

Joint Production Movie Hits Screens in Scotland



A still from Iranian-German movie 'The Locust'.

TEHRAN (IFILM) -- Iranian-German movie 'The Locust' has been selected to compete at the Edinburgh International Film Festival in Scotland.

Directed by Faezeh Azizkhani, the 79-minute movie will be screened at the Postcards from the Edge section of the gala.

Produced by Manijeh Hekmat and Mahshid Ahangarani-Farahani, the feature film narrates the story of a writer named Hanieh who loves cinema but is not successful in her career.

She writes a screenplay based on her own life and sells it to her close friend, Pegah, after abandoning the hope of directing her semi-autobiographical screenplay. Pegah keeps Hanieh around to

advise in script meetings and cast rehearsals.

When the screenplay is ready to be read and practiced, the new director and the crew start to criticize and judge the main character of the screenplay but Hanieh can't take it.

The cast list includes Hanieh Tavassoli, Pegah Ahangarani Farahani, Ali Mosaffa, Pedram Sharifi, Ramin Sediqi, Amaneh Aqarezakashi, Ahmad Azizkhani, Majid Azizkhani, and Dorna Madani.

'The Locust' was internationally premiered at the South By Southwest film festival in the US.

Celebrating its 75th anniversary, the Edinburgh International Film Festival will take place in Scotland on August 12-20.

Iran Honors Late Celebrated Poet Ebtehaj

TEHRAN (IFP) -- A memorial service has been held for renowned contemporary Iranian poet Amir Hushang Ebtehaj at the Iranian House of Artists in the capital, Tehran, bringing together a host of his fans a few days into his death. Also known under the nom de plume of Sayeh, shadow, Ebtehaj was a member of several literary circles and contributed to various literary magazines.

He published his first collection of poetry while he was still a high school student in the 1940s.

He also wrote a collection of lyrical poems known as Gazal in the classical style.

Sayeh's poetry, at times highly emotional, is always remarkable for its convincing directness and unconcealed sentiment.

A number of his lyric poems, ballads and poems have been performed by famous Iranian singers.

Sayeh died of kidney failure in Cologne on 10 August 2022 at the age of 94.



Applauded 'Winner' Takes Part at Spain's Imagineindia

TEHRAN (IFILM) -- Iranian short flick 'A Winner' has been slated to take part in the Imagineindia International Film Festival (iiiff) in Spain.

Directed by Mehdi Mahae, 'A Winner' will be in competition at the 21st edition of the Spanish film event.

This film is about a female filmmaker who is on the verge of divorce, but she realizes something that puts her at a crossroads.

Babak Ansari, Mehrmouh Sattari, Isa Hosseini and Fatemeh Zahra Hosseini are the cast members of the flick.

'A Winner' has already been



A still from Iranian short flick 'A Winner'.

screened at a number of global events, including the Islantilla Cineforum Film Festival in Spain, the Riverside International Film Festival in the U.S., and the Ischia Film Festival in Italy.

The First Screen Film Distributing Company is in charge of international screenings of 'A Winner'.

The iiiff is mainly devoted to promote cooperation between the Indian Subcontinent, the rest of Asia, and Spain along with the European Union, according to website of the festival.

The 21st edition of event is set for September 23-October 09, 2022.

Persian Readers Enjoy Translation of 'The Bolshevik Revolution'



TEHRAN (IBNA) -- Young adult non-fiction book 'The Bolshevik Revolution' (2013) by the American author Sylvia Engdahl which offers a pathology of one of the most influential historical events of the 20th century has been published in Persian.

This work which is from the series of Perspectives on Modern World History of Greenhaven Press has been translated into Persian by Shahrbanou Saremi. Qoqnoos Publishing in Tehran has released 'The Bolshevik Revolution' in 167 pages.

This book explores the events of the Bolshevik Revolution, issues surrounding Bolshevik support or oppression of the working class, and the impact of Bolshevism on Russia and the world. Personal narratives from people who experienced the revolution are included.

Narratives include the words of none-other-than Nikolai

Podvoisky, a key leader of the Bolshevik revolutionaries, where he describes their takeover of the Winter Palace. In another compelling personal essay, an American-born Russian princess describes her escape from Bolshevik violence.

This series provides multiple views of momentous events in recent history; each book helps readers develop critical thinking skills, increase global awareness, and enhance their understanding of international perspectives about historic events.

Sylvia Louise Engdahl is known best for science fiction. Her debut novel 'Enchantress from the Stars', published by Atheneum Books in 1970, was the 1971 Newbery Honor Book, was a Geffen Award finalist in 2008, Best Translated YA Book, and she won the Phoenix Award for that work twenty years later.

Scientists Restore Sight Through Bioengineered Cornea

STOCKHOLM (Dispatches) -- An implant made of collagen protein from pig's skin, which resembles the human cornea has been developed, researchers report.

Mehrdad Rafat, the researcher and entrepreneur behind the design and development of the implants says that the Safety and effectiveness of the bioengineered implants have been the core of our work. He adds that they have made significant efforts to ensure that our invention will be widely available and affordable by all and not just by the wealthy. That's why this technology can be used in all parts of the world. He is an adjunct associate professor (senior lecturer) at LiU's Department of Biomedical Engineering and founder and CEO of the company LinkoCare Life Sciences AB, which manufactures the bioengineered corneas used in the study.

Researchers from Linköping University and LinkoCare Life Sciences AB used collagen molecules derived from pig skin that were highly purified and produced under strict conditions for human use. The pig skin used is a byproduct of the food industry, making it easy to access and economically advantageous. In the process of constructing the implant, the researchers stabilized the loose collagen molecules forming a robust and

transparent material that could withstand handling and implantation in the eye. While donated corneas must be used within two weeks, the bioengineered corneas can be stored for up to two years before use.

Furthermore, the researchers have developed a new, minimally invasive method for treating the disease keratoconus, in which the cornea becomes so thin that it can lead to blindness.



Picture of the Day



Qasreqand is one of the beautiful and scenic areas of Sistan and Baluchestan Province, which provides a unique perspective to tourists. The residents of Qasreqand wear traditional clothing depicting authentic Iranian culture. The presence of hundreds of historical and natural places, rivers, aqueducts, palm trees, and rice fields has made Qasreqand an important tourist destination in Sistan and Baluchestan Province.

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