

## Feature Films at the ITFS 2024

Films over 60 minutes in our competition AniMovie or in the Special Programme section.

AniMovie adults

### **LONELY CASTLE IN THE MIRROR (Keiichi Hara, Japan 2022)**

**Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 5:30 pm | Gloria 1**

Seven teens discover their bedroom mirrors are portals, and they're pulled from their lonely lives to a wondrous castle filled with winding stairways and watchful portraits. A girl in a wolf mask invites them to play a game.

**Note: Also suitable for teenagers!**

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43IEvEQSHYE>

### **WHITE PLASTIC SKY (Sarolta Szabó, Tibor Bánóczki, Hungary, Slovakia 2021)**

**Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 pm | Gloria 2**

In a not too distant future without animals and plants where the price of human survival is high, a young man breaks every rule to save his wife.

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5XeXNFNHQA>

**German premiere:**

### **KENSUKE'S KINGDOM (Kirk Hendry, Neil Boyle, UK 2023)**

**Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 pm | Gloria 2**

A young boy, shipwrecked on a remote island, discovers he is not alone when he encounters a mysterious Japanese man who has lived there since the end of World War II. As dangerous invaders appear on the horizon, it becomes clear they must join forces to save their fragile paradise.

Trailer (French): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jWIGeflmALE>

Animovie Kids:

**SIROCCO AND THE KINGDOM OF WINDS (Benoit Chieux. France, Belgium 2022)**

**Thursday, 25th April, 3 pm | Gloria 1**

Two sisters discover a passage between their world and this extraordinary universe of their favourite book. Once there, the two girls take the appearance of cats, and discover the existence of Sirocco, this terrifying character able to control the wind.

Trailer (French): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xF0g4CXShsc>

**World Premiere:**

**PANDA BEAR IN AFRICA (Karsten Killerich, Richard Claus, The Netherlands 2023)**

**Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 3 pm | Gloria 1**

A young adventurous Panda travels from China to Africa to rescue his best friend, Jielong the Dragon who has been kidnapped. On his journey he discovers a strange amazing new world of mountains, deserts and jungles.

**German premiere:**

**PUFFIN ROCK AND THE NEW FRIENDS (Jeremy Purcell, UK, Ireland 2023)**

**Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 10 am | Cinema**

When the last Little Egg of the season disappears under mysterious circumstances, Oona and her new friends race against time to bring the Little Egg home before a big storm hits Puffin Rock and puts the entire island in danger.

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=niiJ6kRxt6I>

## AniMovie Special – Feature Films Out of Competition

### **World premiere:**

**ELLI AND HER MONSTER TEAM (Jens Møller, Jesper Møller, Piet de Rycker, Canada, Germany, Spain 2024)**

**Saturday 27th April, 3 pm | Gloria 1**

When a homeless little ghost knocks on the door to the eccentric residents of a Ghost Train on the lookout for a place to belong, she accidentally attracts the attention from the “outside world” and must team up with the motley crew of monsters on a crazy quest to save not only the future of the Ghost Train but also her only chance to finally have a family of her own.

**NO DOGS OR ITALIANS ALLOWED (Alain Ughetto, France, Italy, Belgium, Switzerland 2022)**

**Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 8.30 pm | Gloria 2**

Won in the category Best European Animated Feature Film at the European Film Awards 2022.  
Nominated at the César Awards 2024 in the category Best Animated Feature Film.

At the beginning of the 20th century, the Ughetto family dreamed of a better life abroad. Luigi Ughetto crosses the Alps and starts a new life in France, changing the fate of his beloved family forever.

Trailer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_TDW2ywuusc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_TDW2ywuusc)

### **German premiere:**

**GIANTS OF LA MANCHA (Gonzalo Gutierrez, Argentina, Germany 2023)**

**Sunday, 28th April, 3.30 pm | Gloria 2**

Alfonso Quixote is an 11-year-old boy with a huge imagination. As the rightful descendant and legitimate heir to Don Quixote and just like his great, great, great, great grandfather, he is constantly protecting his beloved town in La Mancha from monsters, which no one else can see.

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FXJc7YZvhQ>

**Joint screening with FMX:**

**NIMONA (Nick Bruno, Troy Quane; USA, United Kingdom 2023)**

**Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 8.30 pm | Gloria 2**

When a knight in a futuristic medieval world is framed for a crime he didn't commit, the only one who can help him prove his innocence is Nimona – a mischievous teen who happens to be a shapeshifting creature he's sworn to destroy.

Trailer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f\\_fuHRyQbOc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f_fuHRyQbOc)

**SONG OF THE SEA (Tomm Moore; Ireland, Luxembourg, Belgium, France, Denmark 2014)**

**Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 10.30 pm | Cinema**

The film tells the story of Ben and his little sister Saoirse – the last Seal-child – who embark on a fantastic journey across a fading world of ancient legend and magic in an attempt to return to their home by the sea.

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VrhoOzW8oF8>

**SULTANA'S DREAM (El sueño de la Sultana)**

**Isabel Herguera, Spain, Germany 2023)**

**Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 10.30 pm | Cinema**

After a fateful encounter with a novel in an Indian bookshop, Inés sets out on a voyage of discovery across country in search of Ladyland, the Utopian land of women. On Thursday at 3 pm there is also a workshop talk with director Isabel Herguera, in which she explains her motivation behind the film.

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B0ObVv3QYag>

**ROBOT DREAMS (Pablo Berger, Spain, France 2023)**

**Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 5.30 pm | Cinema**

**Without dialogues**

Dog lives in Manhattan and he's tired of being alone. One day he decides to build himself a robot, a companion. Their friendship blossoms, until they become inseparable, to the rhythm of 80's NYC. One summer night, Dog, with great sadness, is forced to abandon Robot at the beach. Will they ever meet again?

Trailer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0CHV\\_ZDIhrA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0CHV_ZDIhrA)