

The Czech Lion film awards will celebrate their 30th birthday with a record number of films

The Czech Lion film awards of the Czech Film and Television Academy (CFTA) will be handed over to the film makers for the thirtieth time next year. This will happen on Saturday 4th March 2023 in Dvořák's Hall of Rudolfinum in Prague and the ceremony will be broadcast live by the Czech Television. The academics will start voting about the films as of today. The nominations will be announced on 16th January 2023 and it will also be broadcast live by the Czech Television.

The ceremonial gala evening will be hosted again by the director, actor and presenter Jiří Havelka. He will be supported by the experienced creative team led by the director Michael Čech, screenwriter Petr Kolečko and scenographer Jaroslav Holota. The authors of the visual style of the Czech Lion this year will be the graphic artists Jana Krchová and Ondřej Fučík.

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"The Czech Lion awards will celebrate their jubilee 30th anniversary with a record number of films. This year the academics are evaluating altogether 129 movies and television works of art that were premiered this year and they will vote about awarding Czech Lions in 21 statutory categories," mentions the managing director of CFTA Tereza Rychnovská. More than 350 respected film professionals will be evaluating 47 feature actors' films within the 30th annual Czech Lion awards. Out of the 32 documentary features the preselection committee consisting of the members of the academy shortlisted 15 of them and the academics are about to vote about them in the first round. The academics will be also assessing 16 television works of art that had been released either on TV or on the Internet. In March the Czech Lion statuette will also go to one of the nine animated films. The 10 preselected short films that had been chosen by the committee consisting of the academics from the 25 enrolled films will be fighting for the statuette as well. The presidium of the CFTA consisting of fifteen members awards every year the unique contribution to Czech film and can also appreciate an exceptional feat in the area of audio-visual arts.

It would not be possible to realize the Czech Lions without the support of the stable partners. The mineral water Magnesia produced by the Mattoni 1873 Company has been the general partner for a long time. The main partner is innogy, which belongs to the main patrons of the local cinematography. The main media partner is the Czech Television. The glassworks Rückl, where the statuettes of Czech Lions get produced, also belongs to the family of partners.

OVERVIEW OF THE STATUTORY CATEGORIES OF THE ANNUAL CZECH LION AWARDS

- 1) best feature actors' film
- 2) best director
- 3) best screenplay
- 4) best cinematography
- 5) best music
- 6) best film editing
- 7) best sound
- 8) best stage design
- 9) best costume design
- 10) best makeup and hairstyling
- 11) best actress in a leading role
- 12) best actor in a leading role
- 13) best actress in a supporting role
- 14) best actor in a supporting role
- 15) best documentary feature
- 16) best television film or miniseries
- 17) best television drama series
- 18) best animated film
- 19) best short film
- 20) unique contribution to Czech film
- 21) exceptional feat in the area of audio-visual arts

30th CZECH LION – ASSESSED FEATURE ACTORS' FILMS

A pak přišla láska... (And Then There Was Love)
Andílci za školou (Angels Skipping the School)
Arvéd (Arved)
Bandité pro Baladu (Bandits for a Ballad)
BANGER. (BANGER.)
Betlémské světlo (Bethlehem Light)
Běžná selhání (Ordinary Failures)
Buko (Buko)
Cirkus Maximum (Circus Maximum)
Grand Prix (Grand Prix)
Hádkovi (The Family Quarrel)
Hranice lásky (Borders of Love)
Idiot (The Idiot)

Il Boemo (Il Boemo)
Indián (The Head of the Tribe)
Jan Žižka (Medieval)
Kdyby radši hořelo (Somewhere over the Chemtrails)
Když prší slzy (Falling Tears)
Láska hory přenáší (Avalanche of Love)
Mimořádná událost (Emergency Situation)
Největší dar (The Greatest Gift)
Oběť (Victim)
Pánský klub (Gentlemen's Club)
Párty Hárder: Summer Massacre (Party Harder: Summer Massacre)
Po čem muži touží 2 (What Men Desire 2)
Poslední závod (The Last Race)
Prezidentka (Madam President)
Princ Mamánek (Prince Mama's Boy)
Princezna zakletá v čase 2 (Princess Cursed in Time 2)
Promlčeno (Nightline)
Řekni to psem (Dogs, Lovers and Other Troubles)
Slovo (Word)
Spolu (Together)
Srdce na dlani (Heart to Heart)
Stínohra (Shadowplay)
Střídavka (Joint Custody)
Světlonoc (Nightsiren)
Tajemství staré bambitky 2 (The Old Blunderbuss Mystery 2)
Tři tygři ve filmu: Jackpot (Jackpot)
Vánoční příběh (A Christmas Story)
Velká premiéra (Big Opening)
Vyšehrad: Fyln (Lavi)
Za vším hledej ženu (Female Factor)
Zakletá jeskyně (The Enchanted Cave)
Známí Neznámí (Perfect Strangers)
Zpráva o záchraně mrtvého (Saving One Who Was Dead)
Ženy a život (Women and Life)

30th CZECH LION – PRESELECTION OF DOCUMENTARY FEATURES

8. den války (8th Day of the War)
Adam Ondra: Posunout hranice (Adam Ondra: Pushing the Limits)
Bratrství (Brotherhood)
Civilizace – Dobrá zpráva o konci světa (Civilisation – Good News about the End of the World)
Good Old Czechs (Good Old Czechs)
KaprKód (KAPR CODE)
Kunstkamera (Kunstkamera)
Michael Kocáb – rocker versus politik (Michael Kocáb – Rocker vs. Politician)
Naděje až do konce (Keeping the Faith)
Planeta Praha (Wild Prague)
PSH Nekonečný příběh (PSH Neverending Story)
Síla (Out In Force)
Ti, kteří tancují ve tmě (Those Who Dance in the Dark)

Toyen, baronka surrealismu (Toyen, The Baroness of Surrealism)
Zkouška umění (Art Talent Show)

30th CZECH LION – ENROLLED ANIMATED FILMS

Carp Xmass (Carp Xmass)
Máma má vždycky pravdu (Mum Is Always Right)
Misophonia Orchestra (Misophonia Orchestra)
Odpust' (Don't Blow It Up)
Půlnoční hlídka (Middle Watch)
Tlačenka: Zabili jsme Ježíše, ať žije Klaus (Tlacenka: We Killed Jesus, Long Live Klaus)
Tmání (Darkening)
Wunderbaum: Václav (Wunderbaum: Václav)
Zuza v zahradách (Suzie in the Garden)

30th CZECH LION – PRESELECTION OF SHORT FILMS

Bábovka (Sand Pie)
Barcarole (Barcarole)
Casting (Casting)
Con spiro (Con spiro)
Dřevo na příští zimu (Wood for Next Winter)
Láska, od 9 do 5 (Love, 9 to 5)
Ostrov svobody (Island of Freedom)
Rituály (Rites)
Vinland (Vinland)
Zkouším si vzpomenout (I Am Trying to Remember)

30th CZECH LION – ENROLLED TELEVISION WORKS OF ART

Devadesátky (The Nineties)
Duch (Ghost)
Gumy (Knuckleheads)
Guru (Guru)
Hořký svět (Bitter World)
Chlap (DOC)
Iveta (Iveta)
Jitřní záře (Morning Glow)
Král Šumavy: Fantom temného kraje (King of Sumava: Phantom of the Dark Land)
Marie Terezie – pátý díl (Marie Terezie – Episode 5)
Pět let (Five Years)
Podezření (Suspicion)
Pozadí událostí (Behind the Curtain)
Případy mimořádné Marty (The Cases of Extraordinary Marta)
Stíny v mlze (Shadows in the Mist)
TBH (TBH)

Czech Lion

The Czech Lion is a prestigious Czech film award that has been presented since 1993. Films are evaluated based on the voting of the members of the Czech Film and Television Academy. The ceremonial announcement of the results will take place on Saturday 4th March 2023 in Dvořák's Hall of Prague's Rudolfinum and it will be broadcast live by Czech Television on CT1 at 20:10.

About the Czech Film and Television Academy:

The Czech Film and Television Academy was founded in 1995 and in 2013 it was transformed into a registered association. Its main aim is to support and promote Czech cinematographic art in the Czech Republic as well as abroad and create conditions for the development of Czech film. The academy presents the most prestigious Czech film award – the Czech Lion and nominates the Czech candidate for the awards of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. At the moment the CFTA consists of 372 members.

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