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THU, 10/8



FATHERLAND

7:00 PM @ AERO THEATRE
GUEST: FILMMAKER PAWEL PAWLIKOWSKI

Poland's entry to the 99th Academy Awards © - Best Intl. Feature featuring Sandra Hüller as Erika Mann.

FRI, 10/9



IT'LL BE OK

5:00 PM @ WENDE MUSEUM
GUEST: FILMMAKER BERND SAHLING

Bernd Sahling's intimate doc is the first film to capture the punk scene in the GDR.

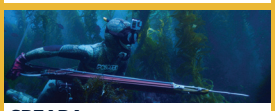


RED STARS UPON THE FIELD

7:15 PM @ WENDE MUSEUM
GUEST: FILMMAKER LAURA LAABS

Laura Laabs' multi-award-winning debut feature digs up 100 years of German history.

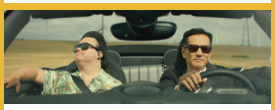
SAT, 10/10



SPEARA

12:00 PM @ GOETHE-INSTITUT
GUEST: FILMMAKER FLORIAN BARON

This immersive Doc dives into the life of World Champion spearfisher Mitsuki Hara.



THE FROG AND THE WATER

4:00 PM @ LOS FELIZ 3

Veteran Filmmaker Thomas Stuber's Off-beat road trip across Germany, Switzerland, and Japan.

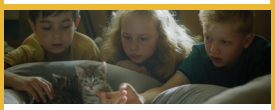


A LAND WITHIN

7:00 PM @ LOS FELIZ 3
GUEST: FILMMAKER MICHAEL KOFLER

Michael Kofler's debut feature highlights the thin line between conviction and radicalization.

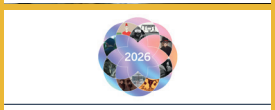
SUN, 10/11



KOSCHKA

11:00 AM @ GOETHE-INSTITUT
GUEST: FILMMAKER BERND SAHLING

A heart-warming, family-friendly tale about responsibility, independence, and friendship



NEXT GEN SHORT TIGER 2026

2:00 PM @ GOETHE-INSTITUT

Beloved showcase of remarkable award-winning student short films from Germany.



PUNCHING THE WORLD

4:30 PM @ GOETHE-INSTITUT

Constanze Klaue's debut feature is a powerful meditation on Germany's post-reunification era and the dangers of alienation.

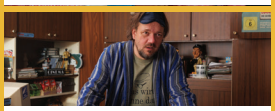


PHANTOMS OF JULY

7:00 PM @ GOETHE-INSTITUT

Julian Radlmaier's multi-award-winning 5th feature is a dream-like romantic adventure with ghosts.

MON, 10/12



BERLIN HERO

7:30 PM @ AERO THEATRE
CLOSING NIGHT FILM

Wolfgang Becker's final film is a heart-warming, honest comedy about the nature of truth.

TUE, 10/13



TOMORROW I'LL BE BRAVE

PRIVATE SCHOOL MATINEE @ GARDENA CINEMA

Bernd Sahling's charmingly authentic portrait of first love, with all the complications and excitement that come with it.