

## C'est si bon!

Every year the French Film Festival provides a kaleidoscopic snapshot of recent film-making from France, a rare opportunity to discover the genuine pulse of le cinéma français over and above the few assorted titles which eventually find their way around UK cinemas during the rest of the 12 months.

With the 11th edition the festival enters its second decade with exactly the same energy, commitment and ideals as when it began all those years ago. Many of the organising team remain the same, providing knowledge and continuity; new talents have joined in to volunteer fresh vigour, insights and enthusiasm. Our links within the French industry and in particular our colleagues within Unifrance; the Ambassade de France's cultural department, as well as the Alliance française and the Institut français d'Ecosse, have been fostered and strengthened, placing the festival in a unique and privileged position to source both films and guests.

As organisers we have taken pleasure in the loyalty and genuine appreciation shown by audiences who have risen steadily as the event has expanded, now proudly serving four cities in Scotland (Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen and Dundee) as well as an expanded presence in the heart of London at the CincLumière in Knightsbridge, which does sterling service in promoting French, European and World cinema throughout the year.

Other festivals, touring events and venues, of course, turn their attention to film-making in France on a sporadic basis but the French Film Festival is the ultimate showcase where you can be sure of finding an exciting mix of boulevard successes, auteur hits, emerging falents, tributes to France's celluloid history and traditions, as well as an array of guests from both sides of the frame. Some titles we would have dearly wished to have included have been denied us, occasionally for understandable logistical reasons but also because some companies have failed to grasp the importance of fostering a climate through the festival to enable more French films to find UK distribution by whetting the appetites of audiences.

The momentum set by Amélie which last year scored almost ten million admissions outside France, must not be allowed to languish. It wasn't

just the Amélie-effect - French language films scored 38million viewers overseas, double the previous year's tally. The head of Unifrance, Daniel Toscan du Plantier, has spoken enthusiastically about the diversity of the most popular titles - from the comedy of Le Placard, to the action spectacular Les rivières pourpres and the dark fantasy Le pacte des longs.

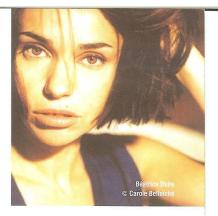
So what's in store for 2002? We've long wanted to pay tribute to the "son of the New Wave", Jean-Pierre Léaud who has become part of the legendary fabric of French film history - from his work with Truffaut and Godard to the newer generation of Olivier Assayas, Marion Vernoux, Betrand Bonello, Lucas Belvaux, Daniele Dubroux and Catherine Breillat. A new documentary made by Serge Le Péron who worked with him on Laffaire Marcorelle (presented at the French Film Festival three years ago) has provided the ideal excuse. It's a fascinating and original portrait of Léaud's elusive nature which we hope will be enhanced by his presence.

In Panorama you will find new films by Patrice Leconte, Nicole Garcia, Cédric Klapish, Coline Serrreau, Michel Blane, Claude Berri, Gérard Jugnot, Tony Gatlif and Mehdi Charef. Olivier Dahan, a previous festival guest with Déjû Mort, is back with his hypnotic version of Charles Perrault's fairy story Le petit Poucet as well as his new film La vie promise.

In New Waves, the section aimed at promoting first and second time directors, TV director Josée Dayan makes the leap into cinema with Jeanne Moreau playing Marguerite Duras, Pascal Bailly achieves an astonishing debut with the luminous Amélie actress Audrey Tauton, Christophe Honoré, a writer turned cineaste, gives Béatrice Dalle her best role in years; Yamina Benguigui's first feature is a rich and personal piece of work - and Antoine de Caunes takes a bite at vampires.

There is a particular focus on one of today's most sensitive and expressive documentary film-makers, Nicolas Philibert who crafts works that have the elegance and emotional breadth of great fiction.

Take time to explore the festival on these pages - and then rush to make as many choices as you can. Bonnes projections!



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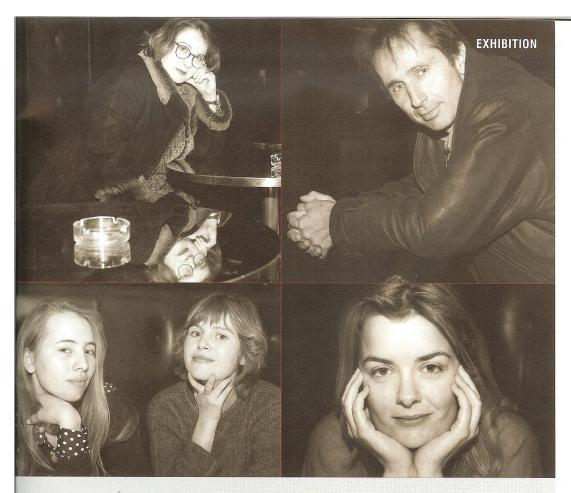


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## Picture Perfect

Think French cinema and the images that rush to mind are of Juliette Binoche, Catherine Deneuve, Gérard Depardieu, Daniel Auteuil and Jeanne Moreau. Back in the mists of time it was Brigitte Bardot, Jean-Paul Belmondo, Alain Delon and even Maurice Chevalier or Jean Gabin.

Over the years photographer Lloyd Smith, whose work can be found in the archives of the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, has assiduously chronicled our guests through his lens. The result is a remarkable and still growing portrait of the French Film Festival - and French cinema itself.

The images on this page reflect the guests who attended last year's tenth anniversary edition among them Thierry Lermitte, Josiane Balasko, Lucy Russell, Isild Le Besco and

Anne-Sophie Birot. There are many more (Patrice Chéreau, Claude Lelouch, Bernard Giraudeau...) to be found in the exhibition curated and sponsored by the French Institute in Edinburgh which will be on show in the gallery for the duration of the festival.

The style of Smith's photographs echoes the monochrome shots of the film studio photographers of the forties and fifties in which the subjects appear both dramatic and revealing. Take time out to experience ten years of French film in one place at the one time.

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Clockwise from top left: Josiane Balasko, Thierry Lermitte, Lucy Russell, Anne-Sophie Birot and Isild Le Besco





## LÉAUD THE LION

He has been one of the enduring icons of French cinema who has survived the peaks and troughs of fortune to become an everlasting magnetic screen presence. The French Film Festival honours Jean-Pierre Léaud with a special screening in his presence of a new documentary about his life and work as well as a chance to revisit his first great performance.

BY RICHARD MOWE

e was the perfect model of those gangling, intense young French intellectuals with his forclock always flopping over his brow only to be carelessly flicked back, prompting generations of aspiring lookalikes to adopt the same posture with pallid expressions of rebellious insouciance. He came to symbolise the free-wheeling spirit of the emerging New Wave.

Now in his late Fifties Léaud may be heavier around the jowls and frame but still can be instantly recognised as the "innocent" anarchist who not only launched a thousand Gaulloises ads but also inspired current film-makers such as Eric Rochant to pay tribute in such films as A World Without Pity whose anti-hero was a direct descendant of Léaud or culty Finn Aki Kaurismaki to conspire to encounter his idol and perpetuate the legend.

He has kept his career going, often taking small yet intriguing cameo roles in films by a slew of directors from Olivier Assayas to Betrand Bonello and most recently Taiwanese director and confirmed disciple, Tsai Ming-liang in What Time Is It There? seen in Cannes last year. Over the years he forged a special relationship with Kaurismaki for whom he first worked on I Hired a Contract Killer.

Memorable recent appearances have included Bonello's *The Pornographer* with Jérémie Rénier and Dominique Blanc. The previous year he was in the Hitchcockian thriller *Laffaire Marcorelle* as the attorney unable to tell nightmare from reality. The film lead to the encounter with director Serge Le Péron - and now Le Péron's new documentary, *Léaud l'unique*, dealing for the first time with his intriguing universe.

#### LE CINÉMA DE TOUJOURS

During the Eighties Léaud went through the slough of despond. He was seen less often on screen, and rumours circulated about him leading a reclusive and chaotic personal life. He was said to be suffering from depression after Truffaut's death in 1984. Truffaut had become a father figure, leading to a creative and personal relationship between the then-adolescent Léaud and the then 30-year-old director. Truffaut wrote that in the beginning, there was a lot of himself

in the character of Antoine Doinel in The 400 Blows. "But as soon as Jean-Pierre arrived. his strong personality led me to make changes... Antoine is an imaginary character who derives from both of us."

After a glowing reception at the 1959 Cannes Film Festival and a best director award for Truffaut, the film progressed to gamer international acclaim and Léaud became a critics' darling for his startlingly

natural, captivating performance. Soon after, he moved away from his parents (with whom he'd always had a volatile relationship) and into an apartment to be closer to Truffaut, his wife, and their two children - his surrogate family of sorts.

From this complicated bond, Truffaut gathered elements for future film collaborations with Léaudincluding four more with the Doinel character -Antoine and Colette (1962), Stolen Kisses (1968), Bed and Board (1970), and Love on the Run (1979) following him from young love, to marriage, fatherhood, and divorce.

In the mid-Sixties, Léaud was called on by another seminal New Wave director, Jean-Luc Godard, for several of his semi-existential, Pop-Art social commentaries, including Masculin-Feminin (1966) and La Chinoise (1967). Léaud usually played somewhat anti-social Leftist-leaning young men with a charming streak. In some ways these characters were more complex than the constantly restless, youthfully

In 1973 Leaud appeared in three major European films: Bertolucci's Last Tango in Paris, as Maria Schneider's passionate filmmaker fiancée; as a troubled actor in Truffaut's Oscar-winning (best foreign film) movie-within-a-movie Day for Night, an ode to the process of film-making co-starring Truffaut himself; and in Jean Eustache's remarkable The Mother and the Whore, a three hour-plus document of the relationship between a self-centred pseudointellectual (Léaud, in one of his best performances) and the women he sucks the life out of.

Léaud's character creations now seem to have a common air of moroseness. "It's true," he says, "perhaps over the years I've become ... er, how should I put it?... more tragic." He has always adhered to his New Wave ideals, though, and avoided commercial cinema. There was Jacques Rivette, Pier Paolo Pasolini, Raoul Ruiz as well as Godard. He claims to have no regrets about never waivering from his chosen course.

"In the New Wave days," he told one interviewer, "I spent all my time in the Cahiers du Cinema offices, listening to everything they said - Truffaut,

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TRUFFAUT ON LÉAUD

IN THE 400 BLOWS

Godard, Jacques Rivette, I chose the auteur approach against commercial cinema, and I turned down commercial films. The choice you make when you're young is a risk, but I'm glad I took it, because today it allows me to work with young directors who are rediscovering einema."

He claims never to have really considered himself an actor, because he started so early and his whole life has been spent making films, "In every film I

make, it's a pleasure that connects me with my childhood because I was still a child at 14," he says. "Maybe that link with childhood is something I feel more than others, but playing a part means just what it says - playing."

Is he concerned that he has never been able to shake off the image of Antoine Doinel? "No. rather it was something extremely positive. Truffaut himself said that Antoine was just one role among others. He was always the character I liked most, because it was the only time in the history of cinema that you could see someone growing up from youth to maturity on film. That's something quite extraordinary."

Without a close family background Léaud has often referred to his extended family in the cinema -Truffaut as father, Godard as uncle, and Henri Langlois, a former director of the Cinémathèque Française, as a caring grandfather.

"Truffaut taught me to love cinema, Langlois taught me to love cinema as a spectator, in the auditorium and Godard came along as a saviour." It was Godard who cast him in Detective in 1984 during a fallow period for the actor. He says: "I wasn't working much. Truffaut was very ill, so Godard brought me back on the set as a friend. He knew I was suffering, because my intellectual father was dving. It was a gesture of friendship."

He remains a brooding and intense figure who has moved from Montparnasse to a flat near les Invalides. Will he ever be at ease and find peace of spirit? He looks astonished at the notion. "At ease? I don't know, because it's complicated to be at ease. But I feel a little better, because  $\Gamma m$  working a lot more and that's something that counts a lot for me.'



Léaud and Truffaut on the set of The 400 Blows

#### A LIFE IN PICTURES

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  Betrand Bonello
  1999 L'AFFAIRE MARCORELLE:
- Serge Le Péron LINE AFFAIRE DE GOÛT/ Bernard Rapp
- 1996 IRMA VEP: Olivier Assayas POURRIRE: Lucas Belvaux
  1995 MON HOMME: Betrand Biler
  LE JOURNAL DU SÉDUCTEUR:
- Danièle Dubroux 1993 PERSONNNE NE M'AIME
- Marion Vernoux 1992 LA NAISSANCE DE L'AMOUR: Philippe Garrel PARIS S'EVEILLE:
- Olivier Assayas 1991 LA VIE DE BOHÈME/Bohemian Life: Aki Kaurismaki
- 1990 | Hired a Contract Killer
- Aki Kaurismaki 1988 36 FILLETE/Virgin Catherine Breillat
- 1987 LES KEUFS: Josiane Balasko JANE B. PAR AGNĖS V.:
- Agnès Varda 1986 GRANDEUR ET DÉCADENCE/ Rise and Fall of a Little Film
- Company: Jean-Luc Godard 1985 L'ILE AU TRÉSOR: Raoul Ruiz LE TUEUR ASSIS: Jean-André Fieschi
- 1984 DÉTECTIVE: Jean-Luc Godard AIUTAMI: Pupi Avati 1978 L'AMOUR EN FUITE/Love on
- the Run: François Truffaut
- 1973 LA NUIT AMERICAINE/Day for LA MAMAN ET LA PUTAIN/ The Mother and the Whore: CONTINUES ON PAGE 9

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#### LÉAUD L'UNIQUE Léaud, The One and Only

GLASGOW

Mon 25 Nov, 6.30pm (followed by The 400 Blows)

EDINBURGH Tue 26 Nov,

6.45pm (followed by The 400 Blows)

DUNDEE

Sun 24 Nov. 4.00pm (followed by The 400 Blows)

It's an almost impossible task to pin down the chameleon talents of Jean-Pierre Léaud, a muse to François Truffaut among others. Now aged 58, he's been described as the son of the New Wave, plunged as a 14-year-old in to the heady creative period of French film-making and the intense world of Cahiers du Cinéma. Léaud with his thick unkempt locks framing his leathery skinned features giving him the appearances of Indian tribal chief, concedes that his adolescent world was "turned upside down." He soaked up the experiences, catalogued them away and describes his feelings as almost "voyeuristic" as he listened to the likes of Claude Chabrol and Jean-Luc Godard in intense and rather

The notoriously reclusive Léaud declined to give agreement for anyone to make a documentary about him until he met Serge Le Péron who had worked with him on L'affaire Marcorelle (shown at the French Film Festival two years ago). The result of the collaboration gave him the confidence to place himself in Le Péron's hands.

#### LES 400 COUPS The 400 Blows

GLASGOW

Mon 25 Nov, 8.45pm (preceded by Léaud l'unique)

EDINBURGH

Tue 26 Nov, 9.00pm (preceded by Léaud l'unique)

DUNDEE

Sun 24 Nov. 6.15pm (preceded by Léaud l'unique)

A boy turns to petty crime in the face of neglect at home and hard times at a reform school in François Truffaut's first feature in 1959. Somewhat autobiographical for its director, the film helped usher in the heady spirit of the New Wave, and introduced Léaud's Antoine Doinel character, who became a fixture in Truffaut's movies over the years. Poignant, exhilarating, and fun (there's a parade of cameo appearances from some of the essential icons and directors from the movement), this film is an obligatory classic.

#### A LIFE IN PICTURES

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1972 LAST TANGO IN PARIS:

Bernardo Bertolucci 1971 LES DEUX ANGLAISES ET LE CONTINENT/Anne and Muriel: François Truffaut 1970 DOMICILE CONJUGAL/

Bed and Board:

François Truffaut PORCILE/Pigsty: Pier Paolo Pasolini

1968 LE GAI SAVOIR:

Jean-Luc Godard BAISERS VOLÉS/Stolen Kisses: François Truffaut

1967 LA CHINOISE: Jean-Luc Godard WEEKEND: Jean-Luc Godard LE DEPART: Jerzy Skolimovski

PERE NOEL A LES YEUX BLEUS: Jean Eustache MASCULIN FÉMININ: Jean-Luc Godard MADE IN USA:

Jean-Luc Godard 1965 PIERROT LE FOU:

Jean-Luc Godard L'AMOUR A VINGT ANS:

François Truffaut
1960 BOULEVARD: Julien Duvivier
1959 LE TESTAMENT D'ORPHÉE/

Testament of Orpheus: Jean Cocteau Jean Cocteau LES QUATRE CENTS COUPS/ The 400 Blows: François Truffaut

Featuring: Mathieu Amalric, Olivier Assayas, Bernardo Bertolucci, Betrand Bonello, Raoul Coutard, Jean-Luc Godard, Irène Jacob, Aki Kaurismaki, André S Labarthe, Laszlo Szabo, Tsai Mingliang, Agnès Varda

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### A FINE **VINTAGE**

This year's Panorama selection is particularly rich in its diversity - from Nicole Garcia's intense take on a notorious murder to a dazzling adaptation of the dark fairy tale world of Charles Perrault, embracing along the way new films by Michel Blanc, Coline Serreau, Claude Berri, Gérard Jugnot, Cédric Klapisch, Patrice Leconte and Mehdi Charef among many. Whatever your tastes they represent a fine vintage to be seen and savoured.

#### L'ADVERSAIRE The Adversary

GLASGOW

Tue 26 Nov, 3.00pm & 8.15pm

EDINBURGH

Wed 27 Nov. 3.00pm & 8.30pm

LONDON

Fri 29 Nov,

Nicole Garcia takes up the threads of real crime that shook France in January 1993: Jean-Claude Romand (played by Daniel Auteil at his most haunting and powerful) was a mythomaniac who lived on assumed identities and hoaxes. For 18 years he lied to his family who thought he was a researcher for the World Health Organisation. Just when his double life was about to be revealed he murdered his wife, children and parents rather than admit to the truth. Bearing obvious similarities with the subject matter of Laurent Cantet's L'emploi du temps, Garcia's film, based on real-life accounts and also the book by Emmanuel Carrère, is a distinctly different proposition. In charting the terrible canvas of Romand's life, she evokes a tragedy that is both contemporary and timeless: the tragedy of a normality gone astray. It is both familiar and incredible. Presented in the Cannes Film Festival's official selection it represents a singular achievement for the actress and director whose previous films behind the camera have included Place Vendôme, Le fils préféré and Un weekend sur deux.

> Daniel Auteuil, Géraldine Pailhas, François Cluze, Emmanuelle Devos Nicole Garcia

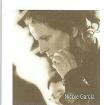
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#### Nicole Garcia

The French Film Festival first revealed actress Nicole Garcia's talents as a director when her second film Le fils préféré appeared in 1994, earning her several César nominations. Four years earlier she had made her directorial debut with Un weekend sur deux starring Nathalie Baye. As an actress she made her first film appearance in Bertrand Tavernier's Que la fête commence in 1974 then the following year in Jacques Rivette's Duelle. Some of her more notable roles include her portrayal of the wife in Alain Resnais' Mon Oncle d'Amerique (1980); Outremer (1990), presented at the first FFF in 1991, and most recently as Sandrine Kiberlain's mother in Claude Miller's Betty Fisher. L'Adversaire is her first directorial outing since the elegant psychological thriller Place Vendôme





#### UNE AFFAIRE PRIVÉE A Private Affair

GLASGOW

Tue 26 Nov, 5.45pm

EDINBURGH

Wed 27 Nov, 6.00pm

LONDON

Fri 29 Nov. 6.30pm

A gumshoe seeking a missing girl goes through the motions with a detached determination in this sinister, carefully calibrated film that exudes a mood of pragmatic dissolution while allowing the normally easygoing Thierry Lhermitte to shine as a lonely Sam Spade for the 21st century. An unsettling score by Eric Demarsan (who worked for the late Jean-Pierre Melville) contributes enormously to the tense atmosphere of writer-director Guillaume Nicloux's tight and morosely entertaining enterprise. Nicloux who's also a theatre director and prolific novelist, has been noted for his previous films (Happiness Is No Joke, 1994 and The Octopus, 1998) but this one represents a professional breakthrough.

Lhermitte, who made his mark in comedy and mainstream hits (Le Placard, Le Prince du Pacifique and The Dinner Game) couldn't be better as the emotionally burnt-out investigator. As befits a film noir the narrative is populated by character actors making the most of their slots including Marion Cotillard as the girl's classmate; Robert Hirsch as an elderly downstairs neighbour; Niels Arestrup as the biological father and Philippe Nahon as François's fellow private eye.

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#### L'AUBERGE ESPAGNOLE Euro Pudding

GLASGOW

Sun 17 Nov. 8.15pm Tue 19 Nov. 3.00pm & 8.15pm

**EDINBURGH** 

Mon 18 Nov, 3.00pm & 8.30pm

ABERDEEN

Sat 23 Nov, 3.30pm Fri 22 Nov, 3.00pm

Writer-director Cedric Klapisch again uses a story loosely developed out of an assortment of characters in a specific environment, which worked for him in his 1996 breakout hit When the Cat's Away and the precision-timed comedy of UnAir de Famille, a stage adaptation. His new film remains breezy and entertaining as a young Parisian heads for Barcelona for advanced studies.

Xavier, an economics student in his late twenties, signs on to a European exchange programme in order to gain a working knowledge of the Spanish language and broaden his horizons. Promising to remain in close contact, he says farewell to his girlfriend and family, and heads for Barcelona where he shares an apartment with a culturally diverse group of students who cause him to discover his real priorities. An insightful and feelgood rites of passage, Klapisch proves he is a master in providing captivating observations of human foibles (some of which also are on view in Peut-être, Page 16).

Thierry Lhermitte, Marion Cotillard, Samuel Le Bihan, Aurore Clement, Niels Arestrup, Philippe Nahon, Frederic Diefenthal, Jeanne Jean-Pierre Darroussin Dir/scr: Guillaume Nicloux

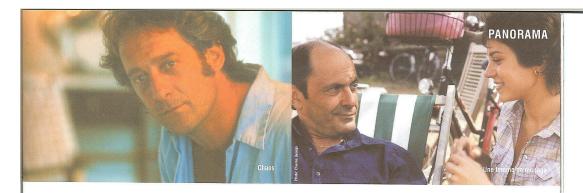
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#### CHAOS

GLASGOW Wed 27 Nov,

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8.30pm

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Fri 29 Nov, 6.15pm

Malika, a young prostitute, is savagely beaten and left for dead on a lonely corner of Paris. Paul and Hélène, an upper-middle-class couple, watch this happen from the safety of their ear, but do nothing about it. Ashamed of her choice not to get involved, Hélène later tracks down Malika to the hospital where she lies in a coma. Her devotion in belping Malika recuperate causes her to eventually estrange herself from her husband and son. But the men who had beaten Malika have no intention of letting her live, and soon she becomes part of a vicious underworld struggle she once could have scarcely imagined.

One of France's most consistently successful directors, Coline Serreau, who this year, almost two decades on, has returned for a sequel to the territory of her huge success *Trois hommes et un couffin/Three Men and a Baby*, has a special gift for pecling away her characters' layers of social respectability until they finally discover new sides and energies within themselves. As Helène, Catherine Frot does a remarkable job in capturing her character's essential transformation when confronted with some uncomfortable truths about the world and her place within it while newcomer Rachida Brakni gives a sensational performance as the victim.

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	Lindon, Rachida Brakni
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#### UNE FEMME DE MÉNAGE A Housekeeper

GLASGOW

Fri 15 Nov, 5.45pm

Sun 17 Nov. 3.00pm

EDINBURGH Sat 16 Nov.

ov, 6.00pm Mon 25 Nov, 3.00pm

After the mammoth task of producing the monster hit Astérix and Obelix: Mission Cleopatra, Claude Berri returns to directing with this modest but appealing romantic comedydrama. Jean-Pierre Bacri and Emilie Dequenne establish an awkward yet tender odd-couple dynamic, their accomplished work serving to distinguish the familiar material while it's all enveloped in classy production values. Bacri plays a successful music studio sound engineer Jacques, whose wife left him for another man. He is having trouble keeping his Paris apartment in order so he responds to a bulletin board notice, hiring easygoing Laura (Dequenne) to clean his house. When he increases her hours and finds himself sharing space with the young woman on his days off, Jacques is torn between annovance at the intrusion into his peaceful domain and pleasure at having female company again after the bitter experience of marital meltdown.

# Cast: Jean-Pierre Bacri, Emilie Dequenne, Brigitte Catilion, Jacques Frantz, Avelle Abbadie, Catherine Breillat Dir: Claude Berri Frod: Hirsch-Pathe-Renn/TF1 Films production in association with Canal Plus, Centre National de la Cinematographie. Claude Berri Ex prod: Pierre Grunstein

Scr. Claude Berri, from the novel by Christian Oster
Ph: Eric Gautier
Ed: François Gediglier
Mus: Frederic Botton
Int sales: Patile International,
10 Rue Lincoln, Paris
Tel 00 33 1 40 76 91 00
Fax 00 33 1 40 76 91 23
2002 91 mins

#### Rachida Brakni

Rachida Brakni, a member of the prestigious Comédie Française, won the Prix Lumière for the best upcoming actress for her role in Chaos, awarded by the Foreign Press based in Paris and also best female newcomer César. She made her first screen appearance in Henri Duparc's Une couleur café followed by André Téchiné's Terminus des anges. On stage she has appeared in Richard III and The Cid, directed by Jean-Pierre Albe and L'Algérie au féminin by Gabriel Garran. She also took the lead role in Marcel Bozonnet's Antigone. She was named one of 2002's Shooting Stars at the Berlin Film Festival, nominated by the organisation for European Film Promotion

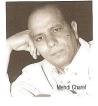


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#### Mehdi Charef

With La fille de Keltoum director Mehdi Charef returns to work in his native Algeria for the first time. "I took so long beause I was scared of going back. It was quite painful because the reality does not always measure up to memories. I had loved this country so much while I was growing up, that I was frightened in case I did not love it any more and that would mean I would be rejecting my childhood and my parents. It's the same problem with youngsters growing up in the suburbs who do not want to be part of the fabric of society because they're afraid of rejecting



#### LA FILLE DE KELTOUM Keltoum's Daughter

GLASGOW Thu 21 Nov, 5.45pm EDINBURGH Wed 20 Nov. 6.00pm DUNDEE Mon 25 Nov, 6.15pm LONDON 6.45pm Thu 28 Nov,

Rallia, played by Cylia Malki, a young model of North African descent, returns from Geneva to her home town in Algeria, in an effort to find her roots. She's searching for her mother, Keltoum. Her relatives, living in abject poverty, only know that her mother works at a faraway hotel. With her aunt Nedjma (Baya Belal) in tow, following her like some dark shadow, Rallia sets out on a journey of discovery across a land scarred by poverty, violence and intolerance, until she reaches the hotel reserved for Europeans, where a surprise awaits her. From the director of last year's FFF success, Marie-Line whose lead actress was the very same Cylia Malki.

#### L'HOMME DU TRAIN The Man on the Train

GLASGOW Mon 18 Nov, 6.00pm Sat 16 Nov. 8.15pm; **EDINBURGH** Fri 15 Nov. 3.00pm & 8.45pm ABERDEEN Sat 23 Nov, Sun 24 Nov, 9.00pm 6.45pm DUNDEE Sun 1 Dec. 6.30pm

Small-town France is the setting of Patrice Leconte's latest foray which marks the reteaming of the director of The Hairdresser's Husband with the screenwriter Claude Klotz, and its star, Jean Rochefort. Here Rochefort plays an eccentric and reclusive retired schoolmaster, Manesquier, while Gallic rock icon Johnny Hallyday is cast as the cadaverous, majestically ravaged-looking Milan, a farouche stranger who arrives in the town by train one evening.

Manesquier meets Milan by chance in a pharmacy, an encounter which marks the beginning of an unexpected rapport between characters who have nothing in common, except wishing - as they, and we, come to realise - they could have lived the life of the other. This is a captivating piece of cinema, with an intelligent, amusing and memorable vision of old age and its regrets. Coupled with Rue des Plaisirs (page 17) the duo offer fascinating insights into the prolific Leconte's work.

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Cylia Malki, Baya Belal, Cast: Jean-Roger Milo, Fatma Ben Saidene, Deborah Lamy Mehdi Charef Fabienne Servan-Schreiber, Prod: Cinétévé, StudioCanal, France 2 Cinéma, Arte France Cinéma, Canal+ Horizons.

Mehdi Charef Alain Levent Music: Bernardo Sandoval UK distrib: Cinéfrance, 12 Sunbury Place, Edinburgh EH4 3BY Tel 00 44 131 225 6191 Fax 00 44 131 225 6971 2002 116mins

Jean Bochefort, Johnny Hallyday, Jean-François Stévenin, Charlie Nelson, Pascal Parmentier, Isabelle Petit-Jacques, Édith Scob, Maurice Chevit, Riton Liehman Patrice Leconte

Philippe Carcassonne, Ciné B, Zoulou Films, Rhône-Alpes Cinéma, FCC. Claude Klotz

Jean-Marie Dreujou Ph: Pascale Esteve Int sales: Pathé International, 10 rue Lincoln, 75008 Paris Tel 00 33 1 40 76 91 00 Fax 00 33 1 40 76 91 23 2002 90 mins



#### MA VRAIE VIE A ROUEN The True Story of My Life in Rouen

#### LONDON

Tue 26 Nov, 6.45pm

Telling its entire story through the lens of the main character's DV cam, The True Story of My Life in Rouen risks boxing itself into a boring technical corner, yet in the end manages to pull off the feat without undue preciousness. An engaging, lively performance by newcomer Jimmy Tavares as a provincial French teen on the brink of sexual awakening, and actress Ariane Ascaride as his mum, inject this gentle French coming-of-age comedy with human warmth.

The third collaboration between co-directors Olivier Ducastel and Jacques Martineau (Jeanne and the Rantastic Boy, Drole de Felix, both of which featured HIV positive characters), this film is a playful portrait of Etienne (Tavares), a graceful, athletic I6-year-old whose twin hobbies are figure skating and obsessive filming with the camera he receives as a birthday present. Tavares is the son everyone would like to have, a fantasy the film-makers deftly play on in the final scenes.

#### MONSIEUR BATIGNOLE

GLASGOW

Sun 24 Nov, 1.00pm & 8.45pm Mon 25 nov, 10.00am (educational)

EDINBURGH

Fri 22 Nov, 10.00am (educational) & 6.00pm

Sat 23 Nov, 3.00pm & 8.45pm

ABERDEEN

Wed 20 Nov, 10.00am (educational), 2.00pm & 8.45pm DUNDEE

Tue 26 Nov, 10.00am (educational) & 8.30pm

LONDON

Thu 28 Nov, 9.00pm

Well-crafted, bitter-sweet comedy, in which an ordinary man in Nazi-occupied France behaves heroically despite himself. The Gentile butcher gets a crash course in Jewish reality when a young escapee neighbour falls into his lap during the summer of 1942. The film zips along with an entertaining and witty blend of close calls and despicable behaviour counteracted by human resourcefulness.

In his eighth stint behind the camera, the multi-talented star Gerard Jugnot who was a guest at the first French Film Festival and whose films we have featured over the years, has fashioned another fine piece of work.

Cast: Jimmy Tavares, Ariane
Ascaride, Helene Surgere,
Jonathan Zaccai, Lucas
Bonnifait
Dir/scr: Olivier Ducastel, Jacques

Martineau.

An Agat Films & Cie
production in association
with Canal Plus, Nicolas

Ph: Matthieu Poirot Delpech, Pierre Milon Ed: Sabine Mamou

Mus: Philippe Miller
Int sales: FPI - Flach Pyramide
International, 5 rue du

Chevalier de Saint-George,
75008 Paris

Tel 00 33 1 42 96 02 20
Fax 00 33 1 40 20 05 51

www.flach-pyramide.com
2002 102 mins.

Cast: Jules Sitruk, Gerard Jugnot,
Michele Garcia, Jean-Paul
Rouve Alexia, Portal Gotz
Burger, Sam Karmann, Ticky
Holgado
Dir: Gerard Jugnot

Dir: Gerard Jugnot
Prod: A Bac Distribution release of an RF2K Prods, Novo Arturo Films, TF1 Films production.
Scr: Philippe Lopes Curval.

cr: Philippe Lopes Curv Gérard Jugnot Int sales: UGC International, 2 rue des Quatre-Fils, 75003 Paris Tel 00 33 1 40 29 89 00 Fax 00 33 1 40 29 89 10 www.mrbatignole.com 2002 100mins

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#### Olivier Dahan

Olivier Dahan studied at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Marseilles. He made seven shorts and numerous music videos between 1988 and 1997. In 1994 he directed a feature film for televison, Frères, selected for the Berlin International Film Festival. He made the move to cinema in 1997 with Déjà mort (and came to present it at the French Film Festival). In 2001 he directed Le petit Poucet, his last work until La vie promise. He has also directed documentaries, including a series of portraits of ten American musicians.



#### I F PFTIT POUCET Little Tom Thumb

GLASGOW

2.00pm (+intro talk) & 8.15pm Sat 23 Nov,

**EDINBURGH** Sun 24 Nov.

2.00pm (+intro talk) & 8.30pm

ABERDEEN

Sun 17 Nov, 3.45pm & 8.45pm Mon 18 Nov, 4.15pm & 6.30pm

If you enjoyed The Lord of the Rings, you definitely shouldn't miss Le petit poucet, although director Olivier Dahan's ogre character is an altogether different proposition. Le petit poucet is both an original and frightening re-working of the classic fable of Tom Thumb. Cruelly rejected by his peasant parents and constantly bullied by his four elder brothers, Tom is befriended by Rose, a mysterious fairy girl. Civil war breaks out, ravaging their country and Tom and his family are soon on the verge of starvation. The children are abandoned by their desperate parents and left to fend for themselves in an enchanted orest, where they encounter dangerous predators hiding in every dark corner.

Adopting Charles Perrault's story as a starting point, Olivier Dahan filmed it entirely in a studio setting with lots of noncomputer generated special effects. He has produced a spectacular film in which a small child's fear of the world is hauntingly conveyed through an outstanding ensemble all-star east, which includes Romane Bohringer, Catherine Deneuve, Elodie Bouchez, Said Taghmaoui and Dominique Hulin. The elaborate production design alone makes this a must-see film, made to appeal to adult fans of fantasy adventure, as opposed to young children. Shrek this is most certainly not!

Romane Bohringer, Elodie Cast: Bouchez, Pierre Berriau, Dominique Hulin, Nils Hugon , William Touil, Samy Naceri, Catherine Deneuve

Oliver Dahan. Prod: Eric Névé, Chauve Souris, StudioCanal, France 3 Cinéma.

Scr: Olivier Dahan, Agnès Fustier-Dahan

Ph: AlexLamarque

Joe Hisaishi Int sales: Wild Bunch, 47, rue Dumont-d'Urville, 75116 Tel 00 33 1 71 76 11 23 Fax 00 33 1 71 76 11 24 www.wildbunch.biz.

2000 90mins

#### PEUT-ÊTRE Maybe

GLASGOW

Tue 19 Nov, 5.45pm

EDINBURGH

Sat 16 Nov,

3.00pm

At a New Year's Eve party on 31 December 1999, a young Frenchwoman Lucie (Géraldine Pailhas) wants to kick off the new millenium by starting a family of her very own. Her boyfriend Arthur (Romain Duris), however, is not so sure he's ready to be a father. As he leaves Lucie to think the subject over, he finds himself crawling through a portal to the future. There, he is met by the son, Ako (Jean-Paul Belmondo), and other members of the extended family that he might one day have. They encourage him to return to the past and impregnate his girlfriend before they all cease to exist.

Cédric Klapisch sports an ingenious premise that uses time travel as a device to illustrate the importance of family. In Ako's era, the remains of today's world are almost entirely covered by sand, as if they were the Egyptian tombs of old. Travelling to the past is not unlike conducting an archaelogical dig, entering a building from the top and moving down floor by floor until its portal is found. People have seemingly given up on the technology and urban expansion that we take for granted; the only use for the consumer products of our world comes when they can be adapted to suit these strange surroundings. Klapisch applies amiable comedy to potentially dramatic territory in a film that bears all his quirky hallmarks.

Romain Duris, Jean-Paul Belmondo Geraldine Pailmas, Vincent Elbaz, Julie Depardieu, Emmanuelle

Cedric Klapisch Aissa Djabri, Farid Prod:

Ph:

Lahoussa, Manuel Munz (France) Ser Santiago Amigorena, Alexis Galmot, Cedric Klapisch Philippe Le Sourd

Francine Sandberg Loik Dury, Magister Dixit Mus: FPI - Flach Pyramide International, 5 rue du Chevalier de Saint-George 75008 Paris

Tel 00 33 1 42 96 02 20 Fax 00 33 1 40 20 05 51 www.flach-pyramide.com. 1999 109mins



#### UNE PURE COINCIDENCE A Pure Coincidence

GLASGOW

Sat 16 Nov 5.45pm

**FDINBURGH** 

Fri 15 Nov,

ABERDEEN

Sun 17 Nov, 6.00pm

LONDON

Wed 27 Nov, 9.00pm

Romain Goupil's whole career has been bound up with his political conscience. He has worked with the likes of Chantal Akerman, Roman Polanski and Jean-Luc Godard, He won the Camera d'or with Mourir à 30 ans and his A mort la mort was previously in the Directors' Fortnight at the Cannes

This year he bounced back with a film that tackles the timely issues of race and politics in modern France. Shot on video his footage deals with a true case of racketeering in Paris involving refugees. Seen through they eyes of a group of friends who try to expose a white slavery ring fronting as a currency exchange business.

Alain Cyroulnick, Romain Goupil, Olivier Martin. Nicolas Minkowski, Jean Baptiste Poirot, Christian

Romain Goupil Margaret Menegoz, Les Films du Losange.

Romain Goupil

Int sales: Films du Losange, 22 Avenue Pierre-1er-de-Serbie, 75116 Paris Tel 00 33 1 44 43 87 10 Fax 00 33 1 49 52 06 40 2002 92mins

#### RUE DES PLAISIRS Love Street

GLASGOW

Wed 20 Nov. 3.00pm & 8.45pm

EDINBURGH Tue 19 Nov,

3.00pm & 8.45pm

ABERDEEN Fri 15 Nov.

4.15pm & 6.30pm 2.00pm & 8.45pm

8.30pm

Sat 16 Nov Fri 22 Nov,

DUNDEE

A timeless romance set in a very specific period, Patrice Leconte's Rue des Plaisirs is a bittersweet three-character drama that drinks deep at the well of poetic realism and post-war atmosphere (and could not be more different than Ehomme du train, Page 14). He tells of a stubby fellow raised in a brothel, who will stop at nothing to assure the happiness of the prostitute he loves to the limits of platonic fervour. It is drenched in nicely observed details.

The production designer Ivan Maussion, in his 18th collaboration with Leconte, has fashioned an idealised yet faintly menacing Paris plucked from cabaret songs and the lore of street toughs. Eduardo Serra's lighting, filtered through lots of fog and rain, adds immeasurably to the mood, and Leconte, as always, frames his own widescreen shots with thoughtful flair. Rue des Plaisirs finds its grail amid the squalid realities of postwar Paris, optimism and resignation walking hand in hand.

Laetitia Casta is the film's most towering revelation. She is here virtually unrecognisable, totally absorbed by the complexities of character and circumstance.

Patrick Timsit, Laetitia Casta, Vincent Elbaz, Catherine Mouchet, Isabelle Spade, Berangere Allaux. Samuel Labarthe

Patrice Leconte Philippe Carcassone, Cine

B, Zoulou Films, TF1 Films Production, Pathe Image Production, KC Medien. Cinema Parisien, Media Suits production.

Serge Frydman Eduardo Serra Joelle Hache Int sales:

Pathé International. 10 Rue Lincoln, Paris Tel 00 33 1 40 76 91 00 Fax 00 33 1 40 76 91 23 2002 85 mins

#### Patrice Leconte

Patrice Leconte is as notable for his refusal to be easily categorised as he is for his long and productive career. Since making his major directorial debut in 1975, Leconte has established himself as one of France's most respected directors, at ease tackling subjects ranging from mental illness to sexuality to canny deconstructions of wit and society. He received particular acclaim for Ridicule and recently for The Girl on the Bridge and La veuve de St Pierre which brought him the admiration of an international audience while furthering his reputation as one of the French cinema's most treasured and prolific figures. A native Parisian, Leconte was born on 12 November, 1947. He decided to be a filmmaker at a very young age, and went on to attend France's most prestigious film school, IDHEC. After graduating in 1969, Leconte went against the cinematic grain, becoming a cartoonist for the magazine Pilote. He made his living from cartooning until 1975, all the while shooting comic-fantasy

shorts. The brand of humor he

developed while making these shorts would later become something of a trademark.

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#### Tony Gatlif

Tony Gatlif has made four films (Vengo, Gadio Dilo included) which have been dedicated to the gypsies and their culture. He says: "I'm simply trying to transmit something that is disappearing. I'm trying to be a witness."



#### SUR LE BOUT DES DOIGTS On the Tip of Her Fingers

GLASGOW Thu 28 Nov. 6.15pm FDINBURGH Mon 25 Nov 6.00pm Tue 26 Nov, 2.00pm LONDON Sat 30 Nov 7.00pm

This compelling story about a mother's jealousy towards her talented pianist daughter is set to a lush classical soundtrack. In a small provincial town, Juliette lives alone with her daughter Julic, 12, who seems to be a child prodigy in terms of her commitment to the piano. Her father runs a wine shop in town and only sees his daughter every week. He has little to do with her education which is the sole responsibility of his wife. Julie represents the image of perfection that her mother who's also her music teacher, always had yearned. This puts an increasingly heavy burden on the child as her mother's love in the face of real musical genius begins to sour.

The soundtrack is superb with uninterrupted bursts of Scarlatti, Bach, Chopin and others. Angelo who previously directed Le Colonel Chabert and Voleur de Vie, also takes on the additional tasks of cinematographer and co-writer.

Marina Hands, Anne-Sophie Int sales: TF1, 1 Quai du Point du Jour, 92100 Boulogne-Latour, Martine Chevalier, Thierry Hancisse, Pierre Billancourt, Tel 00 33 1 41 41 15 04, Charras Dir: Yves Angelo fax 00 33 1 41 41 31 44 2001 88mins Yves Angelo, Philippe Scr: Claudel Bernard Marescot, Jean-Prod:

Louis Livi

Yves Angelo

Philippe Cassard

#### SWING

GLASGOW Sun 24 Nov, Mon 25 Nov. 3.00pm EDINBURGH Fri 22 Nov. 3.00pm & 8.45pm ABERDEEN Mon 18 Nov, 2.00pm & 8.45pm

Tue 19 Nov 2.00pm & 4.00pm DUNDEE

Thu 28 Nov,

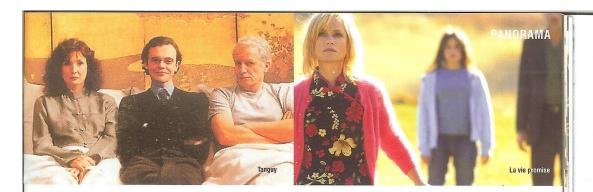
Enjoying an idyllic summer vacation in the Alsace countryside with his grandmother, ten-year-old Max becomes enchanted by the virtuoso Gypsy jazz guitar playing of local legend Miraldo. Max trades his Walkman for a guitar that a scamming tomboy called Swing assures him originally belonged to the great Django Reinhardt. Taking lessons from Miraldo and immersing himself in the culture of the Manouche Gypsy neighbourhood, Max falls in love with both their way of life and Swing herself. She's the same age as him, but her charisma, self-confidence and sense of freedom fascinate him.

Swing exhibits all the warmth and passion of Gatlif's prior investigations of Gypsy culture such as Vengo and Gadjo Dilo. His subplot, a subtle history of the persecution of the Manouche, is as deftly handled as the finely wrought narrative. And then, of course, there's the exceptional music. Gatlif provides a portrait of childhood innocence - and a disappearing world and culture. The film was warmly received at the Berlin International Film Festival, when it was presented in the official Panorama selection.

Oscar Copp, Lou Rech, Tchavolo Schmitt, Mandino Reinhardt, Abdellatif Chaarani, Fahiène Mai, Ben Zimet, Hélène Mershtein Tony Gatlif Tony Gatlif, Princes Films, Prod: Canal +, CNC, Region Alsace and the Film Commission, Strasbourg.

Claude Garnier. Mandino Reinhardt,

Tchavolo Schmitt, Abdellatif Chaarani, Tony Gatlif Int sales: FPI - Flach Pyramide International, 5 rue du Chevalier de Saint-George, 75008 Paris Tel 00 33 1 42 96 02 20 Fax 00 33 1 40 20 05 51 www.flach-pyramide.com 2002 90mins



#### TANGUY

GLASGOW Fri 15 Nov, 8.15pm EDINBURGH Sat 16 Nov, 8.15pm ABERDEEN Thu 21 Nov, 2.00pm, 4.15pm & 9.00pm DUNDEE

Sat 23 Nov, 8.30pm LONDON Fri 25 Oct. 8.30pm

"You're such a sweetie... You can live here forever if you want." Little do Paul and Edith Guetz (André Dussolier and Sabine Azema) realise that their effusive promise made to their baby will prove to be prophetic. 28 years later, their son Tanguy (Eric Berger) is still living at home. It's not that this urbane, very well-to-do couple aren't enormously proud of their son: he's handsome, brilliant, and a great hit with women. It's just that he doesn't seem to have any intention of finding his own place. When a plan to ship Tanguy off to Asia for a year seems to have fallen through, Edith can't take it anymore; she convinces Paul that they must take serious steps to drive Tanguy out of the house. Chatiliez (Tatie Danielle, Le bonheur est dans le pré and La vie est un long fleuve tranquille) offers a contemporary take on separation anxiety as well as some provocative thoughts about changing notions of parenting. A French box-office hit.

The premise also is socially pertinent - at one point, a judge remarks that 8000 full-grown French children have sued their parents for continued support.

Sabine Azema, Andre Cast: Dussollier, Eric Berger Helene Duc, Aurore Clement, Jean-Paul Rouve, Andre Wilms Etienne Chatiliez Prod: Charles Gassot .Telema. Les Prods, du Champ Poirier, TF1 Films Prods. production, with participation of TPS Cinema.

Chatiliez, Laurent Chouchan, Scr: based on an idea by Yolande Zauberman. Philippe Welt Ed: Catherine Renault Pascal Andreacchio Int sales: TF1, 1 Quai du Point du Jour, 92100 Boulogne-Billancourt Tel 00 33 1 41 41 15 04 Fax 00 33 1 41 41 31 44

Dir:

Ph:

Richard Marzy

LA VIE PROMISE Ghost River

GLASGOW Wed 27 Nov, 5.45pm EDINBURGH Thu 28 Nov. 3.00pm & 6.00pm LONDOM Sat 30 Nov, 9.00pm

The very latest film from Olivier Dahan (see also Le petit Poucet, page 16) which represents another assured step forward by one of France's most interesting new directors whose work has long been championed by the FFF. Sylvie, a 40-year-old prostitute living in Nice (a powerhouse

performance from Isabelle Huppert) has a relationship with her teenage daughter Laurence which mirrors her own existence - stormy, desperate and seemingly hopeless.

One evening Laurence witnesses a violent confrontation between her mother and two men. When she intervenes, things turn very ugly. The only option left to mother and daughter is to take flight. The alternative is prison, or worse. Sylvie thinks that her ex-husband who lives in the Jura and with whom she had a son, can help, but she cannot recall any of his contact details. Then a meeting with a mysterious fellow fugitive Joshua takes Sylvia on a painful journey into her past, and the child she abandoned years before. One of the most insightful studies of human relationships and definitely one of the most challenging films of the year.

Isabelle Huppert, Pascal Int sales: Wild Bunch, 47 rue Dumont Greggory, Maud Forget, Andre Tel 00 33 1 71 76 11 23. Marcon, Fabienne Babe Olivier Dahan Fax 00 33 1 71 76 11 24 Eric Nevé, Le Chauve Souris Prod: www.wildbunch.biz Agnès Fuster-Dahan 2002 92mins Alex Lamarque

#### Etienne Chatiliez

Unlike such film-makers as Coline Serreau and Francis Veber who write their own scripts, Etienne Chatiliez prefers to work with close collaborators. His three previous films were written with Florence Quentin who recently made her writing and directing debut with J'aifaim, a comedy about women on a diet. For Tanguv he has collaborated with Laurent Chouchan who also has made his directing debut with Vertiges de l'amour.



## **TOTAL FINA ELF**

## SABINE - la bombe surprise

The French think she has a very English sensibility and Sabine Azema admits to a long-running love affair with Britain. From this side of La Manche we think she's very French. Her Anglo-Saxon traits, however, include a caustic sense of humour - and the ability to fall flat on her face if necessary. Now she reveals yet more facets of her kaleidoscopic personality.

he French acting tradition fails to produce many actresses in the Sabine Azema mould. She's a unique entity who's not afraid of subjecting herself to ridicule or indignity in the cause of her art. She cares not a jot for appearances, always willing to push herself to whatever limits the role demands.

With her elfin, freekled features, striking red hair and slender frame she could be a willowy rose - but under the surface there are prickly thorns ready to ensure and protect. In conversation she's very touchyfeely ("my French side", she explains) but she's also given to wicked outbursts of laughter, claimed as an English trait.

She confides: "Let me tell you something which may make you laugh, but in France people are always saying that I am more Anglo-Saxon than French and that I am more like British or American actresses than French ones. Why? I suspect it's because I do not mind in the least about making fun of myself or being made fun of. Whatever is required by a role, I'll do it. Many French actresses, on the other hand, still like to maintain an air of elegance and superiority no matter what, whereas I am happy to throw everything up in the air."

We're talking in the elegant surrounds of Chateau Chanteloup, the home of the Martell family,

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SABINE AZEMA

in the rolling countryside around Cognac which hosts an annual festival of thrillers and for which Azema has been selected as a member of the jury. Every so often intruders insinuate themselves into the room, interrupting our conversation by using mobile phones or noisely helping themselves to drinks.

Enough is enough. Azema snaps, leaps to her feet and

barricades the two doors with deftly placed chairs. She grins conspiratorially: "You know, the French are so badly behaved whereas you're so much more polite and reserved."

Azema's comic talents can be seen to excellent effect in Etienne Chatiliez's new film *Tanguy* in which she and André Dusollier play the parents of a grownup son (newcomer Eric Berger) who declines to leave

the nest at the age of 28. Azema's character also snaps - and devises a scheme to make him realise he is no longer wanted at home.

Chatiliez had worked with Azema previously on Le bonheur est dans le pré/Happiness is in the Field. He says: "I knew she didn't care about appearances and that she would defend her character wonderfully. Her work is always very impressive because the feelings she must express are very subtle. Her talent covers a wide range. In editing, I discovered many elements I didn't catch on the set."

She felt drawn to the way Chatiliez asks the audience to laugh at the characters' flaws. "I think we all have nasty thoughts from time to time and Etienne dares to ask us to ponder them. He's very thin, dresses like an Englishman, and has this sense of sarcasm which really isn't typically French. He notices everything, yet in life, he is one of the nicest people I know", she says.

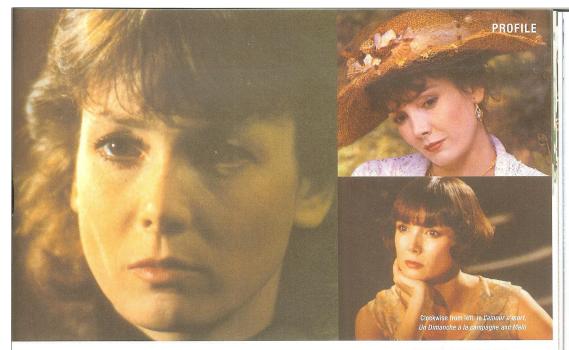
Azema, the daughter of a lawyer, developed her love of Britain from her father who had offices in both Paris and London. He was always bringing back presents, including a stack of records by the Beatles. She came over to learn English as a student, then found excuses to return frequently to soak up British culture, especially literature and music. One of her passions is the Alice in Wonderland world of Lewis Carroll about

whom she made a documentary for the televison channel, Arte. She also found time to fall in love with Oxford and its dreamy spires.

She consolidated her cross-Channel affection by paying a pilgrimage to Scarborough, home of playwright Alan Ayekbourn with whom she appears besotted. With one of her favourite directors (and also constant companion)

Alain Resnais she arrived to meet the man himself at his theatre in the seaside town. "We took a holiday together, and because we loved his work so much we wanted to see where he lived and worked. Then each year we seemed to be drawn back to Scarborough and spent time there watching his latest plays.

"Then one year Ayckbourn said "Sabine, if I write something for you would you come and play on stage



in my theatre. I was overjoyed, then one day the play arrived at my home in Paris, and immediately I packed my bags and was on my way." The play in two parts House and Carden, was performed simultaneously in the two auditoria with the cast dashing between the spaces. "The play was in English, of course, but my role was of a French woman who spoke a kind of franglais which no-one could understand, and all the humour derived from that situation", she says. "What I adore about Ayekbourn is his intelligence. All his

plays have this deep-seated understanding of human nature, and also have an emotional depth which is extraordinary. All the dialogue is so to the point, but also underneath it is quite cruel and stark. He just makes my senses quiver with anticipation."

Resnais and Azema whose personal and professional history together goes back to 1983 and La vie est un roman with Geraldine Chaplin and Vittorio Cassman, combined to bring Ayekbourn to the screen in the double edged Smoking/No Smoking, adapted from six playlets dealing with wobbly marriages and misadventures. Filming with storybook style postcards introducing each character in the Yorkshire village, it scored well both at home and abroad with the British in particular being intrigued by the audacity of the enterprise.

Resnais, Azema and Dussolier (her favoured acting

partner) also recently coincided on On Connait la Chanson in an Ayekbourn-esque proliferation of romantic confusion set to famous Gallic songs serving as an interior device. Azema and Resnais currently are working together on another collaboration which is why her attendance at the festival looks unlikely.

Azema claims to have been spoiled by the chances she has been offered. Her luck started early on when she was a struggling young actress in Paris, recently graduated from the Conservatoire. At the point where

"Her work is always very

impressive because the

feelings she must express

are very subtle."

CHATILIEZ ON AZEMA

she was wondering exactly how she was going to make a living in her chosen profession, she was invited by a friend to come along to the theatre, the Comédie des Champs-Elysées where a certain Jean Anouilh was trying to cast a production of *The Waltz of the Toreadors* 

with the legendary Louis De Funes. She turned up, tried out a scene with De Funes - then found Anouilh at her side saying: "Quick sign your contact, you're hired." Her performance garnered enough attention to ensure she stood out from the crowd of acting hopefuls. Other offers followed including one from Alain Resnais which marked the start of their mutual collaboration both off and on the screen.

Reflecting now on those auspicious beginnings she can only say: "It all seemed so easy." Azema's response displays yet another British trait - the art of

#### FRAME BY FRAME

2001 TANGUY: Etienne Chatilliez
LA CHAMBRE DES OFFICERS/
The Officers' Ward: François Dupeyron
1999 LA BÜCHE/Season's Beatings:
Danièle Thompson

1999 LE SCHPOUNTZ: Gerard Oury
1997 ON CONNAIT LA CHANSON/
Same Old Song: Alain Resnais
1996 MON HOMME/My Man: Bertrand Blier

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1995 LE BONHEUR EST DANS LE PRE/
Happiness Is in the Field:
Etienne Chatiliez

1994 NOIR COMME LE SOUVENIR/Black for Remembrance: Jean-Pierre Mocky 1993 SMOKING/NO SMOKING: Alain Resnais 1991 ROSSINI' ROSSINI': Mario Monicelli

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1990 VANILLE FRAISE: Gérard Oury
1988 LA VIE ET RIEN D'AUTRE/Life and
Nothing But: Betrand Tavernier

Nothing But: Betrand Tavernier
1986 LA PURITAINE/The Prude:
Jacques Doillon
1986 MELO: Alain Resnais
(César Best Actress)

1985 ZONE ROUGE: Robert Enrico L'AMOUR A MORT: Alain Resnais 1984 UN DIMANCHE A LA CAMPAGNE/

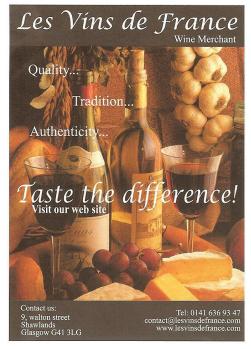
A Sunday in the Country (César Best Actress): Bertrand Tavernier 1983 LA VIE EST UN ROMAN/Life Is a

Bed of Roses: Alain Resnais

1981 ON N'EST PAS DES ANGES:
Michel Lang

1976 LE CHASSEUR DE CHEZ MAXIMS/
Maxim's Porter: C. Vital









## THE **CUTTING EDGE**

This is the part of the festival where you can make discoveries, spot new talents as they emerge and feel at the cutting edge of le cinéma français. In the past we've revealed Cédric Klapisch, Olivier Dahan, Jan Kounen, Laetitia Masson, Mathieu Kassovitz and many more. This time around TV director Josée Dayan makes the leap into cinema, Pascal Bailly creates an astonishing debut, Christophe Honoré, a writer, turns cineaste and Antoine de Caunes takes a bite at vampires. And there's so much more...

CET AMOUR-LÀ A Strange Kind of Love

GLASGOW Mon 18 Nov,

3.00pm & 8.15pm

3.30pm

EDINBURGH

Tue 19 Nov. 6.00pm

ABERDEEN

Fri 22 Nov,

Sun 24 Nov, 1.30pm

LONDON

Wed 27 Nov, 6.45pm

Jeanne Moreau plays the writer Marguerite Duras, the Indochina-born French author whose books were adapted into plays and films including Alain Resnais' Hiroshima, mon amour (1958) and Jean-Jacques Annaud's The Lover (1991)). Moreau met her in 1959 at the time the actress was becoming an international star, Based on Yann Andrea's memoirs of his unusual love for the writer - he is gay - it unfolds during the

The actress runs the gamut of emotions and is fiercely credible as a woman who wants to retain her dignity as her life wanes. She revels in the adoration expressed for her by the much younger lover and devotee. This is certainly a grand tour de force for Moreau, who gives us an intricate picture of the influential writer as a proud woman who is at times filled with self-doubt but still conscious of her importance. Moreau makes her worldly, yet quietly desperate and bent on preserving her dignity in the face of the humiliation of illness and death.

Dayan's screenplay is written in the haunting, poetic style that Duras used in her writing, making the result a fitting blend of character and technique

Jeanne Moreau, Aymeric Demarigny, Christiane Rorato, Sophie Mileron, Justine Levy, Adrien

Guilbert, Tanya Lopert Josée Dayan Prod-

Alain Sarde

Josée Dayan

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Jeanne Moreau:

"What Josée Dayan and I wanted, was to go beyond a precise reconstitution. That would have been a betraval. This story is timeless it is the story of a scandalous passion. We have to be precise, but it is to get to the essential emotions and, for an actor, that has to come from within, not without."



#### Audrey Tautou

With the angelic face of an ingénue, as graceful as the star after whom she was named (Audrey Hepburn), she has remained unaffected by the sudden fame of her post-*Amélie* universe. "I am not an introspective person, I just rely on my subconscious." she says, totally subconscious. She says, totally astonished at her own success. Pascale Bailly's *Dieu est grand, je suis toute petite* was filmed just before *Amélie*.

#### Christophe Honoré

Christophe Honoré originally hails from Britanny. He left for Paris to write screenplays, but it was with a novel for children, *Tout contre Léo* that he first made his name although it was equally accessible to adults. He then published a novel for grown-ups, *L'infamille* before embarking on *Dix-sept fois Cécile Cassard*, his first cinema project.

#### DIEU EST GRAND, JE SUIS TOUTE PETITE God is Great, I'm Not

GLASGOW	
Thu 21 Nov,	3.00pm & 8.45pm
EDINBURGH	
Wed 20 Nov,	3.00pm & 8.45pm
ABERDEEN	
Fri 15 Nov,	2.00pm & 8.45pm
Sat 16 Nov,	4.15pm & 6.30pm
DUNDEE	
Sat 30 Nov,	6.30pm
LONDON	

Tue 26 Nov, 9.00pm

The luminous Audrey Tautou (star of Amélie, the most universally successful French film for decades) here plays Michèle, a 20-year-old model who fears her life is entering into a rut. Work is steady, and all her friends are loyal and supportive, but something seems to be missing.

So she decides to give Buddism a try; it feels fine, but still is incapable of stemming the rage she feels against her mother and mother's boyfriend. She meets François, a decidedly secular Jew, and thinks perhaps he holds the answer to what ails her. Soon, she's nailing mezuzahs to doorposts and dragging him to religion classes - and meeting his parents. God is Great... is a wonderful example of a kind of comedy at which the French are especially skilled, in which a character's madeap energies increasingly take on darker tones.

Pascale Bailly's debut feature offers a provocative portrait of a generation whose search for answers seems overwhelmed by the possibilities available to it.

Cast:	Audrey Tautou, Edouard Baer,	Scr.	Pascale Bailly, Alain
	Julie Depardieu, Catherine		Marcia Romano
	Jacob, Philippe Laudenbach,	Ph:	Antoine Roch
	Cathy Verney, Anna Koch,	Mus:	Steephane Maica
	Max Tzwangue, Mathieu	Int sales:	Studio Canal, 5-13
	Demy, Atmen Kelif, Nelly		Boulevard de la Rép
	Camara Jean Reichman		92100 Boulonne-

Nathalie Levy-Lang
Dir: Pascale Bailly
Prod: Alain Sarde, Geroges
Benayoun. Cythère Films,
Ima Films.

Marcia Romano
Antoine Roch
Steephane Maica
s: Studio Canal, 5-13
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#### DIX-SEPT FOIS CÉCILE CASSARD 17 Times Cécile Cassard

6.15pm
8.30pm
6.00pm

A promising first feature from novelist turned director Christophe Honoré in which Béatrice Dalle plays a woman trying to rebuild her life after the devastating and accidental death of her husband. Told in 17 snapshots of moments that define her journey, Dalle gives one of her best performances since Betts Blue

Unable to cope with her grief she leaves her young son with her sister (Jeanne Balibar), and makes an attempt to create a new life for herself in Toulouse. She strikes up a friendship with two youths and becomes particularly close to Matthieu (Romain Duris) who's gay and has the thirst for life that she lacks. She becomes drawn into his lifestyle, and finds that the homosexual passions she witnesses begin to awaken her own longings.

Presented earlier this year in the Cannes Film Festival's Un certain regard section, the film reveals Honoré as a serious talent to watch with an instinctive feel of a film-maker underpinned by a literary background.

Cast: Beatrice Dalle, Romain Duris, Jeanne Balibar, Ange Ruze Dir: Christophe Honoré Prod: Philippe Jacquier Scr.: Christophe Honoré Pht: Remy Chevrin Ed: Chantal Hymans Mus: Alex Beaupain

Int sales: Mercure, 27 rue de la Butteaux-Cailles, 75013 Paris Tel 00 33 1 44 16 88 44 Fax 00 33 1 45 65 07 47 www.mercure-distribution.fr 2002 105mins



#### DU POIL SOUS LES ROSES Hair Under the Roses

GLASGOW Sun 17 Nov, 5.45pm EDINBURGH Mon 18 Nov. 6.00pm

ABERDEEN

Tue 19 Nov, 6.00pm

A fresh and appealing film by Agnès Obadia, her second feature after Romain, and Jean-Julien Chevrier about two youngsters trying to make sense of the adult world as well as their own burgeoning sexuality. Roudoudou (Julie Durand) is 14, and dreams of being as well-endowed as her mother. Romain (Alexis Roucout) is a year older - and with his pal Francis believes their mothers' friendship is dubious and that only they can save them.

Frank, in your face and yet sensitively handled at the same time, it's performed by a cast of mainly unknowns yet accurately captures all the doubts, fears, and auxieties of teen years but with a Gallic spin which is about as far from the inanities of American Pie as you can get.

Obadia and Chevrier met a couple of years ago. The loosely autobiographical material was the starting point - then they wanted to find a structure that would keep the pace upbeat. Colourful animation sequences by Sébastien Laudenbach help along the action. Each took on the work of the character that they had most input into creating - Romain for Chevrier and Roudoudou for Obadia. The result has picked up festival awards including the grand prix in Arcachon and acclaim at the Forum for European Cinema in Strasbourg,

Cast:	Julie Durand, Alexis Roucout,
	Alice Houri, Jean-Baptiste
	Pénigault, Nicolas
	Duvauchelle, Laurent Godard
Dir:	Agnès Obadia, Jean Julien

Prod: Magouric Productions. Agnès Obadia, Jean Julien Chevrier

Raphaëlle Urtin

Marie Spencer. Nathalie Langlade Mus: Nicolas Subréchicot Int sales: Films Distribution, 6 rue de l'Ecole de Médecine. 75006 Paris Tel 00 33 1 53 10 33 99 www.filmsdistribution.com

#### INCH'ALLAH DIMANCHE Thank God, it's Sunday

GLASGOW

5.45pm (+intro talk)

Fri 22 Nov, **EDINBURGH** 

Sat 23 Nov. 6.00pm

Sun 24 Nov.

5.45pm (+intro talk)

ABERDEEN

8.45pm

Wed 20 Nov, 4.15pm & 6.30pm

In 1974, the French government announced a new policy whereby the families of Algerian men working in France may emigrate to join them. Zouina (Fejria Deliba) arrives with her three children and mother-in-law, and soon they're whisked off to the house that her husband Ahmed has rented for them.

Very soon, Zouina discovers that this house is about as much of France that her husband intends for her to see. Forbidden to go out, far from her own family and friends, and more than ever under the control of her mother-in-law, Zouina feels the world closing down around her. Her only salvation is on Sunday -"Inch'Allah dimanche!, Thank God it's Sunday!" - the day her husband takes his mother out for daytrips, allowing her and the children to escape for a few hours and discover some surprising things about this new country of theirs.

The past decade has witnessed a steady stream of films about France's emigrant communities, yet what so distinguishes Yamina Benguigui's first feature is the rich, clearly personal texture of the work. You always feel that this is a story being told from within this community, not merely about the community. An award-winner in Toronto, Areachon and Marrrakech.

Feiria Deliba, Rabia Mokedem, Amina Annabi, Anass Behri, Hamza Dubuih, Ed: Rabia Mokedem, Zinedine Soualem, France Darry, Roger Dumasm Marie-France Pisier, Mathilde Seigner, Jalil Lespert, Philippe Dupuis-Mendel

Yamina Benguigui Prod: Bandits Long/ARP Philippe Dupuis-Mendel

Yamina Benguigui Scr: Antoine Roch Nadia Ben Rachid French/Arabic/English subtitles

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#### LES MORSURES DE L'AUBE Love Bites

GLASGOW

Fri 22 Nov, 8.45pm Sat 23 Nov. 5.45pm

**EDINBURGH** 

Thu 21 Nov, 3.00pm & 8.45pm

A vampire thriller woven around the nocturnal experiences of Guillaume Canet's youthful social parasite and Gérard Lanvin's older lag. Asia Argento is the woman who snares them into the dark side. Antoine (Canet who started his international career with The Beach) makes his living off others, sleeping at his friend's health club, living out of a gym locker, borrowing money and crashing parties. But he finds himself working overtime when he's hired by wealthy club owner Von Bulow to track down the elusive Jordan. All Antoine knows is that Jordan 'lives by the night,' but he soon finds that information about Jordan doesn't come without a price.

De Caunes, an FFF guest three years ago and here making his directing debut is remarkably restrained, finding more in common with Scorsese's After Hours and Tarantino's Pulp Fiction than your average vampire movie, mixing both film noir and black comedy in a heady concoction.

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Scr: novel by Tonino Benacquista TROIS ZÉROS Shooting Stars

GLASGOW

Thu 28 Nov, 4.15pm & 8.15pm

EDINBURGH

Mon 25 Nov. 8.15pm 4.15pm

Tue 26 Nov, DUNDEE

Wed 27 Nov, 6.15pm

A chummy, funny send-up of the glamour and backstabbing of the pro sports world, Shooting Stars uses the same formula of expedient insouciance as Fabien Onteniente's previous hit, Jet Set, again contrasting the movers and shakers of Paris with the decent common man from the working-class suburbs. Manu (Samuel Le Bihan), a big-hearted but clueless shambles, and Tibor Kovacs (Lorant Deutsch), a diminutive but talented Hungarian soccer player, get acquainted when sharing a prison cell. They agree that Manu will serve as Tibor's sports agent

The targets of the satire include merchandising contracts, sports groupies and venal sharks, in between contrasting the high-powered matches of stadium soccer with the muddyweekend heartbreak of devoted amateur players. The matches were staged in real stadiums around Paris for maximum authenticity, though the efficiently filmed narrative keeps actual playing to a minimum. Former Paris mayor Jean Tiberi appears in a funny cameo officiating at the bogus marriage that will permit Tibor to play as a "Frenchman".

Gerard Lanvin, Samuel Le Bihan, Lorant Deutsch, Gerard Darmon, Ticky Holgado, Isabelle Nanty, Stomy Bugsy, Wladimir Yordanoff, Serge Riaboukine

when they're out of the clink.

Films production, with

Fabien Onteniente Mandarin presentation of a Mandarin, TF1 Films, Bac participation of Canal Plus. Eric and Nicolas Altmayer

Ex prod: Pierre Chalons Onteniente, Philippe Guillard,

Manu Booz. Jerome Robert

Ed: Dominique Gallieni, Vincent Nicolas Errera, Stomy Bugsy

Int sales: TF1, 1 Quai du Point du Jour, 92100 Boulogne-Billancourt Paris Tel 00 33 1 41 41 15 04. fax 41 41 31 44, 2002, 98 mins

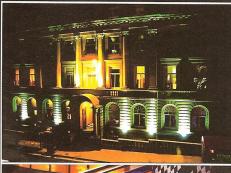
#### Guillaume Canet

Canet has extensive acting experience in theatre, television and film. He also has directed a number of stage productions and has just finished his first feature as a director for the cinema, a comedy set in the world of television. Canet's breakthrough came on stage in La Ville dont Le Prince est un Enfant with Christophe Malayov. directed by Pierre Boutron at the Theatre Hebertot, His other stage credits include Grande Ecole at the Theatre 14, directed by Patrice Kerbrat, and Les Enfants du Paradis at Theatre du Rond-Point, directed by Marcel Marechal, After appearing in several television features, Canet co-starred with Jean Rochefort in the feature film Barracuda, directed by Philippe Haim. His additional feature film credits include Remi Waterhouse's Je regle mon pas sur le pas de mon père; Christian Leigh's Sentimental Education; Pierre Jolivet's En plein coeur (for which he won best newcomer César); Jerry Schatzberg's The Day the Ponies Come Back: Andrezi Zulawski's La fidelité, co-starring with Sophie Marceau; Danny Boyle's The Beach and Antoine de Caunes's Les morsures de l'aube.

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#### Formal education: Schools and Colleges

Further developing the strengths of the last few years, FFF 2002 offers screenings of three films for secondary pupils and one film for sixth formers and college students.

Edinburgh Filmhouse and Glasgow Film Theatre have taken a pre-festival opportunity to bring back one of the FFF 2001 hits - The Girl from Paris/Une hirondelle a fait le printemps - enhanced with an introduction, a short post-screening discussion and work-packs. In addition, CFT will give similar treatment to the FFF 2000 hit La vache et le Président

#### The Girl from Paris

Edinburgh Filmhouse The Glasgow Film Theatre Mc Glasgow Film Theatre Tue Glasgow Film Theatre We

Thu 30 Oct 10.00am Mon 11 Nov 10.00am Tue 12 Nov 10.00am Wed 13 Nov 10.00am

#### La vache et le Président

Glasgow Film Theatre Mon 4 Nov 10.00am Glasgow Film Theatre Tue 5 Nov 10.00am

The main Secondary School focus is Monsieur Batignole, a charming, colourful, funny and thought-provoking film about life in France under the Second World War Occupation. All Scottish venues will provide introduction, a short postscreening discussion and work-packs.

#### Monsieur Batignole

Aberdeen Belmont Wed 20 Nov 10.00am
Edinburgh Filmhouse Fri 22 Nov 10.00am
Glasgow Film Theatre Mon 25 Nov 10.00am
Dundee Contemporary Arts Tue 26 Nov 10.00am
In addition, the FFF offers a discussion
opportunity after screenings of the hilarious
football comedy Trois zéros, which is being
specially targeted at sixth formers and
college/university students.

#### Trois zéros

Edinburgh Filmhouse Tue 26 Nov 4.15pm - (public show but educational group bookings welcome.)
Glasgow Film Theatre Thu 28 Nov 10.00am (+4.15pm public show/educational group bookings welcome)

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In addition to these educational screenings, Schools and Colleges should be aware that Filmhouse, GFT, the Belmont and the DCA will all welcome educational group bookings for any appropriate public shows during the FFF 2002.

#### Informal Education

Two films - La fille de Keltoum and Inch'Allah Dimanche - will feature introductions and post-screening discussions at various venues. There will also be special Cinéfantastique lectures in Edinburgh and Clasgow linked to screenings of Le petit Poucet, and an adult education lecture on French Cinema and the Occupation in Edinburgh linked to Monsieur Batignole.

#### La fille de Keltoum

Shiona Wood, Filmhouse Education Officer, will raise questions about themes and issues in the film on Wed 20 Nov at 6.00pm at Filmhouse.

#### Inch'Allah Dimanche

Edinburgh University lecturer Aedin Ni Loingsigh will introduce the film and lead discussions after screenings at GFT on Fri 22 Nov at 5.45pm and at Filmhouse on Sun 24 Nov at 5.45pm.

Lesley McCale, Belmont Adult Education Officer, will raise questions about themes and issues in *Inch'Allah Dimanche* at Aberdeen Belmont on Wed 20 Nov at 6,30pm.

#### Le petit Poucet

Elizabeth Ezra, a Senior Lecturer in French at Stirling University, will present Ginéfantastique, an illustrated talk on the tradition of the fantastic in French cinema, before the screenings of Le petit Poucet at GFT on Sat 23 Nov at 2.00pm and at Filmhouse on Sun 24 Nov at 2.00pm.

#### Monsieur Batignole

Bill Kidd, Reader in French at Stirling University, will be giving an illustrated talk on French Cinema and the Occupation at Filmhouse on Sun 17 Nov at 5.45pm. In addition Bertrand Tavemier's Second World War drama Laissez - passer will be screening at Filmhouse from Fri 8 - Thu 21 Nov and at the Aberdeen Belmont from Fri 29 Nov - Thu 5 Dec.

## REAL LIVES ON THE MENU

As part of the French Film Festival 2002 the French Institute in Scotland have curated two series of documentaries, which will be shown at lunchtime at the Institut français d'Ecosse in Edinburgh and Glasgow Film Theatre.

Real lives on the menu are screened at:

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The documentaries by Nicolas Philibert and Justice for All are curated bu the French Institute in Scotland. All video projections are subtitled. Entrance is free but ticketed and subject to availability.





WORKS BY NICOLAS PHILIBERT 19 - 22 November

LA MOINDRE DES CHOSES

Tue 19 Nov, 12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse Tue 19 Nov, 12.30pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

Under the supervision of actors and musicians, the inmates of the La Borde psychiatric hospital are getting ready to stage a production of Gombrowicz's Operetta.

Nicolas Philipert

Prod: Canal+, Films d'ici, La Sept cinéma 1996 100 mins.

UN ANIMAL, DES ANIMAUX

Wed 20 Nov. 12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse Wed 20 Nov 1.30pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

The National Museum of Natural History in Paris contains, like Noah's Ark, examples of everything on this planet which flies, crawls, swims or walks. Made during refurbishment, this film tells the story of the re-birth of the museum and its strange inmates.

Nicolas Philibert

Channel 4, CNC, France 2, Films d'ici, Ministère de la Recherche, Ministère des Affaires Etrangères, Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Rai 3, TSR. 1994 57 mins

LE MONDE DES SOURDS

Thu 21 Nov. 12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse Thu 21 Nov. 1.00pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

What is it like for the thousands of people who are born deaf? Nicolas Philibert provides an insight into this unfamiliar land with its particular codes of communication, where looking and touching become so important.

Nicolas Philibert

Canal+, CEC Rhône-Alpes, Fondation Gan, La Sept, Films d'ici. Ministère des Affaires Etrangères. 1992 95 mins

LA VILLE LOUVRE

Fri 22 Nov. 12 noon -Institut français d'Ecosse Fri 22 Nov 1.00pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

What happens in a museum when it is closed to visitors? Pictures are hung, rooms are reorganised and the museum guards try on new uniforms. A humorous account of life behind the closed doors of one of the world's biggest museums. Europa Prize for best documentary 1990

Nicolas Philibert

A2, CNC, La Sept, Films d'ici, Ministère des Affaires Etrangères, Prod:

JUSTICE FOR ALL 27 - 30 November

LA RAGE ET LE RÊVE DES CONDAMNÉS

12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse Wed 27 Nov. 1.30pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

Using the story of Jimmy Boyle, Scottish rebel condemned to life imprisonment in 1967, turned sculptor during his time in an experimental unit, this film focuses on life and the role of creative art in prison.

Jean-Pierre Krieff

Prod: ARTE, KS visions 2000 67 mins,

LA COMMISSION DE LA VÉRITÉ

Thu 28 Nov. 12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse Thu 28 Nov. 12.30pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

In South Africa, after the first democratic elections in 1994, which marked the end of racial segregation, the Commission for Truth and Reconciliation was set up by Nelson Mandela. A moving account of collectively laying ghosts to rest and a way of exorcising barbarity. SCAM Prize for best documentary 2000

André Van In

Prod: Archipel 33, Sept ARTE 1999 140 mins,

DÉLITS FLAGRANTS

12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse Fri 29 Nov. 12.30pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

Raymond Depardon films step-by-step the police procedures undergone by detainees who have been caught red-handed (from their arrival at the police station to their meeting with the defence lawyer). César for best documentary 1995

Raymon Depardon

Prod: Double D copyright films 1994 109 mins

UN COUPABLE IDÉAL

Sat 30 Nov, 12 noon - Institut français d'Ecosse

1.00pm - Glasgow Film Theatre

Florida, USA, 7 May 2000. In a car park in Jacksonville, a white tourist is killed. Two hours later, Brenton Butler, a fifteen-year-old black man, is arrested. Formally identified by the victim's husband, he signs a confession. For the investigation team and the media, it is the usual « open and shut case ». When looking into the case, the lawyers for the defence discover disturbing facts, which put into doubt the conclusion reached by the police. Best documentary Oscar award winner 2001

Jean-Xavier de Lestrade

Maha productions, Pathé archives. 2001 115 mins



#### ETRE ET AVOIR To Be and to Have

GLASGOW

Fri 15 Nov, 3.00pm Sat 16 Nov. 3.00pm **FDINBURGH** 

Sun 17 Nov. 3.00pm

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One of today's most sensitive and expressive documentary film-makers, Nicolas Philibert crafts works that have the elegance and emotional breadth of great fiction. To Be and to Have, which recounts a year in the life of a one-room schoolhouse in an isolated Auvergne dairy farming region, is his most exquisite film yet.

What makes any great documentary is the number of or superb planning, which brought director and sensitive observer Nicolas Philibert to George Lopez's classroom.

George Lopez, Alize, Axel, Guillaume, Jessie, Jojo, Johan, Jonathan, Julien, Laura, Letitia, Marie-Elisabeth, Nathalie, Oliver

Nicolas Philibert Prod: Gilles Sandoz

Nicolas Philibert

Nicolas Philibert, Katell Dijan, Laurent Didier, Hugues Gemignani

The man is something of a teaching god, demanding respect and admiration from his varied students, helping them develop into confident, able kids, who can hold their own at the next schools. His dedication is clear from the fact that he lives, apparently alone, above the school and his work is his life.

Though he appears fearsome at first, his love of the work shines through and you can only admire his energy. An important element of this breaking of a tough exterior is through his most lovable disruptive student. You promise yourself you won't fall for the charms of Jojo, but you eannot miss the boy as, in an otherwise peaceful classroom, he's a little whirlwind of attention-grabbing mayhem.

Philibert makes something momentous of each interaction between the children and their ineffably gentle teacher, each in his or her own way coming to terms with the reality of change. Tender, wise, and lyrical, To Be and to interesting and entertaining characters. It's either great luck, Have is heartbreakingly beautiful and uplifting in the best sense of the word. Obligatory viewing for anyone who has ever set foot in a classroom.

Nicolas Philibert

Mus: Philippe Hersant

Int sales: Mercure-distribution, 27 rue de la Butte-aux-Cailles, 75013 Paris Tel 00 33 1 44 16 88 44 Fax 00 33 1 45 65 07 47 www.mercure-distribution.fr

2002 104mins

#### WORDS SANS FRONTIÈRES? Round Table Session: Finding the write stuff

Thu 21 Nov, 6-8pm Institut français d'Ecosse, Edinburgh Although Britain and France are close neighbours the number of film projects that are shared in common are few and far between, Traditionally France has sought out partners in Italy and Spain rather than across the Channel, while Britain always has been allied countries; the linguistic stumbling blocks; the lack of proper to the United States through the strong common bonds of language.

During this year's French Film Festival a round table session has been inaugurated to talk about the themes and to look at the differences in traditions, and the possibilities of forging more

Paul Gallagher, director of Euroscript and Philippa Goslet, producer andscriptwriter, will represent the British point of view

while Sandrine Voillet, a French screenwriter and member of the London Screenwriters Workshop will argue the French case alongside writers and directors attending the festival.

Topics under review will include co-productions between the two communication and information; the financial supports and why France's emerging talents work in a more favorable climate than their British counterparts; and the differences in work methods.

The director of Institut français d'Ecosse in Edinburgh, Ashok Adicéam will chair the encounter. The session is free but please register your interest in advance on 0131 225 5366 or email the cultural officer at the Institut français on culture@ifecosse.org.uk.

#### CINÉMA VERITÉ

PHILIBERT the gentle giant

Nicolas Philibert who was born in 195, studied philosophy before he became an assistant director and designer on films by René Allio Alain Tanner, and Claude Goretta among others. He's been rather a well-kept secret until this year when Etre ou avoir was screened in the official selection at the Cannes Film Festival. In 1978 he directed with Gérard Mordillat a feature length documentary, La voix de son Maître/His Maste's Voice, as well as three hours of television under the title Patrons/Télévision, which gave a platform to different heads of industry in France. It was censored at the time. but was finally aired almost a decade later. Between 1985 à 1988, Philibert directed many adventure documentaries and also several portaits including La face nord du camembert, Christophe, Y'a pas de malaise, Trilogie pour un homme seul. Vas-v Lapébiel, and le Come hack de Bacquet.

At the same time he produced L'Heure exquise directed by René Allio, and published two books: Ces patrons éclairés qui craignent la lumière (in collaboration with Gérard Mordillat). and Hélène Vernet, 39 rue Chaptal, Levallois-Perret (in collaboration with Suzel Galliard), In 1989, Nicolas Philibert made La ville Louvre and between 1991-1992, Le Pays des sourds. At the same time between 1991 and 1994 - he began filming Un animal, des animaux, as well as several short films commissioned by the Galerie de Zoologie du Muséum. His feature length documentary La moindre des choses



## LES COURTS-MÉTRAGES

GLASGOW

Fri 22 Nov.

EDINBURGH

Sat 16 Nov, 5.30pm

Many of the greats of French cinema took their first creative steps by making shorts, among them Alain Resnais, Maurice Pialat, Betrand Blier, François Truffaut, Jacques Tati to the more recent generations including such representatives as Léos Carax, Christian Vincent, Eric Rochant, Cédric Klapisch, Claude Duty, and Jean-Pierre Jeunet.

More than 300 court-métrages are made in France every year and festivals such as Clermont-Ferrand and Brest as well as many others are devoted to the art. The French Film Festival has always sought to encourage new talents, an aim that finds expression not only in the New Waves selection but also in this array of short films. Some are submissions from the film-makers themselves, others have been curated by Ainhoa Jauregui who is in charge of shorts within Unifrance.

#### Breaking and Entering

On a holiday weekend two burglars break into a supposedly empty appartment and are surprised to discover someone locked in a cupboard. The encounter throws their plans off balance - and also leads to a shift in the relationship between the two thieves. Of most pressing concern is what to do with the witness. The FFF is pleased to welcome back Patrick Halpine whose first short Le cadeau de maman was shown at the festival two years ago.

Selma Kouchy

Prod: Ze Prod. 60 rue Boursault. 75017 Paris Tel 00 33 1 53 11 20 00 Fax 00 33 1 53 11 20 01 email joebob@joebob.fr.

Eric Weber

Didier Loiseau

2001 20mins

By killing, one may become a saint... This intriguing and dark tale has been seen and warmly received at festivals in Cognac, Valenciennes as well as internationally in Milan, Teheran, and Palm Springs.

François Berléand and Daniel Rialet

Stephan Guerin Tillie

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2002 9mins

Viktor et le ombres by Laurent Mathieu 11mins

Domicile by Matt Dray 12mins

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Des morceaux de ma femme Bianca Films 10mins

Le taxi by Gabriel Mamruth 9mins

Siestas by Lucia Sanchez 18mins Paradisiaque by Igor Pelic 4mins

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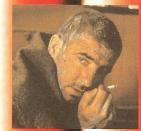
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