her down-to-earth nature keeps balking at its recovery operations. With loving care and empathy the documentary explores the folly of Krista's career as the most beautiful cow in Germany.

### The Great Conclave

HD

› 2 x 45' (ENG, GER) › 2013 › Fact TV, Nacne, Autentic

An unflinching two-part mini-series documenting the resignation of Benedict XVI and the extraordinary conclave and election of Pope Francis. Shot on location in Argentina and Vatican City, the series offers a rare behind the scenes look at the secretive papal election process. It also reveals the full story of Pope Francis, tracking his rise from Jesuit superior during Argentina's brutal military junta to his popular role as the humble archbishop of Buenos Aires to his groundbreaking papacy.



### Rural Europe – Modern Farming on Traditional Ground

HD

› 5 x 52' (ENG, GER) › 2010–2012 › Hoferichter &amp; Jacobs

*Rural Europe* is a journey of discovery, following the historic traces of European agriculture as we know it today. The series comes to know those people and regions that have been shaped by agriculture for centuries – and in which agriculture still determines their way of life. In the course of this filmic journey, the documentaries first and foremost these questions: In the 21st century, what is the future of agriculture and of the people who depend on it?



### Norway for Pilgrims – Hiking the St. Olavs Way

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER), 45' (GER) › 2012 › rk-film, BR

St. James' Way was once the most taken pilgrimage route. But now it is completely "overrun" and so pilgrims are looking for an alternative route. And there is one: St. Olavs Way. The route is 400 miles long, starts in Oslo and heads north to Trondheim where the impressive Gothic church, Nidaros Cathedral, was once an important pilgrimage destination in the Middle Ages. At the time of the Reformation it fell into oblivion, but it has now regained its fame. In 2010, the European Commission ranked St. Olav's Way equal to St. James' Way.





### Three Shades of Green

HD

> 3 x 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) > 2012  
> Hoferichter & Jacobs, MDR, arte

The three-part series *Three Shades of Green* explores the rugged, fertile and gentle sides of Ireland. Only but a few other countries in Europe are as exposed to the forces of nature as Ireland. With its winding rivers, lakes, bogs and moors that are home to all kinds of plants, the people of Ireland had to adapt to the diverse landscape. We meet prawners and gardeners, cheese makers and sea anglers. Upon closer look, a world of wonders reveals itself.



### Ibiza – Chillout Paradise

4K

> 40', 90' (nonverbal) > 2014 > world2world, Busch Media Group

Ibiza is more than just a world famous crazy party island in Europe's Mediterranean Sea: The film takes you through a journey to beautiful beaches, pristine nature, exclusive ocean view clubs and mythic hippie culture. Impressions of the vibrant old town, neighbour island Formenterra and many aerial views shows what attracts the rich and the famous, VIPs & enthusiasts of our planet. 18 high class Chillout spots and Beach House Classics represent the perfect soundtrack to an inspiring, timeless masterpiece that no insider can resist.

## HUMAN INTEREST

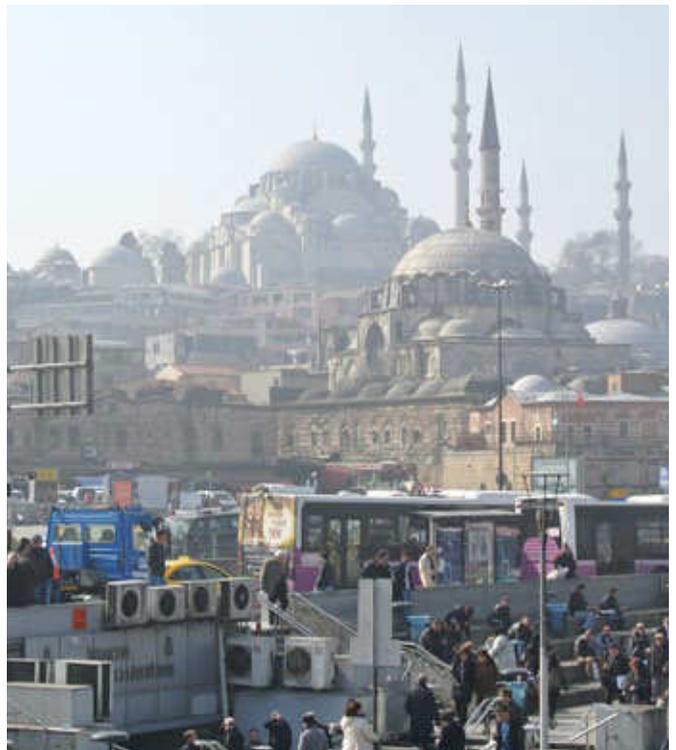
### There's No Place Like Home! Migration – Choice or Necessity?

HD

> 90' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)  
> 2016  
> Pronen, MDR, arte,  
Goethe Institut

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DOC

If you want to know your future, look to your past. Does that ring true to Europeans today? Can we preserve the future of Europe by learning from the mass migration of the late 20th century? In the past, was there ghettoisation, a marked increase in crime or religious fundamentalism? How did politics impact migration? These are some questions we stand to answer by looking to the past. This documentary is a cinematic investigation on the determinants of successful or unsuccessful integration in cities like Istanbul, London, Paris or Amsterdam.





### Land in Sight

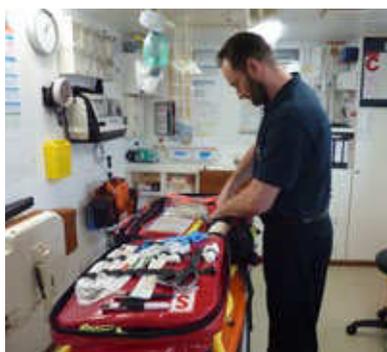
HD

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DOC

&gt; 90', 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) &gt; 2013

&gt; INDI Film, RBB, arte

Abdul, Brian und Farid are stranded in a secluded home for asylum seekers in the small town Belzig in the German region of Brandenburg. Starting from there, they are looking for a way into German society. Their imaginations clash with the Brandenburg people's mentality on village fetes, in government agencies and night clubs. Instead of evoking consternation, *Land in Sight* focuses on the unintended humour of those encounters.



### Angels of the North Sea

HD

&gt; 52' (GER, ENG subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; Die Herren Fernsehen, Autentic

The Neuwerk is the largest multi-purpose ship of the German Federal Coast Guard. With nearly 80 meter in length and 18,63 meter in width, it is the biggest ship of the four, tasked to ensure security in the North- and Baltic Sea. Whether there is an emergency breakdown or an overturn of barrels with unknown contents, for whatever emergency, within two hours the Neuwerk is on the scene. "As long as ships are cruising, we will be needed", says the captain, "because the main cause for accidents is human failure."



### The 100.000 Euro Babies

HD

&gt; 30', 45' (GER, ENG subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; megahertz, WDR

Strictly speaking, seven-year-old Greta has two fathers and two mothers: two German men Jens and Andreas, one surrogate mother and one egg donor from the United States of America. Since there is a law in Germany forbidding surrogacy and egg donation, Jens and Andreas were forced to take extreme measures in order to start a family. The gay couple was one of the first in Germany to conceive their child in this manner, effectively bringing a piece of the US culture to the EU.

### The Last Salon

HD

&gt; 52' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2016 &gt; mediavilm

After 42 years, Sissy Strauss leaves New York to move back to her hometown Vienna. The film gives an inside view of her famous Salon in New York and her pasta-parties, which featured private performances from singers such as Anna Netrebko and Juan Diego Flórez. Whether it be artists, directors, diplomats, or neighbours, everyone RSVPs, when they are invited to party with Sissy. What makes these meetings so special? Maybe it's the performances from global super stars of the opera in a small and private environment.





## Dating on the Dancefloor

HD

> 2 x 30', 65' (DUT, ENG subs) > 2016  
 > Van Osch Films, Omroep Brabant, Koppen XL, VRT

Heidelicht is a charming border cafe with an electronic barrel-organ only found in Flemish dance halls. The regular visitors are getting on in years and have a whole life behind them. Many of them have lost their partner. But here they find youth again, going around the boarded floor, checking each other out. Love is in the air. The dance floor is the place to be to get to know others. In our sequel we go back to see how our main characters are doing these days.



## Belly Dancers

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

> 80' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014 > Hupe Film, WDR

Age brings wrinkles, sagging breasts, menopause and a drop in libido. All that remains is to accept our mortality. That's what 28-year-old film maker Carolin thought, but then, in the middle of her quarter-life crisis, she discovers belly dancing! This is a story about breaking free of the restrictions placed on women, about the difficulties of menopause and the art of conquering the fear of aging.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Festival des deutschen Films Ludwigshafen: Audience Award 2013, Berlinale 2013 – Perspektive German Cinema



## The Best is Yet to Come

HD

> 2 x 52' (GER, FRE) > 2016 > WDR, arte, competent Film

Getting older is a gift – and it presents so many new opportunities. A story about active and dedicated retirees in Sweden, France and Germany who are changing society by leaving stereotypes behind. This documentary tells a touching story about this last phase of life. They have exited the world of work and are still in the prime of their lives. They can free themselves from conventional structures and build new relationships. They get involved – and feel good about it!

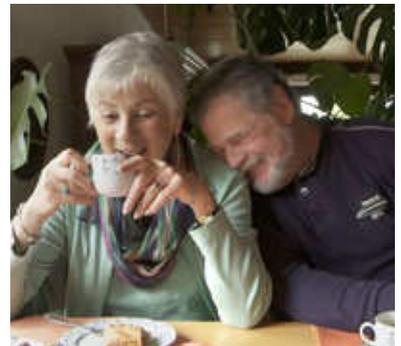


## The Future is Ours

HD

> 60' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014  
 > INDI Film, Filmakademie B-W, SWR

It was like a modern day fairy-tale: a personal ad is placed and two senior citizens meet, fall head-over-heels in love, and move into a house by the sea. But, unlike in fairy-tales, their story has just begun. You see, Peter (68) likes it nice and easy, while Hanne (70) prefers to pull up weeds. Hanne in turn becomes so stressed that she collapses. And Peter must deal with Hanne's jealous son. *The Future is Ours* is an oddly honest look at an elderly couple's young love.



**Free**

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

&gt; 52', 75' (CRO, ENG subs) &gt; 2016 &gt; Gral Film

*Free* follows the path to freedom of a group of intellectually disabled individuals, who are locked away in Croatian institutions. Ivan, Enes, Tina, Kruno, Mirko and Tomo are classified as outcasts of society with a dream of freedom. We will see them institutionalized, isolated, deprived of privacy and robbed of their right to make decisions. But after decades spent in institutions, they are informed of pending release. Come experience with us, what awaits them on the horizon.

**Karuna Grand Show**

HD

FEATURE  
DOC

&gt; 60', 80' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2015

&gt; Seipp Film, Whoopeefilm

The journey of a lifetime: a group of disabled Tibetan youngsters and nine Tibetan popstars touring 3,000 km throughout India to present a unique show. The diverse group became a family that is awaiting the highlight of their long journey: an audience at his holiness the Dalai Lama in Dharamsala, North India. Take a look at what disabled people are capable of!

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Fünf-Seen-Filmfestival 2016**A Knife Life**

HD

&gt; 52' (ITA, ENG subs) &gt; 2015 &gt; Kid Dandy

March 2014. The Coltelleria Lorenzi, a historic shop located in Via Monte Napoleone, closed. Founded in 1929, it was an essential reference point for a certain part of Milan. *A Knife Life* tells the story of a man who is in love with his job. But it would be impossible to narrate this without mentioning the role his wife Edda in his professional and emotional life. Get to know two complementary personalities who succeeded in building a life together by investing their energy into a successful project. A story about love and blades.





### Zeitgeist – Generation Y

HD

> 8 x 45' (GER, 1 EP ENG subs) > 2015  
> Slingshot Productions, Autentic

In the series *Zeitgeist* we accompany trendsetters in the Bavarian provincial capital, Munich. Trends appear in all social classes and they are as different as the people who perform them. From innovative to hazardous and from sustainable to profitable. Not every trend speaks to the masses and not every development suits the mainstream. We find various people and their exciting ways of living their lives.



### Get Started! From Idea to Success

HD

> 5 x 45' (GER, 1 EP ENG subs) > 2015 > Autentic, DHF Media

A series about people with courage, heart and mind. Often it's an ingenious idea, sometimes it's just the iron will to stand on one's own feet. In Germany almost 870.000 people founded an enterprise in 2013. Their optimism and energy, all paired with a risk capital of 10 billion euros make those people an important engine of German economy. *Get Started!* introduces them. Very different personalities, but all of them with the same goal: success!

### Corinne's Secret

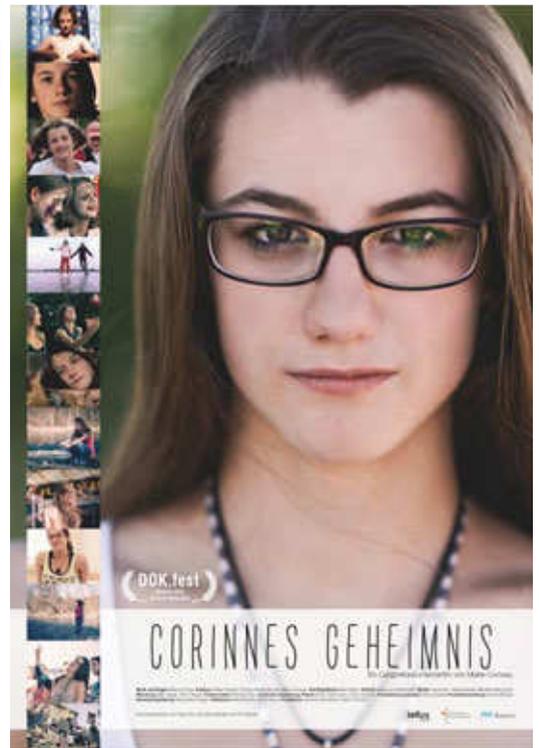
HD

**FEA  
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DOC**

> 90' (GER, ENG subs)  
30' (GER), 15' (GER)  
> 2015  
> Tellux Film, ZDF

Corinne is a lively 17 year old girl, who is soon to celebrate her 18th birthday. And she is HIV-positive. She contracted the virus at birth – from her mother, who died very young. AIDS is a disease that is afflicted with many prejudices and taboos, that's why her foster parents, who are afraid of mobbing, keep the disease a secret. Nobody knows about Corinne's disease – until now. A coming of age story, a mother-daughter story, a film about HIV nowadays.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** SI STAR – Award for best directing to Maïke Conway, Nomination Grimme Award 2016, Berlinale 2016, One World International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival Prague 2016, DOK.fest Munich 2015, 5 Seen Filmfestival 2015, Zimbabwe International Film Festival, ZIFF, Harare 2015, Taiwan Women Make Waves Film Festival (WMWFF) 2015



**Amnesia – When Life Becomes a Stranger**

HD

&gt; 45' (GER, ENG subs) &gt; 2015 &gt; Telekult, WDR, rbb, MDR

Two days after her 50th birthday Jeanette K. suddenly falls into a faint. She awakes in the hospital with her memory completely wiped clean – even her son is like a stranger to her. “I remember, he came through the door and I just thought, what a kind young man, maybe a nurse. I could not identify him.” She even had to learn her own name from the doctors. Soon came the diagnosis: amnesia! A restless search for the past begins. Acquaintances, friends, family – all the people that surround her she has to get to know again.

**Tall Girls**

HD

&gt; 60' (ENG, GER) &gt; 2013 &gt; Avanti Media

“I am one of those girls!”, the filmmaker and producer of this documentary stands at 186 cm. It took her 5 years to make this film, and why is that? The answer to this question is rooted in the discomfort experienced by women of above average height when having to discuss what for some is considered a huge flaw – their looming height. The internet is filled with young girls who despair over their growth and would do anything to make it stop. With this film we show how different life is as a tall woman.

**Junkie Monastery**

HD

> 50' (ENG, GER) > 2012  
> The Moving Visuals, AETN All Asia Networks

A hardcore drug addict enters the world's toughest rehab – Thamkrabok Monastery in Thailand. Will Aftab Qayum, a 32 year old Asian heroin and crack addict be able to kick his demons under the watchful eyes of the Thai monks and in the company of other addicts? Find out as we journey with him through his baptism of fire in *Junkie Monastery*.

**O'mast**

HD

&gt; 52' (ITA, ENG subs) &gt; 2011 &gt; Kid Dandy

In the craftsmen's language *O'mast* is the man in charge, the master. He is the one that really knows the craft. He gives the lines to follow, the style and the quality of the work. *O'mast* explores the culture and tradition of tailoring in Naples. For lovers of Italian culture and craftsmanship, it is a gentle but engaging glimpse of life in the city. Tailoring aficionados and industry heavyweights speak about their origins, views on style and how the city of Naples makes it all possible.





## CRIME

**Mafia Queens**

HD

> 4 x 50' (ENG, GER, ITA) > 2016 > DocLab/Media Mediterranea, A&E Networks, Leonardo Film, Autentic

For the first time, a prime-time television series reveals the intimate life of leading women bosses who are under police protection. The series offers an unprecedented view of the motivating factors that constituted these women's key roles in the criminal

organization and sheds light on the seemingly inconspicuous roles played by women in organized crime. These women have climbed to the top of their clans. They have changed the rules of the game and have incited a change that will forever change the Camorra.



### Devils in Disguise

HD

› 4 x 45' (GER, 1 Ep ENG subs) › 2016

› Kilimann TV-Produktion, WDR

A husband, who ends his wife's life, an innocent boy slaughtered by his best friend, a father guilty of erasing his entire family from the face of the earth and a social worker, who abuses children. These are the 'monsters' who walk among us. Have a look behind the scenes of four horrible tragedies that have resulted in death and endless mourning for the innocents involved. What were the motives behind these killings? How did the murderers plan their actions?

### The Benno Tapes

HD

› 55' (DUT, ENG subs) › 2015

› Van Osch Films, Omroep Brabant, TV West, L1

What happens to someone like Benno L. after being released from prison? How do agencies like probation offices deal with a rehabilitated paedophile? How does a man, who has done his time, deal with a society that would rather get rid of him? This uncomfortable story is told in our documentary. *The Benno Tapes* show his attempts to reintegrate into society and the struggles of a convict, the probation office, his lawyer, the city councils, and housing corporations.



### The Amanda Knox Saga

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER) › 2015 › Millstream Films, Autentic

For the first time ever the whole story of the Murder of Meredith Kercher and the subsequent incrimination of Amanda Knox, Raffaele Sollecito and Rudy Guede can be told. Shot on location over the course of 7 years in London, Perugia, Florence and Seattle, this is the definitive documentary of Europe's most sensational murder case. Also available: BBC's version of the film "Is Amanda Knox Guilty?"



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**NATURE****Mosquitos – Annoying Invaders**

HD

&gt; 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) &gt; 2015 &gt; ECO Media, ZDF, arte

Due to the various exotic species of mosquitoes that are now plaguing Europe, these bloodsuckers are prone to spread even deadly tropical diseases. Biologist Norbert Becker and his team are trying to battle midges in the Oberrhein area with special poison created to kill mosquito larvae. However, with climate change expediting the invasion of exotic midges like the "Asian Tiger Mosquito" and their pathogens, their task is proving to be quite difficult.

**How Animals Feel**

HD

> 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2016  
> Ilona Grundmann, ZDF, arte

Do animals have compassion? Are they capable of complex emotions such as empathy, altruism or fairness? It is proven that animals are smart. Also emotions such as joy or sadness are very common in the world of our four-legged friends. But now new results in behavioral research seem to revolutionize what we knew about the emotions of animals so far. Could then morality be a product of evolution that helps animals to survive?

**Do Animals Think?**

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs), 52' (GER, FRE) > 2013  
> Ilona Grundmann, ThoRa Film, WDR, arte

For a long time, animals were regarded as automatons which are guided by their instincts and merely react to simple stimuli. Primate research was the first to question this view. The film accompanies distinguished scientists who depart from previously accepted doctrines and also presents tests and field experiments which are used to examine the astonishing abilities of animals.

**Java in Jeopardy – Exploring the Volcano**

HD

&gt; 52' (GER, ENG, FRE) &gt; 2015 &gt; Hoferichter &amp; Jacobs, RBB, arte

Scientists regard it as one of the most dangerous volcanoes in the world. Time and again it has proven its deadly potential – Merapi, the Fire Mountain of Java. The risk of another serious eruption is high and could even have consequences which would be felt globally. Now scientists are looking for a thus far unknown tectonic disturbance: what is the crack which suddenly winds its way through the centre of the volcano? And what danger really lurks in the ground beneath the island of Java?



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## Operation Dolittle

HD

› 45' (GER), 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) › 2013  
› Ilona Grundmann, ThoRa Film, WDR, arte

Whether it's grunting, mooing or bellowing – animals have an astonishing range of voices. Scientists around the world are conducting research on these sounds. X-rays in Vienna, a wolf's head in the anechoic chamber of Humboldt University in Berlin and other experiments give insight into the work of the modern day Dr. Dolittles and showcase the impressive – and in some cases bizarre – means they use to attempt to interpret the language of animals.



## The Secret of Migrating Birds

HD

› 52' (ENG, GER, FRE) › 2012 › Hoferichter & Jacobs, rbb, arte

Each year in spring, Israel witnesses a unique spectacle. Many millions of migrating birds cross the land bridge between Africa, Asia and Europe. Their first major roosting place after an exhausting non-stop flight over the African deserts is in southern Israel. The flocks of migrating birds are pursued by flocks of ornithologists. Hundreds of birders flood into the port city of Eilat on the Red Sea to take part in the Migration Festival. For a week, Israel's southernmost coastal resort is home to international scientists and amateur birders.

## HUMAN

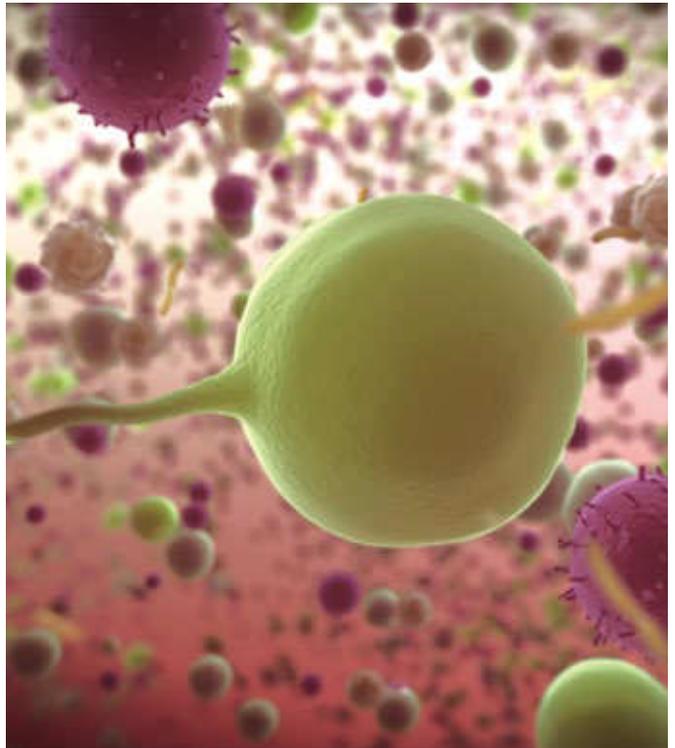
### Human Body

HD

› 2 x 45' (ENG, GER)  
› 2015  
› NHK, Autentic,  
Al Arabiya News Channel, MDR

Cells are the building blocks of human life. There are 60 Billion cells in adults and more than 200 different varieties. They have widely diverse activities that altogether govern human life and are becoming more and more visualized by way of cutting edge bio-imaging technologies. High resolution CGIs created based on such live images will take viewers on a grand journey to explore the stunning microscopic world within the human body and discover what cellular mechanisms are working to drive human life.

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**Catacombs of Palermo – Rosalia’s Secret****HD**

› 52' (ENG, GER) › 2010 › 3w productions, ZDF, Autentic

Deep down in the catacombs of Palermo more than one thousand mummies are buried below a Capuchin cloister: The greatest accumulation of preserved bodies worldwide. They lie in alcoves, rest in open or closed coffins or hang on the walls. Among them, what is believed to be the world’s best preserved corpse: The little girl Rosalia Lombardo lies in her little casket made of glass as if she was sleeping – after almost ninety years.

**TECHNOLOGY****Gold Rush in the Deep Sea****HD**› 52' (ENG, GER, FRE)  
› 2016  
› Gruppe 5, ZDF, arte

Manganese nodules are supposed to be the new source of iron for our technologised society. But them lying on the floor of the pacific, approximately four kilometers deep, poses a big problem. Can industrial mining retrieve these nodules? What will happen to the deep-sea ecosystem if man reaches for this last untouched part of the earth? We accompany scientists on the research vessel SONNE during their expedition to the Manganese Nodule Belt, where they search for answers that may determine our future.

**Harbour of the Future****HD**

› 52' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) › 2016 › ZDF, arte

Plans for future harbours must begin now: new developments must be anticipated and trends must be recognized. With the growing sizes of container ships, harbours have to handle increased amounts of cargo in shorter time frames. Consequently, the digitalized era has infiltrated the harbours. We will show you how with autonomous vehicles, cargo can be delivered to storage independent of drivers and containers can be unloaded from the comfort of the office. But wouldn't an automated harbour make workers obsolete?





## The Eye

3D HD

> 45' (ENG, GER) > 2010 > parallax raumprojektion, fact+film

In June 2009, a film crew of German 3D film experts travelled to Chile's Atacama Desert, one of the most arid places on earth. Here is home to the VLT (Very Large Telescope) of the European Southern Observatory (ESO). Along with stunning views of the telescopes and clear explanations of how such a technology masterpiece functions, the movie also showcases the life of astronomers, engineers, physicists and technicians at a scientific outpost in the desert.



## EDUCATION

### Science Clips

HD

> 357 x 5-8' (ENG, GER) > 2013-2016 > Bilderfest, WDR

Check out these great short videos with awesome experiments and experience firsthand chemistry in action. The videos comprise of biology basics, the amazing processes of the human body, advanced robots, the latest in technology and much more. Germany's biggest public broadcaster ARD regularly produces state of the art science magazines including science clips that take the audience on exciting, entertaining and educating journeys.

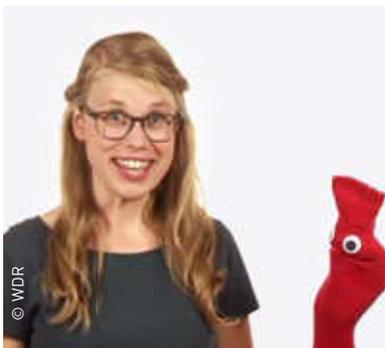


### Nine and a Half

HD

> 100 x 10' (GER) > 2004-2017 > tvision, WDR

Why are there no strawberries in strawberry yoghurt? Who protects us from terror and terrorists? Why do we need manners? These are questions that every child ponders at one point in their lives. They never get tired of asking questions and this weekly report for children gives them all the answers. The topics range from current affairs, politics and economics to science and society.



### German with Sock

HD

> 26 x 2', 4 x 15' (GER) > 2015-2016  
> Puppet Empire, Nachtmann-Silies, WDR

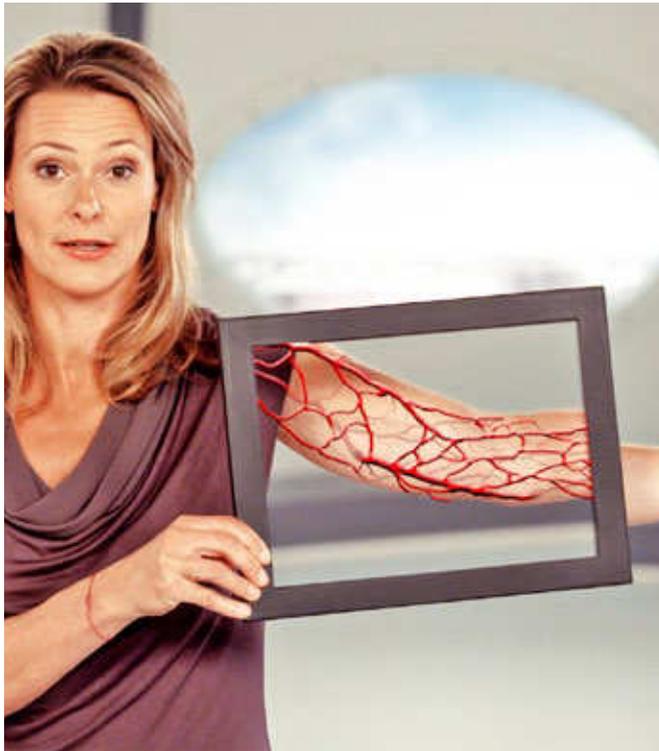
The odd duo Esther and sock are quite a fiasco: sock is naughty, red, very stubborn – and, as the name implies, a sock! Together with Esther sock gets to know the world and the German language. Since sock likes to say a lot of nonsense, Esther has to explain everything with a lot of patience. *German With Sock* allows children with little or no German skills to playfully approach the German language. Thanks to sock's crazy ideas they are always having a good laugh.

**Ah – I Got It!**

HD

› 30' (GER) *long running series* › 2011–2017 › tvision, WDR

*Ah – I Got It!* is the format that raises all those questions we've always asked ourselves and gives us the answers we always wished we knew. Each episode features five different topics presented by two sassy young hosts. Knowledge is fun – and their job is to make it even more fun through their cheekiness and irresistible good nature. Already comprising of over 1,500 different topics, *Ah – I Got It!* offers an enormous variety of surprising facts and information from every walk of life.

**Science Buzz**

HD

› 2'–5' (GER, 3 EP ENG subs)

*long running series*

› 2008–2014

› WDR mediagroup, Pro InSpace, Storyhouse, Bavaria Entertainment

The informative *Science Buzz* in its concise format conveys knowledge in an entertaining manner, offers stimulating points of view and arouses people's curiosity. The program is divided into four main topics: Workshop, which focuses primarily on scientific experiments and everyday phenomena, Future, where we scrutinise pioneering technologies and inventions, Nature, which explains the native flora and fauna and Human, which deals with topics relating to health, psychology or the human anatomy.

**Reports in English**

HD

› 14 × 15', 12 × 10' (ENG) › 2007–2013 › WDR

The series *Reports in English* offers films about geography, history and civilisation of the English speaking world which are not only suitable for studies in English but also bilingual subjects like science and politics. *Reports in English* introduces teens from various countries by presenting their lifestyle and personalities. We follow students in Canada, the USA, London or Cornwall and even behind the scenes of a film production in Ireland.



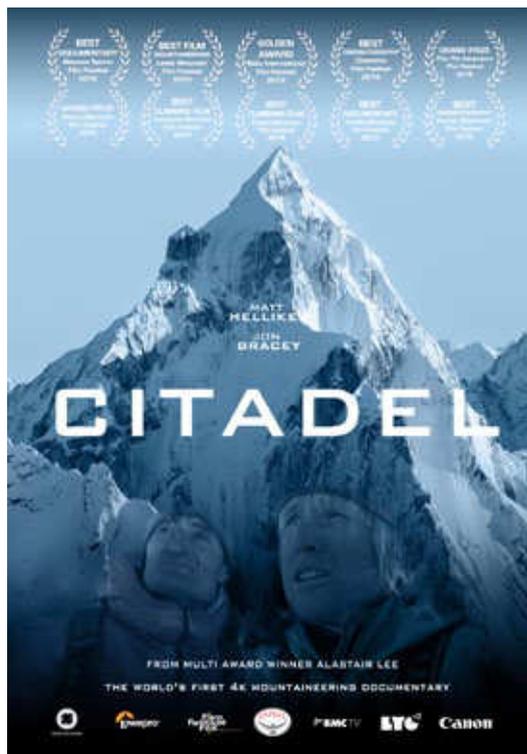
A person with long hair, seen from behind, is rappelling down a rope. The background is a solid, vibrant red. The person is wearing dark pants and a harness. The overall mood is adventurous and dynamic.

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### Citadel

4K

FEATURE DOC

> 60' (ENG)  
> 2015  
> Posing Productions

Dubbed 'The Mountain God', the Citadel stands at a stunning 3,000 m in one of the remaining untouched corners of the Great Alaskan Range: the Neacola Mountains, which are largely unexplored due to their typically poor conditions and remote location. Matt Helliker and Jon Bracey aim to make the first ascent up the extraordinary 1,200 m long northwest ridge. We take a front seat ride and are with them on every step of the way through all the hardships and struggles, disappointments and hopes.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Golden Award, Baku International Film Festival 2016, Best Documentary, Sports Film Festival Moscow 2016, Best Cinematography, Chamonix Adventure Film Festival 2016, Grand Prize, Flix Mountain & Adventure Film Festival 2016, Best Climbing Film, Flix Mountain & Adventure Film Festival 2016, Grand Prize, Verona Mountain Film Festival 2016, Best Climbing Film, Vancouver Mountain Film Festival 2016, UIAA Best Climbing Film, Trento Film Festival 2016, Best Cinematography, Danish Adventure Film Festival 2015, Best Documentary, Toretto Mountain Film Festival 2015 UIAA Best Climbing Film, Trento Film Festival 2016



### Messner

HD

FEATURE DOC

> 105' (GER, FRE, ENG subs) > 2013 > Explorer Media, BR, arte

Climbing scenes shot on location and aerial filming of impressive mountain landscapes are complemented by emotional interviews. Unique archive material completes the picture of a man who saw himself as "conqueror of the useless". This is a film about Reinhold Messner's personality and his extraordinary exploits.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** German Film- and Media Rating: Highly Recommended, Grand Prix of the 30. Festival de Cinema de Muntanya de Torelló, Audience Award-Trento Filmfestival, Grand Prix Graz 2012-Mountainfilm Graz, Associazione Montagna Milano 2014, Orobie Film Festival Bergamo 2014, Ponteresina Switzerland 2015, Sestriere Film Festival 2015, Verona Mountain Film Festival 2016

### Extreme Canyoning

3D

FEATURE DOC

> 75' (ENG, GER) > 2013 > Busch Media Group

*Extreme Canyoning* accompanies five exceptional athletes on adrenaline-packed adventures that push them to their limits. This special takes viewers to the most exclusive 'canyoning' hot spots in Ticino, Switzerland. Using 3D technology and a remote-controlled camera drone, viewers can enjoy unique and unseen views of fearless adventurers against an impressive natural backdrop. Experience climbers at dizzying heights, challenging spectacular waterfalls and attempting daring jumps.





## Tour de Tirol

4K

- > 50' (ENG, GER)
- > 2016
- > Busch Media Group

On your mark! Get set! Boom! 42 years old Alexander Bille, a hobby runner from the flatlands, takes on the Tour de Tirol – a three-day-stage race of about 75 km with 3,650 metres of altitude. With his strength, determination and the camera as eager companions, Alexander shows just what it takes to make it to the finish line. The Tour de Tirol is a unique race of high standards with the beautiful mountain scenery of the Austrian Alps as its backdrop. Alex knew it would be hard, but he did not know just HOW hard it was going to be.

## Berlin2Shanghai

HD

- > 5 × 30' (GER, ENG subs) > 2013
- > Lavafilm, Ziegler Film, SWR, Rai 5

Two brothers, two bikes, 13,000 kilometres. Identical twins, Paul and Hansen, take on a challenge to travel by bicycle from Berlin to Shanghai in seven months. A spectacular journey that takes the two brothers to the limits of their physical and mental endurance. With tents and sleeping mats, they map their route eastwards, recording their experiences and feelings in video diaries. Immediate, unadulterated authenticity is what you get from this trip.



## Going Northwest – Greenland by Ship

HD

- > 52' (GER, ENG subs) > 2009 > rk-film

From Bremerhaven to Greenland – for Morten Hansen, the captain of the “MS Albatros”, this voyage is like a dream come true. He is following the course of his Norwegian ancestors, the Vikings. But first, they have to cross the stormy Atlantic Ocean, where he has to fight 10 meter high waves. The journey via the Davis Strait takes us along the west coast into Baffin Bay; the closer we get to the west coast, the stranger it becomes: demonic sea monsters, frozen mythical figures and gigantic ice cathedrals rise out of the sea.





**Inside Gaming**

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016 > Lupus Media, Autentic

Gamescom in Cologne has slowly grown into the worldwide biggest fair for interactive electronic entertainment. Every year it is a highlight for the whole industry. Software and hardware producers, eSports event organizers and fair booth builders are pushing the limits to manage the huge logistic effort that enables a gathering of nearly 350.000 people. *Inside Gaming* will examine how the gaming industry developed and how it got to grow from a diverting amusement to a sports discipline with which pro gamers can fill huge stadiums.



**World of Games – The Rise of eSports**

HD

FEA  
TURE  
DOC

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2016  
> Perspektive Medienproduktion, WDR

Every summer, Cologne opens its doors to the world's largest exhibition for electronic sports: the Gamescom. But for many, the mere utterance of the term "electronic sport" leaves a bad taste in their mouths. Despite this, several hundred million people around the world still compete in leagues and take part in competitions – not just for points but also for highly coveted prize money. Experts forecast the imminent rise of eSports into a global mega-trend.

**Keep Surfing**

HD

FEA  
TURE  
DOC

> 90' (GER, ENG subs) > 2009 > pipelinepictures, DIE BASISBerlin

*Keep Surfing* tells the story of an unlikely passion in a place that is widely known as Oktoberfest City. Munich, the town of beer drinkers and pretzel lovers, has become home to a surfing crowd who pursue happiness by riding river waves far from the ocean; by going against the flow they have found their place in life.

**FESTIVALS & AWARDS** Filmfest Munich 2010, Audience Award, International Filmfestival Warsaw 2010, Audience Award, Video Champion – The German Home Entertainment "Oscar" for DVD and Blu-Ray in the category Special Interest, Hawaii International Filmfestival, 2010, Tribeca Filmfestival, 2010



**Ecstasy and Shock – The Football Capital Buenos Aires**

HD

> 45' (GER, ENG subs) > 2014 > Riesenbuhei Entertainment, WDR

Buenos Aires: the world capital of football. No other city in the world has been host to so many football matches. But the pleasure of football is marred by violence and corruption. The fanatical and often violent fans come together in the so called "Barras Bravas" and cause all sorts of mischief. Fans of away teams are prohibited from entering Argentine stadiums for reasons of safety. In the time it took to film this documentary, three fans died during shootouts.



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