Social Drama 'Loser' **Competes at Lift-Off**

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TEHRAN (MNA) -Directed by Iranian filmmaker Masoud Tayyebi, the short film "Loser" is scheduled to be screened at the Lift-off film festival in the United Kingdom.

The short film narrates the story of a woman who killed her husband due to social and family pressures.

Atefeh Jalali, Sadegh Zarei, Kamran Haj Ali-Akbari, Tayyebi mayye among the short film's

London Lift-Off Film Festival started back in brilliant press coverage.

2010 with its first-ever call for entries. In London's first year, the festival received over 750 films from around the world and was instantly humbled by the quality and ambition of the work sent in. From a small cinema in North West London to the prestigious and beautiful screening rooms of Soho and West London -- London Lift-Off has entertained and stunned audiences with its continuous delivery of exceptional work, amazing networking vibe, and

Best Director Action Award Goes to 'Layers of Lies' in UK



TEHRAN (IFILM) --Iranian-Finnish feature 'Layers of Lies' has managed to grab an award in the London Director Awards in the United Kingdom.

The film brought its director Ramin Sohrab the Best Director Action award in the 2022/23 Winter Edition of the event.

It is the first Iranian-Finnish action film.

'Layers of Lies' is co-produced by Finland's

Sonram Productions and Farabi Cinema Foundation in Iran.

The film is about a fireman who saves a person in an incident.

It is "an adrenaline-fueled thrill ride through the bustling, diverse metropolis of Tehran," a synopsis for the film reads.

The cast members of 'Layers of Lies' include Ramid Sohrab, Nader Falahi, Majid Saeidi, Venus Kaneli, Arsalan Qasemi, and Jessica Wolff.

Gold Medal for Iran's Distinguished Photographer in Sri Lanka

TEHRAN (IRNA) - Iranian photographer won the gold medal of FIAP in the Lakdiva competition in Sri Lanka and received the EFI-AP (Distinguished Artist of FIAP) certificate.

Mirali Parandak was awarded the Best of Show of this international festival by winning the world gold medal for photography with 8 works and a medal in the tourism sec-

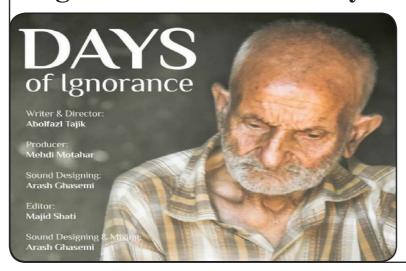
He had already beeen among the seven people chosen by Iran to obtain this degree from France in late 2022.

Winning five world gold medals from Germany, Romania, Sri Lanka, Luxembourg and two silver medals from Bulgaria and Russia, and several honorary diplomas and merit badges, FIAP Ribbon, and an Asian honorary diploma are among the honors of this Iranian photographer.



Iranian photographer Mir Ali Parandak won the Best nature Photo award at the Plovdiv Photo Festival in Bulgaria.

Big Success Documentary On Way to South African Event



TEHRAN (MNA) - Written and directed by Iranian filmmaker Abolfazl Tajik, the short documentary 'Days of Ignorance' is scheduled to take part in RapidLion - The South African International Film Festival.

'Days of Ignorance' will be screened in the documentary section of the RapidLion - The South African International Film Festival on

March 7, 2023.

In his 19-minute documentary, Abolfazl Tajik takes the audience to the lonely world of the 84-year-old Mohammad Ali who is the last survivor of rural felt-maker from Neyshabour city.

The documentary narrates his daily struggles to live and keep the felt-making occupa-

Glorious Once Again Isfahan's Zayandeh Rud

TEHRAN (IMNA) -Cutting Isfahan in two parts, the Zayanderud river is the beating heart of the city of turquoise domes.

Dotted with cozy cafes, gorgeous boulevards, and attractive neighborhoods, the river bank is a mustsee when visiting Isfahan.

The gentle waterway meanders through the city, passing beneath several magnificently designed bridges from the 17th century, the city's golden age when it was the capital of the Persian empire.

Since 2000, drought and taking water illegally have caused the river to dry up. Authorities occasionally release the floodgates of the upstream dam to water agricultural lands in eastern Isfahan, much to the delight of thousands who gather along

The rive has backed again and locals have flocked to the river to capture the

fleeting moments with their eyes and selfies. Families are now gathering to enjoy fresh air and sceneries on the riverbank; some strolling, while others pedaling swan-shaped boats that had been baked in the dust.





With the first snowfall, when the green of the Vargin of Lavasanat Mountains turns to white, a journey begins. Rams and ewes reach the mountainside in groups from the top of the peaks; in search of food, for survival. They descend slowly through the stones and rocks. As they get closer and closer to the city , humans arrive to help and give food.

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