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THE FINNISH FILM FOUNDATION

The Finnish Film Foundation supports and promotes the Finnish film industry by allocating public funding for professional film production, exhibition and distribution. It is also responsible for the festival distribution and international promotion of Finnish films.

Founded in 1969, the Finnish Film Foundation operates under the Ministry of Education and Culture. It receives its budget from lottery and pools funds allocated for promoting cinema and hands out around EUR 25 million annually.

The Finnish Film Foundation is the main financer of film production in Finland. It provides production support for feature, documentary, short and animation films as well as television series. The Foundation also funds international co-productions with a Finnish co-production partner.

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Finland at a glance

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Co-Production Funding From The Finnish Film Foundation

International co-productions are eligible for production support from The Finnish Film Foundation when a Finnish co-producer is involved. The Foundation funds around 8 to 10 minority co-productions every year with a support budget of around EUR 1 million. Support is available for feature, documentary, short and animation films as well as television series.

Eligibility for co-production support is determined with the following criteria:

- Involvement of a Finnish co-producer with Finnish distribution rights
- Creative and/or technical input from Finland
- Distribution of some kind in Finland
- Relevance of the project for Finnish audiences
- Possibilities for an ongoing co-operation between the parties

The Support Application is made by the Finnish co-producer. The amount of production support for minority co-productions has ranged from EUR 50,000 to EUR 500,000, depending on the Finnish creative and technical input.

There are no spend requirements for the support, nor is the support recoupable.

For more information and application timetables see: ses.fi/en/funding/grant-announcements-and-deadlines
Finnish 25% Cash Rebate – Fast And Simple

Business Finland offers a production incentive for feature films, television series, documentary films and animations produced at least partly in Finland. The incentive is a 25% cash rebate for costs incurred from the production of an audiovisual work, including pre and post production, in Finland.

The rebate is available for Finnish or foreign production and other audiovisual companies involved in the production, entitled to immaterial property rights. If the applicant/recipient is a foreign company, the recipient needs to have a written service contract with a production coordinator with a Finnish business ID.

Eligible costs include the purchases of goods and services, and the rental of equipment and facilities as well as the salaries paid to employees who are liable to pay income tax in Finland. Other eligible costs may include travel expenses, the producer’s fee and a flat rate of up to 20% for overheads.

The annual budget for the incentive is around EUR 10 million. Applications can be submitted at any time and a decision will be made in 40 days on a first come, first served basis. Payment is made in 21 days after the submission of the auditor’s report, cost statement and appendices. Payment is possible also during the production.

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finlandcashrebate.fi
The Finland Film Commission is a consortium of six regional film commissions across the country. We serve as the initial point of contact for all international queries related to filming in Finland, using production facilities and services and acquiring financing.

We act as a service provider for film, television and commercial production companies.

Through the Finland Film Commission network, we can relay your needs to the region that best suits your production.

It is our job to best match your every need, help bring international productions to Finland and ensure that you have access to our top professionals. We act as the primary link to local authorities and to the audiovisual infrastructure in each area.

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We will help you find the best locations, partners, services and crew for your production.
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RECENTLY RELEASED

The Happiest Day in the Life of Olli Mäki

Director: Juho Kuosmanen
Summer 1962, Olli Mäki has a shot at the world championship title in featherweight boxing. But there is a problem – he has fallen in love with Raija.

Arthouse drama

Thick Lashes of Lauri Mäntyvaara

Director: Hannaleena Hauru
BFF rebels Satu and Heidi preach that real love is not for sale – until Heidi falls head over heels in love with the dreamy ice hockey protégé Lauri Mäntyvaara.

Arthouse drama / Young audiences

Love and Order

Director: Leea Klemola
Finland is not recovering after the devastating superstorm Tuula. Besides the damages in infrastructure, also people are flipping out. Especially men.

TV series / Drama / Comedy

COMING UP

Compartment no. 6

Director: Juho Kuosmanen
A confused girl and a man who hates the world on a train through Siberia. Based on a novel by Rosa Liksom.

Arthouse drama

The Oasis of Now

Director: Hamy Ramezan
Between childhood and adulthood, between staying and leaving, for young refugee Ramin there is only now.

Drama

The Woodcutter Story

Director: Mikko Myllylahti
A woodcutter is put to a horrible test when an open-pit mine is established in his home region.

Arthouse comedy

Founded in 2001, Aamu Film Company produces fiction and documentary films as well as TV series. We work with devoted auteur directors in long term relationships to produce high-quality arthouse cinema.
Helsinki-Kuala Lumpur-Hong Kong! At Anima we create animated films and series for international markets, as well as offer services, covering the whole range of 3D animation production.

COMING UP

Fleak

Director: TBA

Fleak is a fantasy adventure about 12-year-old Lawrie who gets caught in an unfair battle against a monster – from a wheelchair. Told from a child’s perspective, this powerful story shows how imagination and a kind heart can help overcome resentment.

Animation / Children & Youth

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Genres
Feature films • TV Series • Animations

Fleak
Art Films Production develops and produces creative, quality films known for their socially strong-stance subjects. The company’s main focus is on fiction films and documentaries.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**The Guardian Angel**
**Director:** Arto Halonen
An investigator and a hypnotist run a life-and-death chase through the world of psychological manipulation, revealing the most incredible series of hypnosis-related crimes in history.
**Drama / Crime**

**The Liberation of Skopje**
**Directors:** Rade Šerbedžija, Danilo Šerbedžija
The effects of the German occupation during the World War II on an extended family are viewed through the eyes of an 11-year-old boy.
**Drama / Minority co-production**

**Princess**
**Director:** Arto Halonen
The positive and humorous story is based on a real person, the “Princess of Kellokoski”, who spent over 50 years at Kellokoski Psychiatric Hospital as a patient.
**Drama**

**COMING UP**

**Back Into Light**
**Director:** Arto Halonen
A story of the shady world of human trafficking and the challenging recovery of the identity and human dignity of its survivors.
**Documentary**

**Tesla**
**Director:** Arto Halonen
Nikola Tesla tries to change the world by creating a wireless system for transmission of free energy and a collective defence weapon.
**Drama**
Founded in 2007 by producers Misha Jaari and Mark Lwoff, the Helsinki based company Bufo has produced a number of fiction and documentary films of which many have received international recognition.

RECENTLY RELEASED

The Human Part
Director: Juha Lehtola
The money is gone, the family is torn apart, and thus a brilliant impostor is born, who will have to bring his family together and make it stronger than ever.
Drama / Comedy

Void
Director: Aleksi Salmenperä
Void is a tragic and kooky comedy-drama about the price of success and the agony of failure, and about situations where your partner just doesn’t get it.
Drama / Comedy

Helsinki Mansplaining Massacre
Director: Ilja Rautsi
A horror comedy about one woman’s desperate struggle to survive a pack of men who just want to explain everything to her.
Short / Comedy / Horror

COMING UP

The Last Ones
Director: Veiko Õunpuu
Love and class war take no prisoners.
Arthouse / Minority Co-production

Tagli and Telle: The Mystery of Circus Island
Director: Akseli Tuomivaara
When animals go missing from Circus Island, siblings Tagli and Telle start a private detective agency to investigate the mystery.
Children & Youth

Memory of Water
Director: Saara Saarela
In Lapland, withered by ecological disasters and wars, Noria, a young woman finds courage to expose a deadly secret heavily guarded by the ruling Eastern military government.
Scifi

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Citizen Jane is a Helsinki-based production company that creates and produces both feature films and TV series. We strive to entertain and tell stories that matter about this world and the people in it.

RECENTLY RELEASED

**Pony and Pigeonboy**
**Director:** Mari Rantasila
An entertaining film about a girl, Pony, who does not want to start school and her imaginary friend, a rapping Pigeonboy – the adventures can begin!
**Children & Youth**

**Urban Family**
**Director:** Oskari Sipola
A music film about Selja who gets a knock on the door by the boy she gave up for adoption 16 years ago – life takes a new turn for everyone.
**Drama**

**Marzia, My Friend**
**Director:** Kirs Mattila
A documentary of an Afghan woman who like all young people dreams of love, freedom and a good job. But in Afghanistan, her dreams are revolutionary.
**Documentary**

COMING UP

**Ace of Hearts**
**Director:** Hanna Maylett
A feature film with dark humor about three generations of women who decide to start pulling the strings in their own lives.
**Drama**

**ZOO (season 1)**
**Director:** Elin Grönblom
School is like a ZOO and nobody knows it better than Atlas (14) who’s trying to find his place in the world with the help of his imagination and humor.
**TV series / Comedy / Children & Youth**

**Life After Death**
**Director:** Klaus Härö
A dark comedy about what counts when you are faced with the death of a loved one, is it the details or something more important?
**Drama**
Dionysos Films is a Helsinki based, independent production company founded in 2008. Its productions are known to be high quality and audience reaching fiction in both feature film and series format.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Deadwind**
- **Director:** Rike Jokela
- Nordic crime drama series mixing crime investigation and personal drama of the main character detective Sofia Karppi, a female detective in her 40s.
- **TV series / Drama / Crime**

**Living with My Ex, Season 2**
- **Director:** Johanna Vuoksenmaa
- Drama-comedy series about five recently divorced families living in the same apartment building, designed especially for them.
- **TV series / Drama / Comedy**

**Tatu and Patu**
- **Director:** Rike Jokela
- **Children & Youth**

**COMING UP**

**Aurora**
- **Director:** Miia Tervo
- A miracle happens in the arctic ghetto.
- **Drama / Comedy**

**Dragonslayer666, Seasons 2 & 3**
- **Director:** Aleksi Delikouras
- The series follows the meteoric rise of eSports and the challenging path faced by those who burn to become professional gamers in a world that still looks down on its players.
- **TV series / Drama / Comedy**

**Deadwind, Season 2**
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- **TV series / Drama / Crime**
Hailing from Helsinki, comes Don Films. Co-founded in 2010 by friends with solid backgrounds in producing, directing and screenwriting, we devote ourselves to character-driven stories with high stakes and unstoppable momentum.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Lake Bodom**
**Director:** Taneli Mustonen
Reconstructing a legendary campsite murder turns deadly in Taneli Mustonen’s Scandinavian horror hit and SXSW standout film which was sold to numerous territories including USA, UK and Japan.
*Horror*

**Arrhythmia**
**Director:** Boris Khlebnikov
Boris Khlebnikov’s festival favourite was the most successful independent local feature at the Russian box office in 2017 and scooped awards around the globe.
*Drama / Minority co-production*

**COMING UP**

**The Twin**
**Director:** Taneli Mustonen
An elevated horror film about a mother who in the aftermath of a tragic loss needs to confront the unbearable truth about her surviving twin son. Awarded Best Project at Bucheon 2017.
*Horror*
RECENTLY RELEASED

Into the Forest I Go
Director: Anu Kuivalainen
The forest gives us more than we can ever ask for.
Documentary

The Wages of War
Director: Timo Korhonen
My father went to fight for peace, but brought the war back home.
Documentary

Kihniö
Director: Saija Mäki-Nevala
Everything is here, sort of.
Documentary

COMING UP

A Way to Peace
Directors: Jenni Kivistö, Jussi Rastas
In Colombia the peace is close, but you’ll keep your weapon closer.
Documentary

The Blue Lagoon
Director: Lotta-Kaisa Riistakoski
A fixed baseball match that brought down the dreams of a small village.
Documentary

Divine Consultants
Director: Juha Fiilin
Animated adventure in a corrupt afterlife – for the young and curious. 13 x 11 min.
Animated TV series

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Filimimaa is a Helsinki-based production company, founded in 2007. Our mission is to promote different voices in order to give us all something new to think about.

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We like to be different, to think out-of-the-box. We produce, design and create movies, great concepts and brands with high-profile and big impact, simultaneously addressing strong knowledge and skill.

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RECENTLY RELEASED

**Moomins and the Winter Wonderland**
**Directors:** Jakub Wroński, Ira Carpelan
Moomintroll decides to explore winter instead of hibernating. He meets strange creatures wandering snowdrifts in midwinter darkness, and an odd guest will be coming...
*Animation / Children & Youth*

**Moomins and the Comet Chase**
**Director:** Maria Lindberg
Moomintroll and his friends start on a trek to the mountains to find out what is threatening earth. Peculiar creatures and many dangers change the summer trip into a big adventure.
*Animation / Children & Youth*

**Moomins**
**Directors:** Lucjan Dembiński, Jadwiga Kudrzycka, Krystyna Kulczycka, Dariusz Zawilski, Waclaw Fedak
Sincere and bohemian Moomins appreciate family, friends and nature. Great values make the series apt for kids, yet the clever stories also create an enjoyable family experience.
*Animated TV series / Children & Youth*

COMING UP

**The Exploits of Moominpappa**
**Director:** Ira Carpelan
Moominpappa encounters the greatest adventures, such as the Ghost of the Isle of Dreads, together with his friends. He also meets Moominmamma amidst the stormy sea.
*Animation / Children & Youth*

**Ro**
**Director:** Magdalena Osińska
Ro, a young flamingo leaves his bay and goes to the city where he discovers music and true friendship. Through the friendship he succeeds to build up the broken bond between flamingos and humans.
*Animation / Children & Youth*
**Fisher King** creates original content, high quality stories which travel internationally and can be released transmedially. The company is known for prime time series Nymphs and Bordertown which has premiered in over 40 countries.

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**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Bordertown (seasons 1 & 2)**
- **Directors:** Miikko Oikkonen, Jyri Kähönen, Juuso Syrjä
  - Detective Sorjonen moves with his family to a small town near the Finnish-Russian border to lead a quiet life. But how peaceful is life between two worlds?
  - **TV series / Drama / Crime**

**Nymphs**
- **Directors:** Miikko Oikkonen, Teemu Nikki
  - They are lethal to men. Without men, they won’t survive. A fantasy series on the eternal conflict between nymphs, satyrs and humans, set in contemporary world.
  - **TV Series / Drama**

**Love Records**
- **Director:** Aleksi Mäkelä
  - A loud tale of ambition, loyalty and rock’n’roll. The story of the first Finnish record label that truly embraced the youth culture of the 1960s.
  - **Drama**

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**COMING UP**

**Watchdog**
- **Director:** TBA
  - In the midst of international cyberterrorism, a journalist and a secret service official join forces to reveal a conspiracy in the core of European halls of power.
  - **TV series / Drama / Crime**

**The Breaking Wave**
- **Director:** TBA
  - A contemporary Nordic western. A tale of two brothers, their families, three nations and the war on oil and environment on the Barents Sea.
  - **TV series / Drama**

**Bordertown (season 3)**
- **Directors:** Miikko Oikkonen, Juuso Syrjä, TBA
  - Third season of the acclaimed Nordic Noir series. This time detective Kari Sorjonen will confront his inner and outer demons during a long cold Nordic winter.
  - **TV series / Drama / Crime**
**Gigglebug Entertainment** is an animation IP studio based in Finland. We create, develop and produce positive kids content with multi-platform distribution and global growth potential. Our mission is to make fun stuff with a purpose!

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**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Gigglebug**
**Director:** Joonas Utti
Gigglebug may be small but he has a big heart and an even bigger laugh. Gigglebug’s heartfelt and positive stories deal with friendship, overcoming challenges and recognising emotions.
*Animated TV series / Children & Youth*

**COMING UP**

**Best & Bester**
**Director:** Joonas Utti
Two no-bodies on a journey to discover the best thing ever!
*Animated TV series / Comedy / Children & Youth*

**GIFTED**
**Director:** TBA
Break the loop!
*Animated TV series / Children & Youth*
Helmed by producer Hanna Hemilä with 25 years of experience in international co-productions, **Handle Productions** and **Lumifilm** produce original, meaningful stories and offer production expertise for prominent indie productions.

### RECENTLY RELEASED

- **Moomins on the Riviera**
  - **Director:** Xavier Picard
  - **Genres:** Animation / Drama / Comedy / Children & Youth

- **Tommy’s Supersofa**
  - **Director:** Monica Vikström-Jokela
  - An eventful and heartfelt countdown to Christmas depicts the life of young Tommy and his sisters after their parents’ separation.
  - **Genres:** TV series / Drama / Comedy / Children & Youth

- **Paavo, a Life in Five Courses**
  - **Director:** Hanna Hemilä
  - Isabella Rossellini and Pia Lindström unveil how their mother, actress Ingrid Bergman hired Finnish farm boy Paavo into her household. Bit by bit Paavo became Bergman’s confidant.
  - **Genres:** Documentary

### COMING UP

- **Schjerfbeck**
  - **Director:** Saara Saarela
  - After extensive travels, painter Helene Schjerfbeck withdraws with her mother to a small town in Finland, where she finesses an unparalleled Modernist style.
  - **Genres:** Arthouse / Drama / Historical

- **Tootletubs and Jyro House-hunting**
  - **Directors:** Mariko Härkönen, Ismo Virtanen
  - Crossing a park is a small step for mankind but a huge leap for two tiny bugs, who search for a new home. Based on the beloved, recently remastered short films.
  - **Genres:** Animation / Drama / Comedy / Children & Youth

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Year after year we produce films that win over both the audience and the critics. You can see depth and warm hearts both in our films and in the people who make them. Founded in 2002.

Activists, Miami, Tom of Finland

RECENTLY RELEASED

Miami
Director: Zaida Bergroth
A sheltered young woman is unexpectedly reunited with her estranged sister, an exotic dancer.
Drama

Tom of Finland
Director: Dome Karukoski
Dome Karukoski brings to screen the life and work of Touko Laaksonen, one of the most influential and celebrated figures of twentieth century gay culture.
Historical drama

Wonderland
Director: Inari Niemi
Recently divorced Helena is anxious about spending Christmas alone. Her best friend invites her to a farm, the only place they can afford.
Drama / Comedy

COMING UP

Activists
Director: Lauri Maijala
Activists – set in the years 1899 to 1906 – portrays what happens when people lose faith in society’s capability to deal with conflict.
TV series / Historical drama

Dogs Don’t Wear Pants (working title “Mona”)
Director: J-P Valkeapää
Juha feels numb years after losing his wife in a drowning accident. He’s unable to connect with people but meeting Mona, a dominatrix, changes things.
Drama

Tove
Director: TBA
Story of the formative years of Tove Jansson, the great writer and artist.
Historical drama
RECENTLY RELEASED

Nokia Mobile – We Were Connecting People
**Director:** Arto Koskinen
What were the decisions that led to the demise of one of the most successful technological businesses of modern times?
**Documentary**

Fatei and the Sea
**Director:** Alina Rudnitskaya
In Rikord Island, off the south-east coast of Russia, Fatei struggles with the local authorities. In his work for the common good, he finds himself on the wrong side of the law.
**Documentary**

Northern Travelogues
**Director:** Kira Jääskeläinen
In 1917 Finnish explorer Sakari Pälsi travelled to north-eastern Siberia carrying a cinematograph with him. A hundred years later director Kira Jääskeläinen returns to the area.
**Documentary**

COMING UP

School of Hope
**Director:** Mohamed El Aboudi
Nomad tribe is struggling to get education for their children. A young teacher tries to help them while suffering himself of the Government’s indifference toward rural regions.
**Documentary**

Typhoon Mama
**Director:** Lou Strömberg
Director’s Filipino stepmother living in Sweden is being pressured for money by her sons back home who believe she lives in luxury.
**Documentary**

The Unknown Nobels
**Director:** Jouko Aaltonen
A documentary film about the rise and fall of the Nobel industrial family.
**Documentary**

Quality films since 1987.
Inland Film Company is an indie film production company. It produces feature films, documentaries and short films. The company is an established member of the Finnish film industry. It’s principal place of business is in Helsinki.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Laugh or die
Director: Heikki Kujanpää
1918. Red actors are imprisoned and sentenced to death, and then offered a chance to avoid being shot, if they entertain the guests of the prison camp's commandant.
Drama

Stories from Finland
Director: Juhani Oroza
A tent was set up in market places around Finland to collect stories from random passers-by without any thematic limitations imposed by the film-makers.
Documentary

An Autobiography
Director: Mari Mantela
Anja is a woman who knows everything about cars, but nothing of herself.
Short drama / Comedy

COMING UP

Smells Like Teen Spirit (working title)
Director: Esa Illi
The era of digitalization of everything has huge advantages to offer to mankind. The downside is hitting teenagers. In ‘liquid times,’ ‘passive marginalization process’ is a reality.
Documentary

Khadar’s Ghost
Director: Sami Laitinen
Khadar, a black police officer in Finland. Antero jumps of the balcony, regretting only that his toe hit the rail spoiling his perfect suicide. Khadar wakes him up, and up wakes his first case.
Drama / Crime / Comedy
Iron Sky Universe is a production company founded late 2013 and it focuses solely on expanding The Iron Sky franchise and developing online platforms for audience engagement.

COMING UP

Iron Sky The Coming Race
Director: Timo Vuorensola
In 2038, in the center of the Earth, our heroes are fighting against reptilian Adolf Hitler and his dinosaur army guarding mankind’s last hope for salvation: The Holy Grail.
Comedy / Sci-fi

Iron Sky: The Ark
Director: Timo Vuorensola
Two Chinese university dropouts audiophiles find themselves fighting against the mother of all conspiracy theories – the Illuminati.
Sci-fi
We make films. We love it. We make TV content too. We love it too. And every year we make one short film. Guess why?

Euthanizer
Director: Teemu Nikki
A psychotic, animal loving pet euthanizer, Veijo Haukka, delivers justice to careless pet owners, until he confronts a gang of violent thugs who seek bloody revenge.
Arthouse drama

Mental2
Director: Teemu Nikki
Four young people get out from a mental institute. They are supposed to be cured and all-normal.
TV series / Comedy / Children & Youth

Cleaning Woman
Director: Teemu Nikki
A cleaning woman tries to start a new life as a writer.
Short drama / Comedy

COMING UP
Nimby
Director: Teemu Nikki
A comedy about intolerance among tolerant people.
Arthouse drama / Comedy

Mr8
Director: Teemu Nikki
TV series / Comedy

Limbo
Director: Nalle Sjöblad
Limbo is a story about a loop, about a moment from what you cannot get out. At the same time, Limbo is a beginning.
Short arthouse drama
IV Films produces selected, high profile documentaries and runs Rough Cut Service giving consultancy to the ambitious documentary films on their rough cut stage.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Raghu Rai – an unframed portrait
Director: Avani Rai
Raghu Rai is the father of Indian photography. His story is told by young Avani Rai, who has to fight for her own voice in the shadow of her father.
Documentary

Machines
Director: Rahul Jain
Director Rahul Jain presents an intimate, observantly portrayal of the rhythm of life and work in a gigantic textile factory in Gujarat, India.
Documentary

COMING UP

Delhi
Director: Rahul Jain
A prismatic meditation on pollution in the capital of the World’s biggest free-market democracy and the most polluted and populated city – a film about the pollution inside of the human mind.
Documentary

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Kaiho Republic aims to produce high quality content in the fields of television and film. We work in close co-operation with national and international production companies, with experienced professionals and new emerging talent.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**East of Sweden**
*Director:* Simo Halinen
East of Sweden is a suspense drama based on fateful decisions. Unexpected confrontation between three men on a night train leads to an accidental death.
*Drama*

**Eisenstein in Guanajuato**
*Director:* Peter Greenaway
The film explores the mind of a creative genius facing the desires and fears of love, sex and death through ten passionate days.
*Drama / Minority co-production*

**Open Up to Me**
*Director:* Simo Halinen
An intense drama about sexual identities. In modern relationships nothing can be taken for granted anymore. There is no ready-made model for love.
*Drama*

**COMING UP**

**Invisible Heroes**
*Directors:* Mika Kurvinen, Alicia Scherson
Invisible Heroes tells the heroic tale of young Finnish diplomats in Chile during the infamous military coup in 1973.
*TV series / Drama*

**Reindeer Mafia**
*Director:* TBC
When the old reindeer king Jonás-Guhtur Nelihanka grabs his son by the lapels of his leather vest, his heart bleeds. His oldest has donned the insignia of a criminal snowmobile gang and abandoned his father.
*TV series / Drama*

**Ski Grls**
*Director:* Marja Pyykkö
License to chill.
*Comedy*
Kinocompany, established 2006, is a production company in Helsinki. We feel passionate about character driven stories that have impact on us all – encompassing all aspects of human life.

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RECENTLY RELEASED

Rodeo – Taming a Wild Country
Directors: Kiur Aarma, Raimo Joerand
1992. The young republic is in chaos. Rodeo tells about the rollercoaster ride of independence as Estonia travelled towards capitalism and out of the Soviet past.
Documentary / Minority co-production

The Unforgiven
Director: Lars Feldballe-Petersen
Is it possible for a war criminal to find forgiveness and reconciliation with the past? A Bosnian has looked for answers for many years. He needs to make one last attempt.
Documentary

The Shower
Director: Ştefan Constantinescu
A film about how every man and woman has a rescuer, a victim and a perpetrator within themselves, how fine the lines are and the consequences of trying to erase them.
Short fiction

COMING UP

Hope Ever After
Director: Emilia Petterberg
A tender drama with joyfulness about a mother and daughter coping with the loss of the father and the debts that untie.
Arthouse

iBnB
Director: Teemu Nikki
Just Believe
Horror

Fragments of Humanity
Director: Elli Rintala
In conflict zones around the world, Finnish forensic dentist Helena Ranta is advocating for the thought that even in war there must be rules and justice.
Documentary
LÅNGFILM PRODUCTIONS FINLAND

Långfilm Productions Finland Ltd (founded 2001) and has produced more than 40 film projects covering a wide range: feature films, TV series, documentaries and animations. We also offer production services.

RECENTLY RELEASED

12 things about Finland
Director: Henrietta Clayhills
A documentary TV series (12 x 28 min) which tells the history of Finland’s 100 years of independence through 12 objects.
Documentary / TV series / Historical

Mosaic
Director: Anna Blom
A documentary TV series (13 x 8 min) for kids.
Documentary / TV series / Children & Youth

Lola Upsidedown
Director: Ulrika Bengts
A fiction TV series (6 x 58 min) based on a novel by Monika Fagerholm.
TV series / Drama / Arthouse

COMING UP

Archipellina
Director: Antonia Ringbom
An animated TV series (26 x 7 min) which already is in production. It will be completed in February 2020.
Animated TV series / Children & Youth

Beside the Football Field
Director: Lauri Nurkse
A fictional TV series (10 x 42 min) which tells about families whose only reason to stick together is that their kids play in the same football team. Shooting in September 2019.
TV series / Drama / Comedy

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Lucy Loves Drama is a new production company established in the autumn of 2015 by a group of experienced producers and multi-award-winning screenwriter Paavo Westerberg.

**COMING UP**

**White Hunger**  
**Director:** Mikko Kuparinen  
Touching story of survival taking place in the great famine of 1867. Based on a Booker-nominee novel by Aki Ollikainen.  
**Historical**

**Light Light Light**  
**Director:** Inari Niemi  
Light Light Light is a film about love and forgiveness, and finding and loosing hope. Based on an award-winning novel by Vilja-Tuulia Huotarinen.  
**Drama**

**The Real Mom**  
**Director:** Paavo Westerberg  
High-end family drama from the director and screenwriter of The Violin Player (2018).  
**Drama**

**The Fuel Game**  
**Director:** Ari Matikainen  
An investigative documentary about emissions, climate change and solutions.  
**Documentary**

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Made produces films that represent and stretch the borderline between documentary and fiction; films that challenge their genres and present the makers’ own voice to reach audiences both in Finland and abroad.

RECENTLY RELEASED
The Hole in the Ground
Director: Lee Cronin
A young mother becomes convinced her little boy has been transformed by something sinister coming from a mysterious sinkhole. Savage Productions (IE) in co-production with Wrong Men (BE) and MADE.
Drama / Horror / Minority co-production

COMING UP
Audio Perpetua
Director: Ivy Rose Universe Baldoza
Everyday life in the United States is being transcribed by a group of visually-impaired people in Manila. America – look who listens to your noise!
Fiction / Documentary

Silent as murderers
Director: Lauri-Matti Pappei
20-year-old Minna and Ina spend their summer vacations in a wealthy residential area. At nights they secretly visit each other’s homes.
Short fiction

THEIA
Director: Mari Mantela
A woman hunts for bounty and catches a lost daughter.
Drama / SciFi
Films for international market since 1998. Feature films, docs and shorts. Nominations for Oscars, Golden Globes and European Film Awards, including The Fencer, Little Wing and The Good Postman.

RECENTLY RELEASED

One Last Deal
Director: Klaus Härö
An elderly art dealer wants to make one last deal in order to leave the art scene as a winner and prove his worth to his estranged family.
Drama

Heavy Trip
Directors: Juuso Laatio, Jukka Vidgren
A Finnish metal band goes to a festival in Norway. The trip includes grave robbing, Viking heaven and a border conflict between Finland and Norway.
Comedy

Little Wing
Director: Selma Vilhunen
Varpu, 12, has had enough of her friends and her mother. She steals a car and drives up north in search of her dad. Winner of the Nordic Film prize 2017.
Drama / Children & Youth

COMING UP

Magic Lives of V
Director: Tonislav Hristov
While trying to become more independent through live-role-playing, a young woman haunted by childhood traumas learns how to face her abusive father.
Documentary

The Great Bear
Director: Jan Forsström
A shaman tells Annika that she has hidden gifts. He’s is manipulative and dangerous but the new-found powers make Annika much more than a victim.
Drama

My Sailor, My Love
Director: Klaus Härö
A retired sea captain and a widower falls in love with his home aid. His middle-aged daughter does not approve of the relationship.
Drama
Marianna Films is specialised in producing national feature films and co-producing European films. It was founded in 1987 in Helsinki by Mika Kaurismäki.
Mouka Filmi has produced internationally acclaimed award-winning creative documentary and short fiction films since 2006.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Giveaway
Director: Kimmo Leed
To cherish the memory of their mother, siblings take matters into their own hands.
Short drama
Animal Image
Director: Perttu Saksa
Animal Image is a poetic documentary about the eternal relationship between man and animal.
Short documentary
Punk Voyage
Director: Jukka Kärkkäinen & J-P Passi
Pertti Kurikan Nimipäivät (PKN), a band of four educationally challenged men, is Europe’s no. 1 punk rock act. But the end is in sight.
Documentary

COMING UP
Kebab King
Director: Jukka Kärkkäinen
An ill-fated display of unjustified anger.
Short comedy

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**MWP Matila Röhr Productions** is one of the leading film production companies in Finland. The company has produced over 40 feature films since 1990 along with TV drama, animation and documentary films.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**The Eternal Road**
**Director:** AJ Annila
One night in the summer of 1930, thugs belonging to a Finnish fascist movement abduct Jussi Ketola from his home. The unwanted journey begins along the Eternal Road.

**Drama**

**Life in Four Elements**
**Director:** Natalie Halla
Life in Four Elements is a human journey through Earth, Air, Water and Fire, following the adventures of five unique characters and their unforgettable stories.

**Documentary**

**Tale of a Lake**
**Directors:** Marko Röhr, Kim Saarniluoto
An adventure in the land of thousands of lakes.

**Documentary**

**COMING UP**

**All the Sins**
**Director:** Mika Ronkainen
After leaving home 10 years ago, detective Lauri Räihä is sent to investigate the murders of two men in the small northern town where he grew up.

**TV series**

**Ailo’s Journey**
**Director:** Guillaume Maidatschovsky

**Fiction**

**Tale of a Sleeping Giant**
**Director:** Marko Röhr

**Fiction**
Napafilms focuses on films that help us understand the variety of phenomena and people in this world – by understanding the world around us we can understand ourselves.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Boys Who Like Girls**
Director: Inka Achté
Teenager Ved is growing up in India while the country is renegotiating the rigid gender roles. How is it affecting Veds’ life?
Documentary

**Grey Violet – Odd One Out**
Director: Reetta Aalto
Grey Violet is a mathematician by profession, an activist by heart and one of those who has had to leave Russia for fear of imprisonment.
Documentary

**Cheer Up**
Director: Christy Garland
Miia, the ambitious coach of Finland’s worst competitive cheerleading team, is sick of losing and stuck in Rovaniemi, on the Arctic Circle.
Documentary / Children & Youth

**COMING UP**

**The Other Side of Mars**
Director: Minna Långström
Following closely the NASA’s Mars mission the film raises questions about the limits of photography and the truth-value of images in the universe.
Documentary

**Gold Diggers**
Director: Inka Achté
A Finland based Somali family is moving to Somaliland to build a better future for themselves.
Documentary

**The Reporter**
Director: Ari Matikainen
Legendary Finnish journalist changed the society and politics in Finland. As his power grew so did the resistance. What is the role of journalist today?
Documentary
Oktober is an internationally awarded and acclaimed Finnish production company which was established in 2004.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Entrepreneur**  
**Director:** Virpi Suutari  
A film about the everyday life of the self-employed entrepreneurs in today’s society. It focuses on their dreams, integrity, and ability to sustain their dignity even amidst hardships.  
Documentary

**Kaisa’s Enchanted Forest**  
**Director:** Katja Gauriloff  
Internationally awarded Kaisa’s Enchanted Forest is a poetic study into the friendship between a legendary Skolt Sámi storyteller and a Swiss writer Robert Crottet.  
Documentary

**Mother’s Wish**  
**Director:** Joonas Berghäll  
Mother’s Wish is a documentary film, that gathers together ten stories seen and told by women from different parts of the world.  
Documentary

**COMING UP**

**Baby Jane**  
**Director:** Katja Gauriloff  
A love story of two women, a prison for three women. A power game with a no-win situation.  
Arthouse

**The Happiest Man on Earth**  
**Director:** Joonas Berghäll  
A documentary film about the (un)wellbeing of Finnish men in 2018.  
Documentary

**Jenni & Tony**  
**Director:** Panu Suuronen  
Jenni is here because of Tony, but now she wants to kill him.  
Documentary
Silva Mysterium was founded in 1994 by producers Mika Ritalahti and Niko Ritalahti. Silva Mysterium has produced fiction both for cinema and TV and documentaries. The company also produces industrial films and radio plays.

RECENTLY RELEASED PRODUCTIONS

**Star Boys**
**Director:** Visa Koiso-Kanttila
Star Boys tells about what happens when sexual revolution arrives in a conservative and religious small town in Northern Finland.

**Drama**

**Kajaani**
**Director:** Mikael Marignac
After many years lived in France, Juho and Anna go back to Finland to visit their sick father. Juho, separated from his father for 15 years, is afraid of whom he's going to find.

**Short drama**

**Only Pussies Screw**
**Director:** Juha Lankinen
Only Pussies Screw is a road movie and a coming-of-age story, where Make finds out whether he can step up to the responsibility of leadership.

**Short drama / Children & Youth**

COMING UP

**Diva of Finland**
**Director:** Maria K. Mononen
A drama comedy about envy between teenage girls – a journey through a pitchblack winter leads our 18-year-old heroine to a possibility of friendship and alliance with her worst enemy.

**Young audiences**

Star Boys, Diva of Finland

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Genres
Feature films • Documentaries • Short films • TV Series
Snapper Films – founded in 1998 – is a production, financing and distribution company based in Helsinki and Los Angeles. We specialize in feature-length films and TV series.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Zarra’s Law
Director: Juha Wuolijoki
Zarra’s Law (2014), directed by Juha Wuolijoki, is a compelling story of two brothers on opposite sides of the law.
Drama / Crime

Ella and Friends 1
Director: Taneli Mustonen
Children & Youth

Ella and Friends 2
Director: Marko Mäkilaakso
Children & Youth

COMING UP

Vinski and the Invisibility Powder
Director: Juha Wuolijoki
The upcoming feature film, Vinski and the Invisibility Powder is based on a beloved children’s novel Koko kaupungin Vinski.
Children & Youth

Sherlock North
Director: Juha Wuolijoki
Consulting detective Mr. Sherlock Holmes in subzero Northern Scandinavia, featuring a female Dr. Watson from Finland, and the coldest Moriarty you have ever seen.
TV series

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Solar Films, founded in 1995, is the leading production company in Finland in the field of feature films, concentrating primarily on films with strong commercial and international potential for a wide audience.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**Happier Times, Grump**
*Director*: Tiina Lymi  
The Grump wants to die; the meaning of life is gone. But his grandchild needs wisdom and a place to stay. A stubborn old man and a city girl get together.  
*Drama / Comedy*

**Land of Hope**
*Director*: Markku Pölönen  
A love story, set between 1945–1952. The government gives a couple an uncleared plot of land where they start to build their home from scratch.  
*Historical drama*

**COMING UP**

**Ricky Rapper and a Strong Man**
*Director*: Markus Lehmusruusu  
The biggest family movie brand in Finland. Ricky's on a holiday with his family and friends when they meet a strong man and his son. The girls become their fans so the boys should get ready for the arm wrestling competition!  
*Children & Youth*

**Man and a Junior**
*Director*: Tiina Lymi  
Pasanen boys, familiar from Man and a Baby, have to face that a pink and sparkle-loving princess is actually even more exotic of a creature than the tyrannosaurus.  
*Comedy*
Subzero Film Entertainment was established in 2012 by producer Petri Jokiranta and director Jalmari Helander. Under Subzero banner Jokiranta and Helander concentrate on developing and producing high-concept genre projects.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Big Game
Director: Jalmari Helander
When Air Force One is downed by terrorists, the fate of the most powerful man on the planet lies in the hands of one boy.
Action / Adventure

COMING UP

Untitled Helander Movie
Director: Jalmari Helander
The next film from the director and producer of Big Game.
Fiction

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Genres
Feature films

Samuel L. Jackson in BIG GAME. Photo Credit: Stephanie Kulbach.

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Samuel L. Jackson in BIG GAME. Photo Credit: Stephanie Kulbach.
TACK Films is a writer-led production company founded by screenwriters John Lundsten and Melli Maikkula. Our short film The Ceiling won the Special Distinction at Cannes Film Festival Short Film Competition 2017.

**RECENTLY RELEASED**

**The Ceiling**
**Director:** Teppo Airaksinen
In the midst of divorce, a man retreats to his summer cottage only to find that the ceiling has mysteriously come down.
**Short drama / Comedy**

**Mandatory Swedish**
**Director:** Niklas Lindgren
He is seriously constipated, while she is deeply concerned about the state of their Swedish-speaking minority in Finland.
**Short comedy**

**Beta Male**
**Director:** Marja Pyykkö
Pekka is tired of being masculine and dominant in his relationship.
**Short comedy**

**COMING UP**

**Animals**
**Director:** Teppo Airaksinen
A divorce told through five different perspectives: two men, two women and a dog.
**Arthouse drama / Comedy**

**The Stick**
**Director:** Teppo Airaksinen
A young girl really wants, and needs, a dog.
**Short drama / Comedy**

**Monday**
**Director:** TBA
A supernatural anthology series about people who encounter miracles in their every day life.
**TV series / Drama / Comedy**
Tuffi Films is an award-winning film production company based in Helsinki, Finland, founded in 2010. The company is formed of three producers and three writer/directors.

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RECENTLY RELEASED

Stupid Young Heart
Director: Selma Vilhunen
Story about suburban teenagers who unexpectedly have to deal with adult issues of pregnancy while extreme right-wing ideas enter their neighbourhood.

Never Again
Director: Aino Suni
Story of a young female rapper Mercedes Bentso whose past keeps coming back to haunt her.

Prince of Paris
Director: Veera Lehto-Michaud
A film about Princesse, a 9-year-old Cameroonian, and her father, who leaves Africa to make their dreams come true.

COMING UP

One-Off Incident
Director: multiple directors
Collection of short films by 12 female filmmakers. The project discloses the invisible use of power towards women in their private lives and in the society.

Sihja
Director: Marja Pyykkö
Not all fairies are like Tinkerbell. A story about a sassy fairy Sihja and her human friend, Alfred, a sensitive city boy.

Conductivity
Director: Anna-Karin Grönroos
How does one become a leader? Young conductors are in search of their place in the hierarchical world of classical music.
Yellow Film & TV is the largest independent production company in Finland, producing high-quality drama, comedy, entertainment, sports, and movies—both domestically and internationally.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Borg Vs. McEnroe
Director: Janus Metz
The story of the 1980s tennis rivalry between the placid Björn Borg and the volatile John McEnroe.
Drama / Minority co-production

Super Furball
Director: Joona Tena
Emilia’s pet hamster bites her finger and she gets a secret superpower to transform into Super Furball.
Children & Youth

Lapland Odyssey 3
Director: Tiina Lymi
Sometimes one needs to walk the walk.
Comedy

COMING UP

Arctic Circle
Director: Hannu Salonen
High above the arctic circle, a policewoman and a virologist are forced outside the law when they uncover a conspiracy.
TV series / Crime

Juice
Director: Teppo Airaksinen
Juice Leskinen was the father of Finnish rock. Above all else, he valued love. The rest—booze, lyrics, and fame—were by-products.
Drama

SuperCool
Director: Teppo Airaksinen
Two best friends enter their senior year of high school hoping to go out with a bang.
Comedy
Zone2 Pictures was established 2005 in Helsinki, Finland. Zone2 aims to produce films of the highest artistic and technical quality that are successful for both national and international audiences.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Bad Police
Director: Pekka Lehto
A Finnish prostitute and four gangsters expose how the drug squad Police Chief commits crimes, rather than solves them. Is this corruption of an individual or a system?
Documentary

No Road Home
Director: Markku Heikkinen
A cinematic letter from Charles traveling from Finland back to Rwanda refugee camp to meet his mother and his own past.
Documentary

Siéva
Director: Jenni Nyberg
An intimate and lyrical look at a new form of street dance – one that trades the hyper-cockiness of traditional b- boying for a style that is gentle and vulnerable.
Documentary

COMING UP

Mercurius of Molenbeek
Director: Reetta Huhtanen
Curious 6-year-old Aatos attempts to make sense of the adult world around him and starts questioning the Gods of Molenbeek.
Documentary

Calling Mother
Directors: Heli Pekkonen, Marianne Mäkelä
Calling Mother is a documentary film from moments when you have to call mother. The film is a collage of the relationship between a mother and a child, from birth to death.
Documentary
USEFUL CONTACTS
International Film Festivals in Finland

Skäbmagovat – Indigenous Peoples’ Film Festival, Inari
January • skabmagovat.fi

DocPoint Helsinki
Documentary Film Festival
January-February • docpoint.info

Helsinki Cine Asia
March • helsinkicineasia.fi

Tampere Film Festival
March • tamperefilmfestival.fi

Loikka Dance Film Festival, Helsinki
April • loikka.fi

Season Film Festival, Helsinki
April • seasonfilmfestival.fi

Animatricks Animation Festival, Helsinki
April • animatricks.net

Night Visions
International Film Festival, Helsinki
April & November • nightvisions.info

Espoo Ciné International Film Festival
May • espoocine.fi

Midnight Sun International Film Festival, Sodankylä
June • msfilmfestival.fi

Love & Anarchy – Helsinki
International Film Festival
September • hiff.fi

Turku Animated Film Festival
September-October • taff.fi

Oulu International Children’s and Youth Film Festival
October • oulunelokuvakeskus.fi/lef

Vinokino LGBTIQ Film Festival, Turku & Helsinki
October-November • vinokino.fi

Finnish Television Companies

Yle, the Finnish Broadcasting Company
yle.fi/aihe/about-yle

MTV
mtv.fi/yritys/en

Nelonen Media (Sanoma Media Finland)
sanoma.fi/en

Elisa Viihde
elisaviihde.fi

Main Distribution Companies in Finland

Atlantic Film
atlanticfilm.fi

Cinema Mondo
cinemamondo.fi

Cinemanse
cinemanse.fi

Finnkino
finnkinob2b.fi

Future Film
futurefilm.fi

Nordisk Film
nordiskfilm.fi

Pirkkanmaan elokuvakeskus
peklevitys.fi

Scanbox
scanbox.com/fi

SF Studios
sffilm.fi

Walt Disney Company Finland
disney.fi
Other organizations and companies

**Finnanimation**
finnamination.fi
Builds an international network for Finnish animation industry and carries out various promotional and cultural export activities.

**Audiovisual Producers Finland APFI**
info@apfi.fi
Represents content producers within the audiovisual industries in Finland.

**The Yellow Affair**
yellowaffair.com
A world sales agent and executive producer for films & TV series from around the world.

**AV-arkki**
av-arkki.fi
Distributes Finnish media art to festivals, events, museums and galleries within Finland and internationally.

**Tampere Film Agency**
tamperefilmagency.fi
Distributes Finnish short films to festivals and other events internationally. Operated by the Tampere Film Festival.

**Skábma – The Indigenous Peoples’ Film Centre**
samediggi.fi/skabma
A regional resource centre of the film and audiovisual industry operating under the Finnish Sámi Parliament in Inari.

**Actors in Scandinavia**
actorsinscandinavia.com
Agency based in Helsinki and Stockholm representing actors and directors internationally.

**Creative Europe / Media**
mediadesk.fi
Provides information concerning the funding opportunities and application procedures within the European Union’s Creative Europe / Media programme.

**AVEK – The Promotion Centre for Audiovisual Culture**
kopiosto.fi/avek
Funds independent audiovisual productions with a focus on documentary films, short films and short animations.

**National Audiovisual Institute KAVI**
kavi.fi
Houses the Finnish film, television and radio archives, promotes audiovisual culture and media education and supervises compliance with the Act on Audiovisual Programmes (age ratings).
Discover the latest Finnish feature, short and documentary films online: catalogue.ses.fi