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ArtHood Entertainment GmbH is a Berlin-based world sales company for Arthouse and Auteur cinema focused on films from the Middle East, a region gaining more and more political, economic and cultural importance.

Its sister company **ArtHood Films** is an emerging vibrant production company, built upon its unique access to creatives and projects linked to the Middle East, that strives for diversity in themes, talents and production styles and promotes collaboration between Middle Eastern productions and the German as well as European film industry.

The companies aim to facilitate European and global market access for aspiring Middle Eastern filmmakers both through (co-)production and world sales representation, thus paving the way for creative and intercultural dialogue.

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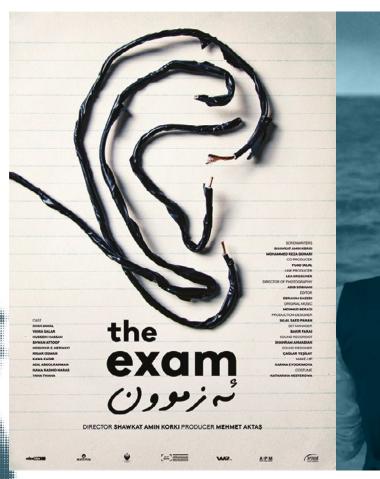
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The Exam (Ezmûn)

Synopsis

Rojin is a young Kurdish-Iraqi woman about to take the university entrance exam. If she fails, she will be forced into arranged marriage. Rojin's unhappily married older sister Shilan decides to help her pass, at any cost.

Drama Feature DE, KRG, QAT 2021 89 Min. Kurdish





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Crew

Director: Shawkat Amin Korki Producer: Mehmet Aktaş (mîtosfilm) Co-producer: Foad Jalal (Masti Film) Screenwriter: Shawkat Amin Korki Cinematographer: Adib Sobhani Editor: Ebraim Saeedi Music (Original Score): Mehmûd Berazî Production Designer: Jalal Saed Panah Costume Design: Katharina Nesterowa

Main Cast

Avan Jamal Vania Salar Hussein Hassan Shwan Attoof Hoshyar Nerwayi





Pure White (Bembeyaz)

Synopsis

Vural, a husband and a father who was raised in faith, leads a seemingly pious and conformist life. Yet, everything takes a sudden dark turn when he learns a truth that will force him to confront his views on religion and morality.

Crime, Drama Feature TR 2021 97 Min. Turkish



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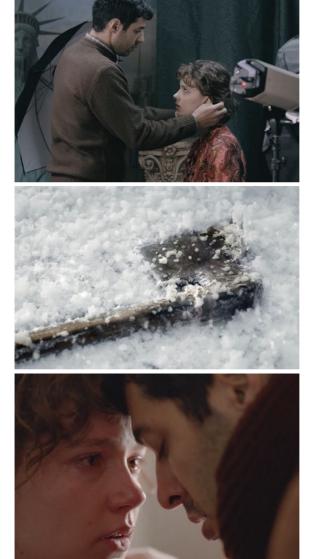
Crew

Director: Necip Çağhan Özdemir Producer: Ahmet Berk Özdemir (Ganador Film) Screenwriter: Necip Çağhan Özdemir Cinematographer: Hayk Kirakosyan Editor: Ali Aga Production Designer: Osman Özcan Costume Design: Seda Yılmaz

Main Cast

Mert Fırat Ece Çeşmioğlu İnanç Konukçu Rıza Akın Kubilay Tuncer





Namo (The Alien)

Synopsis

A wave of paranoia is unleashed among the neighbors of an Iranian town by the daily presence of two strangers in a parked car, possibly from the national security. The tense climate triggers a witch hunt in the community.

Drama Feature IR 2020 90 Min. Farsi, Turkish, Kurdish



Crew

Director: Nader Saeivar Producer: Mastane Mohajer (Avay-E-Nafas Studio) Tahora Aborghasemi Co-Producer: Baharak Ramazani Screenwriter: Jafar Panahi, Nader Saeivar Cinematographer: Vahid Biuote Editor: Jafar Panahi Music (Original Score): Tarife Karimiyan Production Design: Saman Iranzadeh Costumes: Reza Azadgar

Main Cast

Bakhtiyar Panjeei Sevil Shirgi Naser Hashemi Hadi Eftekharzadeh



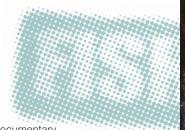




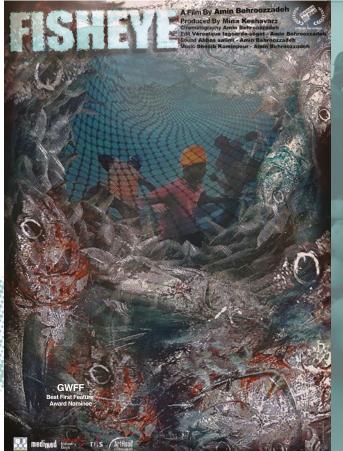
Fish Eye (Cheshm Maahi)

Synopsis

A socially critical and visually poetical essay reflecting on the everyday life onboard the "Parsian Shila", an Iranian fishing vessel with a majorly African crew, while they are on a merciless hunt for fish on an industrial scale.



Documentary Feature IR 2020 70 Min. Afrikaan, Farsi, English





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Official Selection

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Crew

Director: Amin Behroozzadeh Producer: Mina Keshavarz (Mindoc Film Production) Cinematographer: Amin Behroozzadeh Editor: Veronique Lagoarde Segot, Amin Behroozzadeh Music (Original Score): Amin Behroozzadeh, Shoaib Kaminpour

Participants

Francis Komi Soleyman Mirzai John Enchill Hamed Hajipour







Silenced Tree (Ceviz Ağacı)

Synopsis

Hayati, a small-town literature teacher and a one hit wonder author who leads a passive life and clings to his past, is confronted with the question: is standing idle while witnessing evil being done just is as much of a sin as doing it?

Drama Feature TR/IR 2020 118 Min. Turkish



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Crew

Director: Faysal Soysal Producer: Faysal Soysal (Balkon Film) Co-Producer: Ali Noori Oskouei (Eshragh Film) Screenwriter: Faysal Soysal Cinematographer: Vedat Özdemir Editor: Mostafah Khergepoosh Music (Original Score): Payam Azadi Production Design: Barış Yıldırım

Main Cast

Serdar Orçin Sezin Akbaşoğulları Ali Mert Yavuzcan Kübra Kip







UPCOMING Post-production

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Black Night (Karanlık Gece)

Crime, Drama Feature TR 2021 113 min. Turkish



Synopsis

After 8 years of self-inflicted exile Ishak reluctantly returns to his hometown. There, he must face the demons of his own past and inevitably confront his old community, who is reluctant to uncover its deeply buried sins.

Crew

Director: Özcan Alper Producer: Soner Alper (Nar Films) Co-Producer: Said Akkuş (Arthood Films) Screenwriter: Özcan Alper, Murak Uyurkulak Cinematographer: Yunus Roy Imer Editor: Osman Bayraktaroğlu Music (Original Score): Elif Taşçıoğlu, Elif Öner Rozenberg

Main Cast

Berkay Ateş Cem Yiğit Üzümoğlu Pınar Deniz Taner Birsel Sibel Kekilli

UPCOMING * Post-production

The Absent Director

Drama, Experimental Feature IR 2021 86 Min. Farsi, English



Synopsis

A young theatre company is rehearsing Macbeth in their director's home in Tehran. The director works with them from Paris over Skype. Their rehearsals are disturbed when the director's lifeless body shows up on their doorstep.

Crew

Director: Arvand Dashtaray

Producer: Hossein Akbari (Virgule FPAC) Screenwriter: Naghmeh Samini Cinematographer: Peyman Shadmanfar Editor: N/A Music (Original Score): Ehsan Sedigh Art Director: Arvand Dashtaray

Main Cast

Marene van Holk Arvand Dashtaray Azadeh Mirzaei Diba Khatami

UPCOMING Post-production

Wandering Winter

Drama Feature IR 2021 80 Min. Farsi



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Synopsis

Sam, a lonesome man, broken down by his divorce and unemployment, loses his last friend, his dog, to the clutches of Iran's bureaucratic hell. What hardships must he go through, what sacrifices will he make and what lines will he cross in order to save man's best friend?

Crew

Director: Shahrokh Panahi Producer: Hamidreza Aligholian Screenwriter: Shahrokh Panahi, Marzieh Najmabadi Cinematographer: Amir Parchami Editor: Hamidreza Aligholian Music (Original Score): Ali Reza Ezatian

Main Cast

Shahram Masoumi Elham Nami Hadi Saidi Mani Panahi

UPCOMING Post-production

Winners (Barandeha)

Drama Feature IR 2021 Farsi



Synopsis

A poor Afghan cinema loving boy from a small Iranian village stumbles upon a surprising item in the form of a shiny golden statue of a man, and embarks on a journey to find out what other treasures might be hiding in his town.

Crew

Director: Hassan Nazer Producer: Nadira Murray (Slyph Productions) Co-Producer: Mohsen Mosaferchi Screenwriter: Hassan Nazer Director of Photography: Arash Seify Editor: Mohammad Reza Jouze, Hamid bashe Ahanger Music (Original Score): Saeed Shayan Art Director: Mohammad Mohammady

Main Cast

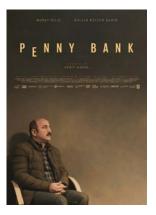
Reza Naji Hossein Abedini Pasrsa Maghami Helia Mohammadkhani Mahmood J'afari

UPCOMING Post-production

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Drama Feature TR 2020 94 Min. Türkish

Penny Bank (Kumbara)

Taking care of his comatose

mother puts a strain on every

middle-aged family man Orhan.

mother's life is the right choice for

Eventually he must face the dilemma whether preserving his

Murat Çelik, Gülçin Kültür Şahin

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aspect in the life of the

everyone else's. Director: Ferit Karol

Main Cast

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Golden Orange

Film Festival

Producer: Nefes Polat

Mert Ates, Onur Gökcek

Logline



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Drama Feature TR 2020 80 Min. Turkish

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Plaza

Logline

Emre is a failed geography teacher now working as a guard. Being unsuccessful in his new job as well, he ends up guarding an empty old Plaza Hotel, but the place turns out to be not as abandoned as expected.

Director: Nuri Anıl Gelberi Producer: Okan Üzey

Main Cast Onur Berk, Deniz Altan, Adnan Devran







Drama, LGBTQ+ Feature TR 2019 96 Min. Turkish

Love, Spells and All That (Aşk, Büyü vs.)

Logline

Reunited 20 years after the end of their ill-fated love affair, two women embark on a day-long journey around the charming island of Büyükada to try and lift an old spell while taking a trip down memory lane.

Director: Ümit Ünal Producer: M. Tayfur Aydın

Main Cast

Selen Uçer, Ece Dizdar, Ayşenil Şamlıoğlu, Damla Ersan, Murat Toprak





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LGBTIQ+, Drama, Coming of Age Feature TR 2019 95 Min. Turkish

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Not Knowing (Bilmemek)

Logline

Umut is a gentle and quiet high-school senior, trying to live his life in a complicated world. When a rumor starts regarding his orientation, he refuses to comment. As the situation spirals out of control, his parents must face their lack of answers to life.

Director: Leyla Yılmaz Producer: Ateş İlyas Başsoy, Leyla Yılmaz, Christopher Elsey, Evrengül Parlar

Main Cast

Emir Özden, Senan Kara, Yurdaer Okur, Levent Üzümcü









Comedy, Drama Feature TR 2019 94 Min. Turkish

La Belle Indifference (Küçük Şeyler)

Logline

The comfortable middle-class life of Onur and Bahar takes a turn for the worse when Onur loses his job and becomes detached from reality. The couple's story, presented through episodic narration, reveals a persistent sense of solitude throughout the changing climates.

Director: Kıvanç Sezer Producer: Kanat Doğramacı Tolga Karaçelik, Kıvanç Sezer

Main Cast

Alican Yücesoy , Başak Özcan Bülent Emrah Parlak, Müfit Kayacan





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Drama, Fantasy Feature IR/CZ 2019 104 Min. Farsi, Pashayi

Leakage (Nasht)

Logline

One day Fooziye, a middle aged woman, discovers that crude oil is coming out of her body. This unusual yet empowering phenomenon awakens her hope for a better future but triggers paranoia in the people around her.

Director: Suzan Iravanian **Producer:** Majid Barzegar (Rainy Pictures Production)

Main Cast

Armik Gharibian, Ziba Eslamloo Hasti Khaledi, Saeed Saeedy





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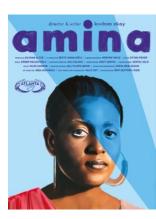


Amina



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Darkhoongah



Documentary Feature TR/SN 2019 70 Min. French, Turkish, Wolof Logline Amina, an African immigrant woman living in Turkey, tries to hold on to life through her dreams against the challenges of life.

Director: Kıvılcım Akay **Producer:** Aslıhan Altuğ (Akay Film)

Main Cast Aminata Fall, Aminata Gaye Amina Qaha Khalil, Asli Filinta Demir





Neo-Noir Feature IR 2019 110 Min. Farsi

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Logline

Reza returns from Japan to start a new business using his savings from the past 8 years, but his family hides something that could threaten his plans.

Director: Siyavosh Asadi Producer: Mansour Sohrabpour

Main Cast

Amin Hayee, Jaleh Sameti, Mehraveh Sharifinia, Mahmoud Jaffari











Drama Feature **TR/BG/DE 2018** 103 Min. Turkish

Yusuf has been imprisoned for committing an "honor killing" of his sister, covering-up for his older brother, the actual murderer. Upon his release the brothers meet again and Yusuf's regret becomes a threat to the family.

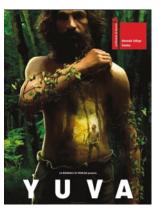
Director: Ömür Atay Producer: Funda Ödemiş (Atay Film)

Main Cast

Yiğit Ege Yazar, Caner Şahin Gözde Mutluer, Cem Zeynel Kılıç







Drama Feature TR 2018 120 Min. Turkish

CATALOGUE

Yuva

Logline

A breathtaking visual experience of a life lived in nature, telling the story of Veysel who lives in the woods and his brother who arrives to convince him to leave the magical place.

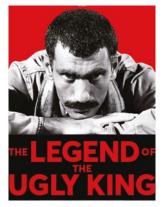
Director: Emre Yeksan Producer: Anna Maria Aslanoğlu

Main Cast

Kutay Sandıkçı, Eray Cezayirlioğlu, İmren Sengel, Okan Bozkusl







Documentary Feature DE 2018 122 Min. Kurdish, Turkish, English, German. French

The Legend of the Ugly King (Die Legende vom hässlichen König)

Logline

A young filmmaker sets out to explore the eventful life of the famous Kurdish director, actor, and revolutionary Yilmaz Güney.

Director: Hüseyin Tabak Producer: Mehmet Aktas

Main Cast

Toronto International Film Festival Toronto

Tarik Akan, Patrick Blossier, Costa-Gavras, Leyla Demirezen

Göteborg Göteborg International Film Festival

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Drama Feature TR 2018 92 Min. Turkish

Road to the Moon (Aydede)

Logline

When Bekir's beloved grandfather passes away, he is told by the family that his grandfather turned into a "moon grandpa". Bekir becomes determined to pay him a visit, while around him the grownups are struggling with inheritance disputes.

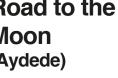
Director: Abdurrahman Öner Producer: Arzu Senses

Main Cast

Ezgi Mola, Bilal Zeynel Çelik, Mehmet Özgür, Reha Özcan









Gold Runner (Hammal-e Tala)



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House Without Roof (Haus Ohne Dach)

Logline

Three siblings who were born in the Kurdish area of Iraq and grew up in Germany are set on a mission to bury their mother in her place of birth and must deal with external and internal hostility alike.

Director: Soleen Yusef Producer: Mehmet Aktas

Main Cast Murat Seven, Sasun Sayan, Mina Ö. Sağdıc, Wedad Sabri



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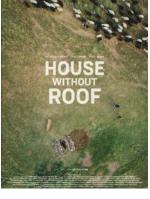
Dark Comedy Feature IR 2018 86 Min. Farsi Logline The gold carrier Reza is robbed and must compensate for his losses. Together with his friend Louie he develops an ingenious plan, but there are some challenges to be mastered.

Director: Touraj Aslani Producer: Touraj Aslani

Main Cast

Payman (Hossein) Ahmandinia Saeid Aghakhani, Lotfollah Seyfi, Jhale Sameti

Busan International Film Festival CATALOGUE



Drama Feature DE 2017 117 Min. German, Kurdish, English



Thriller

Feature

TR 2017

106 Min.

English, Turkish

German, Kurdish, Arabic,

The Milan Protocol (Das Milan-Protokoll)



Logline



The German doctor Martina is kidnapped by a Sunnite group in Iraq. Her confinement becomes for her mind and her loyalty, leading her to question the meaningfulness of her own existence.

Director: Peter Ott Producer: Mehmet Aktas

Main Cast

Catrin Striebeck, Erol Afsin, Christoph Bach, Samy Abdel Fattah

International Film Festival Mannheim-Heidelberg CATALOGUE ---



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Drama Feature TR 2017 93 Min. Turkish



Logline

Murtaza and his blind wife Sabure live in a village up in the mountains of Malatya while their children have moved to Istanbul. When bad news reaches Murtaza one day, he decides to spare his wife the pain by plotting an ever-growing web of deceit.

Director: Özgür Sevimli Producer: Sevil Demirci

Main Cast

Cezmi Baskın, Meral Çetinkaya, Mine Teber, Kadim Yaşar









Drama Feature TR 2016 101 Min. Turkish, Kurdish

My Father's Wings (Babamın Kanatları)



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Drama Feature DE 2016 92 Min. Kurdish

Karlovy Vary International Film Festival

Menderes Samancilar, Musab Ekici,

Kubra Kip, Tansel Öngel

CATALOGUE

Reseba -The Dark Wind (Reseba)

Logline

Shortly after their engagement, a Yezidi couple is separated by war and searches for a way to reunite despite all its horrors. Will true love overcome "The Dark Wind"?"

Director: Hussein Hassan Producer: Mehmet Aktas

Main Cast

Rekesh Shabaz, Diman Zandi, Maryam Boobani, Adil Abdolrahman







Memories of The Wind (Rüzgârın Hatıraları)

Logline



Drama Feature TR/DE/FR/GE 2015 124 Min. Turkish

The film addresses the issues of ethnicity and belonging and conveys how it feels to be across the borders, both the physical and emotional, of those struggling to exist at the margins of a society.

Crew

Director: Özcan Alper Producer: Soner Alper, Ersin Celik

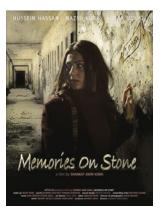
Main Cast

Onur Saylak, Sofya Khandamirova Mustafa Uğurlu, Ebru Özkan

Rotterdam International Film Festival World Film Festival



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Drama Feature DE, IQ 2015 97 Min. Kurdish

Memories on Stone (Bîranînen li ser kevirî)

Logline

When two Kurdish friends wish to produce a film about the genocide of Kurdish people in Irag, they must decide how much is worth putting on the line to achieve their dream.

Crew

Director: Shawkat Amin Korki Producer: Mehmet Aktas (mîtosfilm)

Main Cast

Bangen Ali, Hussein Hassan Ali, Shima Molaei, Nazmi Kirik

Antalya International Film Festival

Fantasporto Film Festival

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Before Snowfall (Før snøen faller)

Synopsis

A young man who leaves his country to find his sister in order to perform an honor killing is set on a journey full of trials and life lessons.

Director: Hisham Zaman Producer: Finn Gjerdrum, Stein B. Kvae

Main Cast Abdullah Taher, Suzan Ilir, Bahar Ozen, Billey Demirtas

Tribeca Film Festival

Göteborg International Film Festival S. C. C.



Drama Feature TR 2015 90 Min. Turkish

east of Turkey during the months of the 1980 military coup, who struggle against the severe cold weather and the coldness of humanity.

The story of three boys in the far

Director: Faruk Hacihafizoglu Producer: Faruk Hacihafizoglu

Main Cast

Logline

Taha Tegin Özdemir, Yakup Özgür Kurtaal, Ömer Uluc, Isa Mastar

Singapore International Film Festival Berlin International Film Festival SKIT. ALLER A

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Feature

96 Min.

Kurdish

DE/NOR/IQ 2013



SaroyanLand (SaroyanLand)



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Biography Documentary TR 2013 72 Min. Turkish, English, Armenian Logline A Docu-Drama that traces the journey of self-discovery taken by the famous writer William Saroyan back to the birthplace of his Armenian family Bitlis, Turkey in 1964.

Director: Lusin Dink Producer: Soner Alper

Main Cast Norikyan Artur, Kevork Malikyan, Sevinç Erol, Ara Mgrdichian

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Locarno International Film Festival CATALOGUE ---

İstanbul International Film Festival Drama

Feature

116 Min.

TR/BA 2013

English, Turkish Bosnian, Kurdish

Crossroads (Üç Yol)

Logline

Benjamin is a volunteer in Bosnia, dealing with the gruesome aftermath of the war while trying to get away from his own devastating past in Turkey, which still haunts his dreams. To cope he must return home to heal old wounds and possibly, face new love.

Director: Faysal Soysal **Producer:** Faysal Soysal

Main Cast

Kristina Krepela, Nik Xhelilaj Turgay Aydin, Alma Terzic





Drama

Feature

108 Min.

TR/DE/FR 2011

Turkish, Kurdish, Armenian

Future Lasts Forever (Gelecek Uzun Sürer)

Logline



A young university music student, Sumru, is taking a trip to south-east Turkey for her research on elegies. What was planned as a brief trip turns out to be the longest journey of her life.

Director: Özcan Alper Producer: Soner Alper, Ersin Celik

Main Cast

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Gaye Gürsel, Durukan Ordu, Sarkis Seropyan, Osman Karakoc

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Drama Feature DE 2008 99 Min. Turkish, Georgian

Autumn (Sonbahar)

Logline

Released from prison after a long stay for political activism, Yousuf is taken by his friend Mikail on a healing vacation. There he bonds with a woman whose life has taken her places she never wanted to go.

Director: Özcan Alper Producer: Serkan Acar

Main Cast

Onur Saylak, Megi Kobaladze, Serkan Keskin, Raife Yenigül

Locarno International Film Festival



Rotterdam Rotterdam International

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