

The nominees of the Trickstar Professional Awards at the 29th Stuttgart International Festival of Animated Film (ITFS)

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The programme of the **29th Stuttgart International Festival of Animated Film (ITFS**), which will take place on-site in Stuttgart and online from **May 3 to 8, 2022**, was presented to the press representatives at today's programme presentation. Highlights include the **world premiere** of "Lille Allan – Den menneskelige antenne" (Amalie Næsby Fick, Denmark, 2022), the presentation of the multiple Oscar nominated AnimaDok "Flee" (Jonas Poher Rasmussen, et al. Denmark, Norway, 2021), the presentation of the project "The House" (produced by Nexus Studios for Netflix) and the moderated online talk between Oscar winners Allison Snowden, David Fine and Nick Park as well as the animation theatre piece "Animeo & Humania" by the Aarauer Theater Marie with ITFS trailer maker François Chalet and the comprehensive country focus on Austria.

Prof. Ulrich Wegenast, Artistic Managing Director ITFS:

"We are happy that we have a record number of submissions this year, with over 2,000 films. The ITFS is meeting with great acceptance worldwide and is reaching new target groups, e. g. from the education sector, through activities such as "Edutain Me"."

Dieter Krauß, Commercial Managing Director ITFS:

"We are very pleased that this year we will finally take place again on site in Stuttgart, and that the audience as well as the national and international industry representatives will again be able to meet and exchange ideas in person."

At the **Trickstar Professional Awards**, the ITFS will present the **Trickstar Business Award**, the **German Animation Screenplay Award** and the **Animated Games Award Germany**. The awards will be presented at the Trickstar Professional Awards Gala on Wednesday, May 4, 6:30 p.m. at the L-Bank Rotunde in Stuttgart. The gala will be held in English and will also be live-streamed on Onlinefestival.ITFS.de in the ONLINE+ section. The evening with numerous studio guests will be moderated by Anja Lange.

<u>Trickstar Business Award</u> is the name of the prize that honours companies and projects in the field of animation that have an innovative and groundbreaking business model. The prize money of €7,500 is sponsored by **the Verband Region Stuttgart**. The Trickstar Business Award is the world's first animation prize with an explicit business focus.

The nominees of the Trickstar Business Award 2022:

ArtMinute

Die Asta Experience & Zentropa Productions (Hvidovre, Denmark): interactive animated series and short film formats for museums

Colored (Noire)

Novaya (Paris, France): immersive installation with augmented reality

Yullbe GO

Mack NeXT GmbH & Co KG (Rust, Germany): virtual reality experience

The VR experience Yullbe Go can be tried out on site at the ITFS from April 30 to May 7, daily from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except Sunday, May 1) at the Breuninger store in Stuttgart.

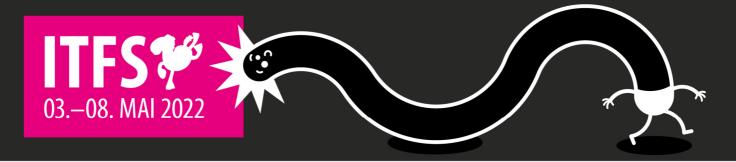
The nominated projects of the Trickstar Business Award will be presented on Friday afternoon, May 7, in the ONLINE PRO section at Onlinefestival.ITFS.de.







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The <u>German Animation Screenplay Award</u> honours the best German screenplay for an animated feature film. The prize money of € 2,500 is sponsored by **Animation Media Cluster Region Stuttgart (AMCRS)**. The award for the German screenplay with the biggest international market potential with a cash prize of € 1,500 is sponsored by **Pink Parrot Media, Montreal/Madrid**.

The nominees of the German Animation Screenplay Award 2022:

BIRD of the YEAR

screenplay: Wolfgang Lauenstein, Christoph Lauenstein

Dino Mite / Minus Drei und die verlorene Stadt

screenplay: Armin Prediger, Andreas Völlinger, production: Holger Weiss and Dominique Schuchmann, M.A.R.K.13 – COM, Björn Magsig and Sandra Schießl, TRIKK 17

Little Miss Santa

screenplay: Jasmina Kallay, production: Lilian Klages, Dreamin Dolphin Film GmbH

Mr. Wiggles

screenplay: André Heeger

The (mostly) marvelous MURRAY

screenplay: Christian Kaps

The <u>Animated Games Award Germany 2022</u> is awarded to the best and most innovative animation-based computer game from Germany and comes with prize money of €5,000, sponsored by **MFG Medien- und Filmgesellschaft Baden-Württemberg**.

The nominees of the Animated Games Award Germany 2022:

A Juggler's Tale

developer: kaleidoscube GmbH, publisher: Mixtvision Mediengesellschaft mbH

Minute of Islands

developer: Studio Fizbin GmbH, publisher: Mixtvision Mediengesellschaft mbH

Dorfromantik

developer: Toukana Interactive

OMNO

developer: Studio Inkyfox UG, publisher: Studio Inkyfox UG

Lacuna

developer: DigiTales Interactive, publisher: Assemble Entertainment GmbH

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Tickets for the ITFS are available at www.itfs.de/en/tickets/.

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Images and film stills can be found at: https://www.itfs.de/en/press-pr/downloads/.







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About the ITFS: The Stuttgart International Festival of Animated Film (ITFS) was founded in 1982 and is one of the world's biggest and most important festivals for animated films. In several categories of competitions more than Euro 65,000 prize money will be awarded. The FMX – Film and Media Exchange, Europe's largest professional conference for animation, effects, games and immersive media takes place parallel to the ITFS. Together, ITFS and FMX organise the business platform Animation Production Days, the only coproduction and financing market in Germany specialized in animation projects. More at https://www.itfs.de/en/





