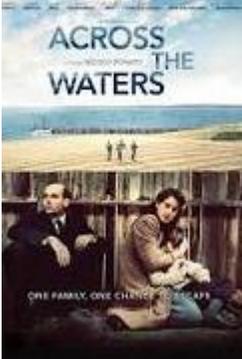
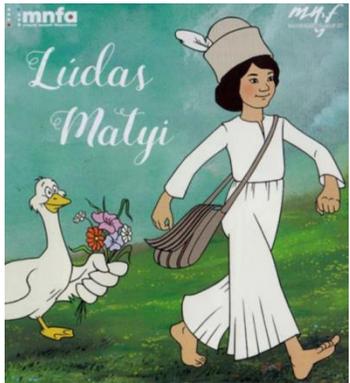


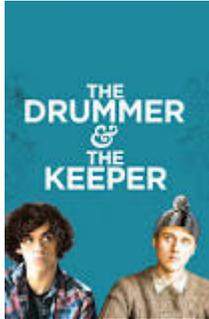
EU Film Festival 2018

No.	Country	Title	Year	Length	Director	Synopsis
1	Belgium	Flying Home	2014	95'	Dominique Deruddere	<p>Colin Montgomery, an up-and-coming Wall Street whiz kid, is given a week to sign up a potential client - an incredibly wealthy sheikh - or risk losing his job. To impress the sheikh, Colin goes to Flanders to track down a world-class racing pigeon. But things get complicated when he finds himself falling for the pigeon owner's granddaughter.</p> <p>This movie will be shown with the support of the Flemish Community of Belgium – Flanders</p> <p>Genre: romantic drama</p> 
2	Czech Republic	Ark of Lights and Shadows	2019	90'	Jan Svatoš	<p>They met on Friday, getting married secretly on Sunday. They had to run away from home due to their parents wrath, so they rather spent their honeymoons among the cannibals in the South Seas. There they lost their illusions, camera and almost their lives. At the moment when many people would have abandoned filming, Martin and Osa Johnson risked their lives to give the testimony of diminishing wildlife. The film is an authentic footprint of era when filming in Africa itself was more dangerous than lions or malaria. Although they were celebrities admired by Ch. Chaplin or British Royal Family, they are forgotten nowadays. This feature documentary discovers the work and legacy of these outstanding pioneer filmmakers in Africa for the first time in a new perspective.</p> <p>Genre: Documentary</p>

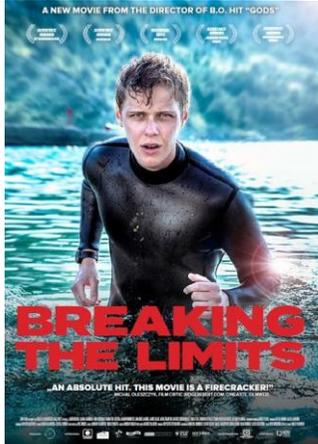
						
3	Denmark	Across the Waters	2016	90'	Nicolo Donato	<p>The year is 1943. Arne Itkin is a famous Jewish jazz musician living in Copenhagen with his wife Miriam and their son Jakob. Rumours are starting to spread that the Germans are planning to deport all Danish Jews, and as the raid on the Jewish community begins, the family barely manages to escape from their central Copenhagen apartment. They are told they could be sailed across the strait to Sweden by local fishermen, but collaborators and the Gestapo are soon on their track. Now it is all about survival for the small family. Can they rely on the people who would actually be able to help them?</p> <p>Genre: Drama</p> 
4	Finland	Unexpected Journey / Saattokeikka	2017	78'	Samuli Valkama	<p>A modern road movie about friendship that breaks the borders. Veikko is an old prejudiced man, who has ended up living in an suburban apartment block filled with colourful section of refugees and immigrants. Kamal is a 17-year-old boy, who's fed up in life in Finland and his dream is to move to Nairobi, to live with his father. The only problem is that he doesn't have a job or the money to buy the flight ticket. Veikko is ill and has decided to go and die in his summer cottage 300 km from Helsinki. Veikko hires Kamal to help him to get to his cottage with few turns on the way. Veikko and Kamal seem to have similar family issues. On the road Veikko and Kamal start to understand a bit more and both of them learn a lot – from each other.</p> <p>Genre: Drama/Comedy</p>

						
5	France	Le Brio	2017	95	Yvan Attal	<p>Neïla Salah grew up in the Paris banlieue of Créteil, dreaming of becoming a lawyer. On her first day at the prestigious Université D'Assas in Paris, she faces off with Pierre Mazard, a teacher known for his outrageous and provocative behavior. To redeem himself, the professor agrees to prepare Neïla for the prestigious contest of eloquence. Pierre could become the mentor she needs... But they must both overcome their prejudices. The script was inspired by the annual rhetoric competitions held in France's most prestigious law schools, where students are invited to plead on a wide range of subjects in the most eloquent and imaginative way possible.</p> <p>Note: on French language: "le brio" means eloquence. Genre: Comedy.</p> 
6	Germany	In the Fade	2016-17	106'	Fatih Akin	<p>Katja Şekerci's husband and their small son, Rocco, are killed in a bomb attack. Katja enters a severe crisis, especially since the police ignore the attack's extremist rightwing background much too long. When the perpetrators are nevertheless finally brought to trial, Katja has to suffer yet another painful experience – they are acquitted due to a lack of evidence. Now, the young woman wants to take justice in her own hands.</p> <p>IN THE FADE has been awarded, among others, a Golden Globe Award, the German Critics Award, and the German "Golden Camera". It was shortlisted for the Oscars.</p> <p>Genre: Crime, Drama, Thriller</p>

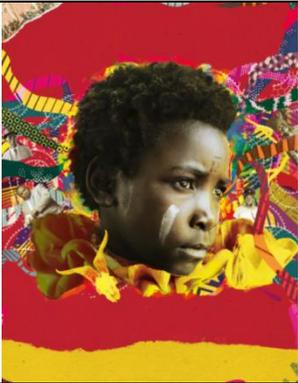
						
7	Hungary	Mattie the Gooseboy	1976	96'	Attila Dargay	<p>Based on a popular 1817 epic poem by the Hungarian writer Mihály Fazekas, 'Mattie the Gooseboy' is the adventure-packed tale of a high-spirited peasant boy and his best pal, a goose. After he refuses to give his feathered friend to the haughty feudal lord, he gets beaten up by his soldiers. Mattie swears that he will get his revenge by beating the lord up three times. By using various disguises, he succeeds. Completed as the second Hungarian animated feature film, it has become one of the most popular movies of all time in Hungary. The accompanying music score of the film is based on compositions by the composer Ferenc Liszt.</p> <p>Genre:</p> 
		SING	2016	25'		<p>Zsofi is struggling to fit in at her new school - singing in the school's famous choir is her only consolation. But the choir director may not be the inspirational teacher everyone thinks she is...It will take Zsofi and her new friend Liza to teach their teacher a lesson. Zsofi is admitted to her new school's famous choir but soon learns of the cruel ways of their choir director. It will take Zsofi and a new friend to teach their teacher a lesson.</p> <p>Based on a true story, SING follows an award-winning school choir and the new</p>

						<p>girl in class facing a tough choice: to stand up against a corrupt system - or to fit quietly into it. Genre: Drama/Short film</p> 
8	Ireland	The Drummer and the Keeper	2017	94'	Nick Kelly	<p>You find true friendship in the craziest places! Gabriel is a chaotic young rock drummer desperate to hide his recent Bipolar diagnosis from his increasingly exasperated band mates. At the therapeutic mixed-ability football game he's obliged to attend as part of his treatment Gabriel is spectacularly upended by goalkeeper Christopher, an institutionalised 17-year-old with Aspergers Syndrome. Having taken violent revenge, Gabriel faces expulsion – and the prospect of being sectioned - unless he “makes friends” with Christopher. When the isolated and socially-inept young goalkeeper takes this grudging offer of friendship literally, Gabriel finds his footsteps dogged and secrets threatened by an embarrassingly eager and dangerously tactless new disciple. Genre:Drama</p> 
9	Italy	Quiet Bliss / “In grazia di Dio”	2014	127'	Edoardo Winspeare	<p>Three generations of a family has to move back to their picturesque coastal town of their family's origin and survive off the family farm, after their family company goes bankrupt. A feel-good drama about possibilities after a crises. Genre:Drama</p>

						
10	Netherlands	The Marathon	2012	110'	Diederick Koopal	<p>Four out-of-shape men from Rotterdam train for a marathon in order to pay off an unexpectedly owed debt. Despite their dedication, not everything goes according to plan. A beautiful story about the city of Rotterdam, friendship, and perseverance.</p> <p>Genre: Drama/Sport</p> 
11	Poland	Breaking The Limits	2017	110'	Łukasz Palkowski	<p>From drug addict to Ironman, the life and times of Jerzy Górski. This enthralling biopic, featuring an all-star Polish cast, tells the story of Górski's battle with addiction, the arduous training sessions and sheds light on a number of little-known aspects of life in socialist Poland during the seventies and eighties.</p> <p>Genre:Drama/sport</p>

						
12	Portugal	Alentejo, Alentejo	2014	98'	Sérgio Tréfaut	<p>The documentary celebrates 'cante alentejano', a Southern Portuguese traditional polyphonic vocal music that is Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity since 2014. The same year, it won the prize for the best feature-length film at Indielisboa festival.</p> <p>'Cante' involves a male or a female choir, with two soloist, and the effect of the choir in full voice is rather impressive. The lyrics deal with love, landscape, work, history, political resistance (during the dictatorship of Salazar) and the hardships of life in Alentejo's agricultural and mining region, boosting solidarity and communal activity among peasants or miners, vital in times of economic strife. A 'cante' song, composed by the composer and singer José Afonso - Grândola, vila morena - gave the signal that initiated the military operation which led to the successful Revolution of Carnations, in 25th of April 1974.</p> <p>Alentejo, Alentejo features this musical tradition together with other aspects of Portuguese social culture, and is a cinematographic treat of Portuguese and European cultural diversity. Genre: Documentary</p> 
13	Spain	Truman	2015	114	Cesc Gay	<p>Truman revolves around the relationship between two old friends and a dog. Julian, a theatre actor, has had cancer for a year. He receives an unexpected visit from his friend Tomás, a Spanish professor in Canada. For four intense days, the two men accompanied by Julian's faithful dog, Truman, will share emotional and surprising moments prompted by Julián's complicated farewell.</p>

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14	Sweden	Tsatsiki, Dad And The Olive War / Tsatsiki, farsan och olivkriget	2016	91'	Lisa James Larsson	<p>Tsatsiki longs for the summer holidays when he will go to Greece to see his father, Yanis. When Tsatsiki arrives in Agios Ammos, the village has changed. Hotels and restaurants are deserted. There is a financial crisis in Greece and his beloved village isn't as he remembered. When Yanis tells Tsatsiki he might have to sell their hotel and olive grove, Tsatsiki is heartbroken...</p> <p>Genre: Comedy/drama – suitable for children</p> 
15	UK	I am not a Witch	2017	93'	Rungano Nyoni	<p>Director Rungano Nyoni's debut feature is a present-day observation of beliefs in witchcraft. Filmed in Zambia, it blends magical realist drama, wry satire and feminist allegory in its exploration of superstition and attitudes to women and girls. Following a minor incident in her village 8-year old Shula is accused of witchcraft. After a short trial she is found guilty and exiled to a witch camp in the middle of a desert. Here she is put through an initiation ceremony and taught the rules of her new life as a witch. Along with the other residents, Shula is tied to a ribbon which is attached to a coil that perches in a large tree. She is told that should she ever cut the ribbon, she'll be cursed and transformed into a goat. Tribal elders seek to exploit Shula's growing reputation while the witch camp endures work duties and tourist visits. Official Selection Cannes Film Festival 2017 - Directors' Fortnight - World premiere</p> <p>Genre: Documentary</p>

						
16	EU/AU	Ouaga Girls	2017	83'	Theresa Traore Dahlberg	<p>A group of young women from Ouagadougou study at a girl school to become car mechanics. The class mates becomes their port of safety, joy and sisterhood, all while they are going through the life changing transition into becoming adults in a country boiling with political changes.</p> <p>A group of young women tweak machines and hammer away at a school for auto mechanics in Ouagadougou in this poetic story about life choices, sisterhood and the endeavor to find your own way. In a country with youth unemployment at 52 percent, jobs are a hot issue. The young girls at a mechanics school in Burkina Faso's capital, Ouagadougou are right in the middle of a crucial point in life when their dreams, hopes and courage are confronted with opinions, fears and society's expectations of what a woman should be. Using interesting narrative solutions, Theresa Traore Dahlberg depicts their last school years and at the same time succeeds at showing the country's violent past and present. This is a feature-film debut and coming-of-age film with much warm, laughs, heartbreak and depth. Genre:Documentary</p>
17	Slovakia					
	WIDER EUROPE GUESTS					



18	Azerbaijan	A Lifelong Mission	2016		Arzu Aliyeva	<p>The documentary film was filmed by the Baku Media Center with the support of the Heydar Aliyev Foundation. The film is dedicated to the lives of the members of the Azerbaijani delegation to the Paris Peace Conference in 1919, as well as a number of our fellow countrymen fleeing to France to escape persecution by the Bolshevik (communist) regime. A Lifelong Mission reveals the tumultuous story of the Azerbaijani delegation to the Paris Peace Conference in January 1919 led by Alimardan bey Topchubashov, then the Speaker of Parliament of the first Republic of Azerbaijan (1918-1920).</p> 
19	Turkey					