

## Big Success ‘Inner Self’ Hits Screens in Italy



TEHRAN (IFILM) -- The 2021 edition of the Corti In Cortile, Il Cinema in breve in Italy has screened Iranian short flick ‘Inner Self’.

Directed by Mohammad Hormozi, the 15-minute flick follows the story of a female violinist who wants to enter an office but as she is not attired appropriately for the place, she must stay in the waiting room.

While waiting, the young woman copes with her frustration by composing a new piece.

An unexpected ally is moved by her performance and provides a last-minute solution to the violinist’s predicament.

Set to participate in the Taos Shortz Film Fest in the US this March, the short flick won a special mention at the Akbank Short Film Festival in Turkey and the award for best narrative short title at the Fayetteville Film Fest in the U.S.

‘Inner Self’ has also gone on screen at a number of global events, including the Ojai Film Festival in the U.S., the International Short Film Festival – Film Front in Serbia, the Grand Off film festival in Poland, the Mediawave International Film Festival in Hungary, the Dhaka International Film Festival in Bangladesh, the Santa Fe Film Festival in the U.S., the Geneva International Oriental Film Festival in Switzerland, and the Washington DC International Film Festival in the U.S.

Cultural Association Visione Arte presents the Corti in Cortile which has recently turned into an International Short Film Festival.

The festival is held in Catania, Sicily, Italy, wants to be a showcase spot for national and international emerging independent productions.

The 2021 edition of the Corti In Cortile was held on September 15-19.

## Iranian Film Participates at U.S. Panamanian Event



TEHRAN (IFILM) -- The Panamanian International Film Festival in LA, U.S. has been set to screen Iranian short film ‘House of Fortune’.

Directed by Adel Mashouri, the short flick will be showcased at the competition section of the American event’s 8th edition.

‘House of Fortune’ is a minimal work with some unique lighting which has been performed by the actor using a lighter and a mobile phone.

The film that has been shot inside a small wooden box is the story of a young woman

named Rahil on her wedding night. The morning after, when she wakes up she finds herself inside a wooden box.

The short has already taken part in a number of global events, including the International Smyrna Movie Festival, where it grabbed the best director and best actor awards.

The Panamanian Int’l Film Festival aims to bring to light the emerging film industry in Panama.

This year’s edition of the fest is scheduled for October 7-10, 2021.

# Hundreds of Enteries Compete at Iran’s Children & Youth Festival

TEHRAN (Tasnim) – The 34th edition of the International Film Festival for Children and Youth will be held in Iran next month with around 600 films from 32 countries having entered the contest.

The secretariat of the International Film Festival for Children and Youth said it has received 556 films so far, including 438 Iranian and 118 foreign movies.

The foreign films include 32 animated and 30 feature-length movies from 32 countries as well as 56 short movies, including 21 short animated and 35 short feature films.

In the national section, some 440 films from Iranian moviemakers have been submitted to the secretariat of the festival, including 248 short, 119 short animated, 30 feature-length, and 14 feature films, 12 web series, and also 19 corona-narrations.

The 34th edition of the festival will



be held from October 8 to 13, 2021, in collaboration with the Iranian Cinema Organization, Farabi Cinematic Foundation, and Isfahan Municipality.

The movies will be screened in two cities, Tehran and Isfahan, both in an online format and in theaters in compliance with the health protocols.

## Toronto Multicultural Festival Hosts Iran’s ‘Odor’

TEHRAN (MNA) – The Iranian short film ‘Odor’ by Aryan Rezaei will be screened at the Toronto Multicultural Film Festival 2021.

In its third international presence, ‘Odor’ will take part in the 4th edition of the Toronto Multicultural Film Festival (MFF).

The Toronto Multicultural Film Festival is organized by the Toronto Film Forum



(TFF) from September 23 to 28, 2021 in Canada.

‘Odor’ has already been screened at the Noble International Film Festival in India and London Lift-Off Film Festival.

The script of the movie, starring Farzin Mohades, was inspired by the story of “Nightmare of Awakening” written by Iranian poet Qeyssar Aminpour.

## Scientists Develop New Method to Treat Pancreatic Cancer

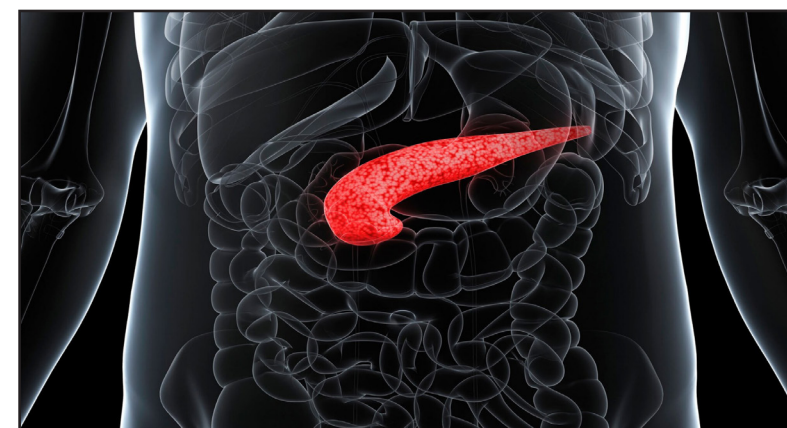
LONDON (Dispatches) -- Researchers have found a way to grow tiny replicas of the pancreas, using either healthy or cancerous pancreatic cells.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) engineers, in collaboration with scientists at Cancer Research UK Manchester Institute used a specialized gel that mimicked the extracellular environment surrounding the pancreas and were able to grow pancreatic “organoids which allowed them to study the important interactions between pancreatic tumors and their environment. Unlike some of the gels now used to grow tissue, the new MIT gel is completely synthetic, easy to assemble and can be produced with a consistent composition every time.

The researchers have also shown that their new gel can be used to grow other types of tissue, including intestinal and endometrial tissue.

The gel they developed is based on polyethylene glycol (PEG), a polymer that is often used for medical applications because it doesn’t interact with living cells. By studying the biochemical and biophysical

properties of the extracellular matrix, which surrounds organs in the body, the researchers were able to identify features they could incorporate into the PEG gel to help cells grow in it.



Pancreas in human body.

## Picture of the Day



Salam Hall is one of the halls of Golestan Museum Palace, which was built during the era of Nasser al-Din Shah Qajar in three years and is currently used as a museum. It is known as the largest hall of Golestan Palace Complex. Courtesy of IFILM