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International Poetry Film Festival of Thuringia starts ticket sales

Three weeks of watching about 150 poetry films, plus workshops, lectures, interviews, live streams, and an international award ceremony - all this awaits poetry film fans and online visitors of the new festival

This year, the Weimar Poetry Film Prize, which has been awarded since 2016, will be presented for the first time as part of its own festival. Initially meant to take place in May/June, the International Poetry Film Festival of Thuringia will begin online from October 22-25, due to a pandemic. While this may be a pity for die-hard festival-goers, it offers the new festival the opportunity to present itself to a worldwide short film scene at its premiere.

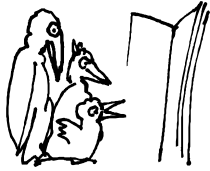
The festival begins on October 22 with a special focus on Africa, which can be watched via live stream. This emphasis is intended to contribute to improving the visibility and perception of African poetry film. The countries Mozambique and South Africa will be featured especially.

There are also exciting special programs to watch: The "Women in Resistance" program illustrates how much video poetry is part of global poetic activism. A retrospective is dedicated to the Canadian video pioneer Tom Konyves and his films. Furthermore, international and German-language short films and the Weimar Winners of the years 2016-2019 will be screened. Under the title "The Art of Videohaiku", the festival invites participants to create poetry films in small format themselves and to interpret the haiku audiovisually. The Dutch filmmaker Helmie Stil introduces her video poetry in a lecture she gave at the Bauhaus University during the summer semester. The latest Thuringian poetry film productions will also be shown.

On Saturday, October 24, the 5th Weimar Poetry Film Prize will be awarded at the Lichthaus cinema. The international jury consists of photographer and lecturer Kathrin Tillmanns, literary scholar and author Jan-Volker Röhnert and filmmaker Helmie Stil. The award ceremony will be broadcast from 6-9 pm (CET). This year the audience can vote for their favorite online. The Official Selection will be published on October 1st.

The four main festival days will end on Sunday, October 25, with a matinee at the MonAmi cinema. The film KENT OZANI, which accompanies the poet José A. Oliver during his stay in Istanbul, will be screened. José A. Oliver will be in attendance and take part in a discussion.

The festival website www.poetryfilmtage.de is now online!



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Ticket sales have started!

Get your ticket here!

<https://www.eventbrite.de/e/international-poetry-film-festival-of-thuringia-tickets-122205657411?aff=efbeventtix>

The code to the protected festival area on the website costs 10 Euro and is valid for three weeks from October 22nd until November 12th.

The live streams can be found on the festival website and will stay accessible afterward.

Program

The complete program will be available by beginning of October.
The catalog will be published in time.

Livestreams

www.youtube.com/poetryfilmkanal

Social media

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Background

In recent years, Weimar has become a center for poetry film. This is the case in several respects: since 2014, new poetry films have been created each year at the Bauhaus University. In 2015, the international Poetry Film Magazine went online. And since 2016, the Chair of Multimedia Narration at Bauhaus University and the Literary Society of Thuringia have been awarding the "Weimar Poetry Film Prize". The competition was part of the backup_festival, the university short film festival, until 2019. Poetry films made in Thuringia have been successful at international short film festivals multiple times.

Sponsors

The "International Thuringian Poetry Film Festival" is financed by the Cultural Foundation of the Free State of Thuringia, the City of Weimar, and the Sparkasse Middle Thuringia.

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