

4 TFF filmmakers in Script&Pitch 2014 selection,

and more good news from TorinoFilmLab...

2014 had an amazing beginning for TorinoFilmLab: debut feature VIKTORIA by Maya Vitkova (Bulgaria), developed at Script&Pitch in 2005, premiered in the World Dramatic Competition at Sundance Film Festival, and will also compete for the Tiger Awards in Rotterdam as well as for The Ingmar Bergman International Debut Award in Göteborg; TorinoFilmLab Alumnae Kirsikka Saari (Script&Pitch 2007) and Sara Ishaq (Interchange 2013) are nominated for the Oscars, respectively in the Short Film (Live Action) and Documentary Short Subject categories. And HISTORIA DEL MIEDO by Franco-Argentinian Benjamin Naishtat, developed at Script&Pitch 2010 and FrameWork 2011, will be in Competition at Berlinale: an extraordinary result, even more so because it is a 28-year-old director's first feature film!

Among all these great news, TorinoFilmLab is also pleased to announce the selection for Script&Pitch 2014.

This 9th edition of the script development programme will include 12 feature film projects by 15 writers/directors. The participants, representing 13 countries, will take part in the 9-month hands-on training course, working on their scripts throughout 3 week-long workshops and 2 on-line sessions under the guidance of our international tutors and trainers. The conclusive moment of the programme will be a final public pitch at the 7th TorinoFilmLab Meeting Event (November 24-26, 2014) during the 32nd Torino Film Festival.

Among others, the line-up includes four filmmakers with works selected in the Torino Film Festival in the past. György Pálfi (Hungary) won the Scuola Holden Prize for Best Script in 2002 with his first feature HUKKLE, and returned with his experimental feature FINAL CUT: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN in 2012. Fien Troch (Belgium) was in competition at Torino Film Festival in 2008 with her feature UNSPOKEN, whose actress Emmanuelle Devos won the Best Actress Award. Italian director Pietro Marcello scored the Top Prize as well as the Fipresci Prize in 2009 with his docu-fiction hybrid LA BOCCA DEL LUPO. And Finnish helmer Juho Kuosmanen's THE PAINTING SELLERS, which won the 1st Prize at the Cannes Cinéfondation 2010, was selected at TFF in the same year.

Cannes Critics' Week 2013 Best Short winner **Daria Belova** and **Peter Krüger**, recently selected at Berlinale Forum 2014 with his feature N – THE MADNESS OF REASON are also among the script programme 2014 participants.

This year's selection offers an extraordinary mix of young talents and more experienced filmmakers. Discover the full list here.