

Albania Hosts Iran's 'Falling Up'



TEHRAN (MNA) – Iranian short film 'Falling up' will take part in the competition section of the Tirana International Film Festival of Albania.

Jointly produced by Maryam Bakhtiari and the Iranian Youth Cinema Society, the Iranian short film 'Falling up' will be screened at the Tirana International Film Festival of Albania.

Tirana International Film Festival is the first interna-

tional film festival and the only of its kind in Albania.

Since its inception, TIFFF receives over 40,000 short and feature films from over 120 countries around the world. Out of all these applications more than 200 films can be chosen each year for the competition and the special program.

Tirana International Film Festival is scheduled to be held on September 24-30 in Tirana, Albania.

Joint Production 'The Locust' Hits Screens in Croatia



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

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

Directed by Faezeh Azizkhani, the 79-minute movie will be screened at the official competition section of the Croatian 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 prac-

ticed, 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' went on screen at the Edinburgh International Film Festival in Scotland.

At the Split Film Festival, the international competition of feature and short films is the backbone of the program, which is open to all new, creative, personal, experimental, radical, and subversive works of all lengths and genres.

The 2022 edition of the event will take place in Split, the second-largest city in Croatia, on September 1-9.

Archeologists Dig Up 6000-Year-Old House in Kashan

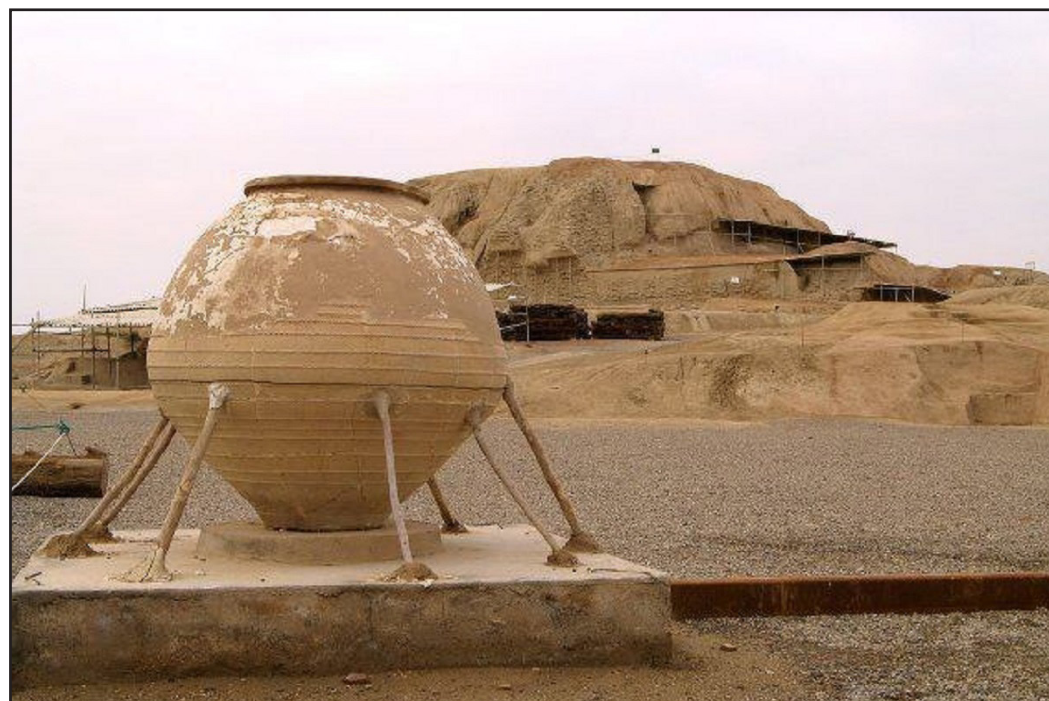
TEHRAN (IFP) -- The director of Iran's National Museum says excavations at the Sialk Archeological Hills in the central city of Kashan have unearthed the remains of a house dating back to the 4th millennium B.C.

Jebra'el Nokandeh said on Friday in the coming days, archeologists will go into the deeper layers of the hills that date back up to 6 thousand years.

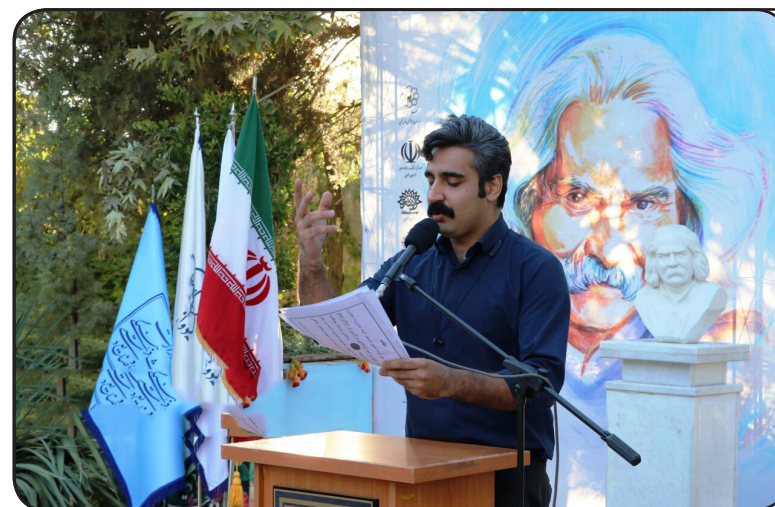
Sialk is located in a suburb of the Iranian city of Kashan in central Iran.

The archeological site, and the entire area around it, is thought to have originated as a result of the pristine large water sources nearby that still run today.

The Cheshmeh Soleiman ("Solomon's Spring") has been bringing water to this area from nearby mountains for thou-



sands of years. Archeologists say the abundant water resources created a civilization in the area.



Iranians Remember Poet Mehdi Akhavan-Sales

TEHRAN (MNA) -- The commemoration day of prominent Iranian poet Mehdi Akhavan-Sales was held on Friday at his tomb in Tus, Razavi Khorasan Province.

Akhavan-Sales (March 1, 1929, in Mashhad, Iran

– August 26, 1990, in Tehran, Iran) was one of the pioneers of Free Verse (New Style Poetry) in the Persian language.

He is buried on the grounds of the mausoleum of Ferdowsi in Tus.

'World War III' Premiered at Venice Event

TEHRAN (IFILM) -- Iran's 'World War III' has been selected to go on screen at the 79th edition of the Venice International Film Festival in Italy.

Directed by Houman Seyyedi, the movie will compete at the Orizzonti section of the Italian gala.

'World War III', written by the director, Arian Vazir-Daftari, and Azad Jafarian, follows Shakib, an ordinary day laborer who finds himself a job behind the scenes of a movie set.

The film is meant to be in condemnation of dictatorships, but the filmmakers themselves turn into dictators who would do anything to achieve their goals and they inadvertently turn Shakib into a terrifying monster.

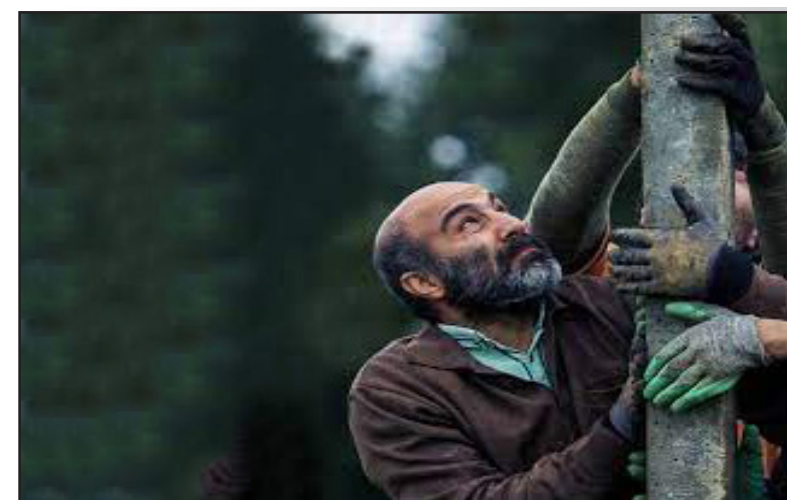
The cast list of the movie includes Mohsen Tanabandeh, Neda Jabraeeli, Mahsa Hejazi, and Navid Nosrati.

Iranian actress Leila Hatami, best known for her role in the Oscar-winning drama "A Separation", is a member of the jury of this year's gala in Venice.

The Oscar-winning actress Julianne Moore is the president of the Venice fest jury, which also consists of Argentinian director and screenwriter Mariano Cohn, Italian director and screenwriter Leonardo Di Costanzo,

French director Audrey Diwan, Japanese-English screenwriter Kazuo Ishiguro and Spanish director and screenwriter Rodrigo Sorogoyen.

The 79th edition of the Venice International Film Festival will take place on August 31-September 10.



Picture of the Day



Iranians commemorate Mohammad ibn Zakariya Razi, one of the great mathematicians, philosophers, alchemists and physicians, on August 27 each year which is observed as the Day of Pharmacy. Al-Razi, known as "Rhazes" in the West, was a physician, philosopher, and scholar who made fundamental contributions to many scientific fields, especially medicine, pioneering in the fields of pediatrics, obstetrics, and ophthalmology.

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