

# REC-Filmfestival 2017

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at the ufaFABRIK in Berlin-Tempelhof

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## Introduction for the catalogue 2017

Dear film makers, dear guests,

2017 too is a year full of upheaval and crisis, which doesn't help to increase confidence in politics. Upwards redistribution of wealth is increasing, more and more refugees are immigrating, an unpredictable US president messes with world politics, dismantling of democracy and human rights is taking place in various European countries, climate change is palpable with heat waves and severe tempests. And in Germany political provisions of limitation of diesel exhausts and the use of coal for producing energy are not in sight. Conflicting signals, little certitude for the future.

The young film makers have a fine sense for these developments. Even the youngest are concerned with environment issues and wonder what confidence and conscience really mean. The older ones explore how to move in and between these worlds. Which constraints are we subjected to, where are free spaces and alternatives, in times of ‚alternative facts‘?

To make films is one possibility to explore the world, to conceive movements, to put things in order and to find structures. In a world getting more and more multitudinous the need increases.

This year there are significant more entries than last year, and this didn't make selecting easier. Altogether we will present 69 film from 19 countries. The percentage of Berlin entries is encouraging large. At ‚REC for Kids‘ are many films dealing with Berlin, where kids are exploring their personal environment. In one clip kids take up their last year subject (the film had won a ‚Silver Clip‘ in 2016) and feature how things continued with their former protagonists, the refugees in a gym. This could be the beginning of a stunning long time documentary...

At ‚REC internationales junges Filmfestival‘ documentaries are a significant part again. There's a wide range of subjects, from perception of time to the democracy movement in Hong Kong.

We eagerly await this year's winner of ‚Doku-Clip‘ of ‚International Leipzig Festival for Documentary and Animated Film‘. As always there will be two professional juries, but at ‚REC for Kids‘ the kids themselves will participate in the decisions. Apart from two jurors skilled in media pedagogics there will be two film experienced kids in the jury. The jury fort he elder ones consists of three experienced film and festival professionals, among them a young film maker who won the ‚Golden Clip‘ in 2015. As in previous years the jury will give a spontaneous feed back right after the screening of every program. In

addition the YCN-Award for the best European newcomer will be bestowed. Youth Cinema Network is a grouping of 25 European youth film festivals and media workshops, this year having their annual meeting at REC. And there is a totally new award: Ziegler Film-Produktion will allocate a traineeship at their forthcoming film or tv production. Founder Dr. Regina Ziegler will hold a lecture about Ziegler-Film and professional production.

The workshops at the festival are exciting, too: 'Bildungsakademie cimdata' offers workshops about the use of a professional steadycam, 'Studio DA' and 'Zuckerwattenkrawatten-Kreativstudio' about making animated films, and there will be a studio for professional radio broadcasting production.

We are especially pleased about Bezirksamt Tempelhof-Schöneberg making for an exchange with young filmmakers from our sister cities again this year.

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We wish for all of you a thrilling and inspiring REC-Filmfestival!