The 33rd European Film Awards
8 – 12 December 2020

It is with great pleasure that the European Film Academy welcomes you to the virtual European Film Awards. The EFA Press Team is committed to providing the best service possible. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries.

We kindly ask you to submit a copy of your coverage to the EFA Secretariat and / or to the EFA Press Attaché in your country by 17 January 2021.

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EFAS AT EIGHT — THE VIRTUAL EUROPEAN FILM AWARDS

As a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic the 33rd European Film Awards will take place as a series of virtual events produced from the European Film Academy’s seat Berlin without an audience in the room. Every evening will see a livestream of The EFAs at Eight celebrating the nominees and winners of the various categories of the 2020 European Film Awards.

EFA Chairman Mike Downey: „the times we live in call for innovation and extra creativity. In this unusual year, this will be an unusual, and we hope an exceptional, awards ceremony – one with a different approach, that will allow us to give more attention to the various awards presented. Necessity being the mother of invention, we have chosen to try out this different format, and will use it to see how we will further develop the EFAs in the years to come.”

SCHEDULE

Livestream available on europeanfilmawards.eu or in the Official EFA App app.europeanfilmawards.eu

TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER, 20.00 CET

The EFAs at Eight: From Survival to Revival: Building the Post-Covid Future
with British director Mark Cousins, recipient of the new EFA Award for Innovative Storytelling for his ground-breaking documentary WOMEN MAKE FILM: A NEW ROAD MOVIE THROUGH CINEMA;
Polish director and former EFA Chairwoman Agnieszka Holland; Kirsten Niehuus, Managing Director of the Film Funding Department of the Medienboard Berlin-Brandenburg; and Danish director Thomas Vinterberg, nominated with his film ANOTHER ROUND.
moderated by UK-based Wendy Mitchell, editor of EFA Close-Up, contributing editor at Screen International and a consultant for the San Sebastian, Rotterdam and Zurich film festivals.

WEDNESDAY, 9 DECEMBER – SATURDAY, 12 DECEMBER, 10.00 – 18.00 CET

Press Interviews (via ZOOM) with nominees and winners of the 33rd European Film Awards

WEDNESDAY, 9 DECEMBER, 20.00 CET

The EFAs at Eight: The EFA Excellence Awards
Presenting the winners in the categories European Cinematography, Editing, Production Design, Costume Design, Make-up & Hair, Original Score, Sound and Visual Effects
moderated by Wim Wenders and Marion Döring

THURSDAY, 10 DECEMBER, 20.00 CET

The EFAs at Eight: EURIMAGES, Short Film & EUFA
Presenting the winners in the categories EURIMAGES Co-Production Award, European Short Film and European University Film Award (EUFA)
moderated by Mike Goodridge

FRIDAY, 11 DECEMBER, 20.00 CET

The EFAs at Eight: Comedy & Animation
Presenting the winners in the categories European Comedy and European Animated Feature Film
moderated by Mike Goodridge
SATURDAY, 12 DEC, 20.00 CET

The EFAs 2020 Grand Finale from the Futurium in Berlin
Presenting the EFA Award for Innovative Storytelling, as well as the Awards for European Documentary, European Discovery, European Actress, European Actor, European Screenwriter, European Director and European Film.
Announcing – for the first time – the nominations for the LUX European Audience Film Award by the European Parliament and the European Film Academy and in partnership with the European Commission and Europa Cinemas
hosted by Marion Döring, Mike Downey, Agnieszka Holland and Wim Wenders
moderated by German TV host and film buff Steven Gätjen

PRESENTERS
Presenting the awards will be a great group of Berlin-based European actresses and actors, among them Emily Atef, Louis Hofmann, Vicky Krieps, Annabelle Mandeng, Kida Khodr Ramadan, Tyron Ricketts and Maryam Zaree.
With the special participation of Icelandic actress Halldóra Geirharðsdóttir.

PRODUCTION
For many years now, the annual award ceremony is produced by the managing director of EFA Productions, Jürgen Biesinger (executive producer), and EFA Director Marion Döring (producer).

MUSIC
Apart from decade-long, relentless creative activity with one of Iceland’s most acclaimed acts Múm, Gunnar Örn Tynes has worked as musician and producer on high profile movie and TV productions such as JOKER, CHERNOBYL, MARY MAGDALENE, THE HATE U GIVE and the Icelandic TV series TRAPPED.
Viktor Orri Árnason is one of Iceland’s most profiled instrumentalists and composers, having conducted and created arrangements for Jóhann Jóhannsson, Hildur Guðnadóttir, Dustin O’Halloran and Nils Frahm amongst many others. He is also the violin and viola voice behind renowned string library manufacturer Spitfire’s Evolutions editions.
This year, both team up with composer Kriton Klingler-loannides to commit their talent to creating the music for the online EFA 2020 Award Ceremony.
As a special music act from Harpa Concert Hall, Reykjavik: Gyða Valtýsdóttir and Kjartan Sveinsson will perform their song “Liquidity”.

DESIGN
The official #efa2020 design was created by German art directors Bode Brodmüller and Christin Franke. The two overlapping spheres stand for two connecting elements, past and future; but also communication in these abstract times of Covid-19 and all those contacts that we miss.

PRESS MATERIAL

TEXT FILES
Press releases are available on europeanfilmacademy.org under Press/Press Releases

The press releases announcing the 2020 winners will not be distributed before the end of each award ceremony, at approximately 20.30 resp. 21.00 on Saturday.

Content on the EFA Selections & Nominations 2020 is available on europeanfilmawards.eu
PHOTO COVERAGE

Free photo material of all EFAs at Eight and the Grand Finale will be available shortly after the respective event from the EFA Website [europeanfilmacademy.org](http://europeanfilmacademy.org) under Press/Pictures.

Photo coverage of the EFAs 2020 Grand Finale on Saturday will also be (free of charge) on [https://publicity.gettyimages.com/event/european-film-awards-2020](https://publicity.gettyimages.com/event/european-film-awards-2020)

Film stills can be downloaded free of charge from the same page on the EFA Website. Free images of the moderators, presenters and hosts can be downloaded from the same page.

Free images from past European Film Awards ceremonies can be retrieved from the Text & Image Archive on [europeanfilmacademy.org](http://europeanfilmacademy.org) under Archive/Text & Image Archive.

RADIO COVERAGE / AUDIO FILES

Audio clips from the event will be made available free of charge on [audio.ebu.ch](http://audio.ebu.ch).

Login: If you do not have a Single Sign On (SSO) account with EBU yet, please create first a login at [sso.ebu.ch](http://sso.ebu.ch). SSO also allows access to all other EBU member services. If you already have an EBU SSO, this login will also work on audio.ebu.ch.

In addition, please request access to the EFA 2020 clips page by email to lonicer@ebu.ch after you have created your SSO.

TV COVERAGE / TV HIGHLIGHTS

Free access to all broadcasters. The material is free of rights and free of charge world-wide.

The EFAs at Eight (in full length) and the EFAs 2020 Grand Finale (highlights) will be available from the EUROVISION newsdirect platform [newsdirect.ebu.ch](http://newsdirect.ebu.ch). Please sign in or create an account in advance if you do not already have one.

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An EFA Trailer (impressions) can be downloaded from the following link: https://wetransfer.com/downloads/528f6e5251786e1363dd1b0e7a7b509920201207173608/db001d
CEREMONY TRANSMISSION

The 33rd European Film Awards will be streamed live on europeanfilmawards.eu and transmitted live by more than 37 stations and platforms across Europe (see complete list at europeanfilmacademy.org under European Film Awards/Broadcast Information).

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Websites: europeanfilmacademy.org, europeanfilmawards.eu

The EFA Official App:
  • Google Play (Android):
  • App Store (iOS):

Facebook: facebook.com/europeanfilmawards
  • Photos, clips and impressions during the awards weekend
  • Live video from the red carpet and real-time (almost) speeches from the ceremony

Twitter: twitter.com/EuroFilmAwards
  • Photos, clips and impressions during the awards weekend
  • Real-time announcement of the winners with visuals and GIFs

Instagram: instagram.com/europofilmawards
  • Behind the scenes photos and videos
  • Portraits of the winners

YouTube: youtube.com/c/EuropeanFilmAwards
  • Speeches and interviev