Krakow Film Festival online begins

Can't make it to the Krakow Film Festival in person? There's too much to watch and you couldn't see everything? Do you like watching films in the middle of the night and early in the morning? The Festival comes to the rescue and invites you to its online edition! **From 3 to 12 June,** all films screened in-competition and a special series for seasoned binge-viewers – WATCH PARTY – only on KFF VOD. In total, more than 100 of the best documentaries and short films from Poland and the world!

**WATCH PARTY**

Relax on your couch, pop a beer, have your friends drop by, open a pack of crisps and some peanuts, put on KFF VOD, and bust out the popcorn. A true watch party begins! You're in for an evening with crazy and surprising shorts or a night-time get-together with a three-hour documentary about folk horror, and if you're still feeling up to it and the pizza arrives on time, you'll even cram in the story of a memeable frog that made waves online. And if you can't see them all in one sitting, simply meet again. After all, there's no rush – all films will be available online from 3 to 12 June on the KFF VOD platform.

**DOCUMENTARY COMPETITION**

15 films are competing for the Golden Horn and the Silver Horns. A competition that opens the way to the Oscars and European Film Awards. The anxieties of the modern world and returns to landmark historical events, family secrets, and deeply hidden systemic omissions. People with no prospects and the heroes of our times. Those living in metropolitan areas and villages in the middle of nowhere, the little joys, and the toil of creation. A life to be lived, and a life as a monument. Films made using photographs and archival materials, fascinating stories in a documentary form. A comic and crime fiction, family drama, social cinema, and the terrifying shadow of the war in Ukraine.

**NATIONAL COMPETITION**

Polish productions from last year. 39 films will be competing for the Golden Hobby Horse and four Silver Hobby Horses: 19 documentaries, 10 animated films, and 10 fiction films. Award-winning filmmakers return alongside surprising debuts. Insightful looks on our reality – divisions in families and among neighbours. Attempts to portray the life on the streets and communities closed behind walls, and to portray the unrest among the young generation. Unique protagonists and their rare expectations both at their peaks and towards the end of their lives. Diverse genres, some experimentation, and a high sensitivity towards those rejected, hurt, and in need of help.

**SHORT FILM COMPETITION**
The oldest competition of the Krakow festival. 13 documentaries, 13 fiction films, and 13 animated films representing a wide range of styles and themes will be competing for the Golden Dragon and three Silver Dragons, which open the way to the European Film Awards and the Oscars. Violence at home and at school, the right to self-determination, struggling with one’s own limitations and peer pressure as well as loneliness in the face of death. There is also a bright side to life – growing up loved, finding fulfilment in art, and reaching old age happily. Short forms pose a significant challenge for filmmakers. A dozen or so minutes often contain the deepest of reflections, more characteristic of literature, painting, theatre, and music.

**DocFilmMusic COMPETITION**

11 documentary films starring music. A huge variety of styles: from an astonishing opera and a biographical musical to something more than a simple “making of”. Unique portraits, poetic images, and impressive jigsaw puzzles from salvaged archival materials. Charismatic representatives of ethnic musical genres, the child piano prodigy, intense heavy-metal-playing women, and senior twins immersed in the memories of their past achievements. Careers dramatically interrupted by illnesses and the ongoing worldwide pandemic, which has left its mark on the artists’ lives and creative activity.

**PASSES AND TICKETS**

Access to all films on KFF VOD: KFF VOD PASS: PLN 220

Access to selected 10 films on KFF VOD: KFF VOD 10 PASS: PLN 100

Access to individual films or short film bundles: PLN 9

More details at [www.krakowfilmfestival.pl](http://www.krakowfilmfestival.pl/)