

Latvian Film Industry



▪ National Film Centre of Latvia ▪ Riga Film Fund
▪ Film Producers Association of Latvia

A scenic view of a rocky coastline. In the foreground, there are large, flat, grey rock formations. A small, green tree stands on a grassy patch. In the background, the ocean stretches to the horizon under a cloudy sky. A few people are visible in the distance on the grassy area.

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Support for the Film Industry



National
Film Centre of Latvia



The National Film Centre of Latvia

The National Film Centre of Latvia (NFC) is a public institution under the auspices of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Latvia, and is responsible for the implementation of state cultural policy in the field of cinematography. The main functions of NFC include: the facilitation of Latvian film and film culture development; increasing the accessibility of Latvian film culture in Latvia; the promotion of Latvian film abroad; participation at international film events; and collaborating with international film funding bodies and policy organisations.

NFC is funded by the State budget and reports to the Minister of Culture. NFC grants public support to Latvian films and is keen on attracting film and television production to Latvia, stimulating inward investment, and creating employment opportunities for creative staff, technicians and support service companies.

NFC coordinates the **Latvian Co-Financing Fund** (a cash rebate scheme) for international film productions.



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Riga Film Fund

The Riga Film Fund (RFF) is a co-financing programme launched by the Riga City Council, and in 2010 it implemented the first cash rebate scheme in the Baltic states. RFF is open to Latvian and foreign co-productions planning to shoot in Latvia and its capital.

Since adopting this initiative supporting the filmmaking within its borders, Latvia has joined the ranks of other European countries who, through the implementation of favourable financial policies, ensure positive impact on the local economy as well as support the creative industries.

In addition to promoting Riga abroad, RFF aspires to facilitate cultural diversity and foreign film productions, as well as encourages the development of the national film industry by generating new cross-border projects and

boosting the experience and skill development of local professionals. When thinking about the future, the Riga City Council relies on a motto that has already proven to be accurate: Riga — the city of opportunities.

RFF is a member of both EUFCN (European Film Commission Network) and the Cine-Regio network of regional film funds in Europe.



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Film Producers Association of Latvia

Founded in 1993, the Film Producers Association of Latvia (FPA) joins and represents all of the major film and TV production companies in Latvia. It contributes to the elaboration and implementation of the cultural policy of the industry. The members of FPA participate in the Latvian Film Council — a consultative body at the Latvian Ministry of Culture — and act on behalf of the film producers at the commissions of experts formed by the National Film Centre of Latvia and the State Culture Capital Foundation. FPA also designates a representative to the jury panel of the National Film Award 'Lielais Kristaps'.

Since 2012, FPA, together with the National Film Centre of Latvia and the Riga City Council,

ensures the activities of Latvia's exhibition stand at the film markets of the Berlin International Film Festival and the Cannes Film Festival. FPA is a member of EDN (European Documentary Network) and FIAPF (International Federation of Film Producers Associations).



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North Star Film Alliance

Latvia is part of a cooperation initiative together with Estonia and Finland forming one direct link to film production solutions from a well-curated network and governmental organizations.

Led by the Estonian Film Institute in collaboration with the Riga City Council and the City of Helsinki, North Star Film Alliance acts as an information hub to connect you with versatile locations, established film industry professionals and effective incentive systems in the three Northern European countries – Estonia, Finland and Latvia.

Associate partners include National Film Centre of Latvia, the Film Services Producers Association of Latvia and Business Finland.



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Facts & Figures

Situated in north-eastern Europe with a coastline along the Baltic Sea, Latvia borders the two other Baltic states – Lithuania and Estonia – as well as Russia and Belarus.

■ **Political System:** Republic, parliamentary democracy. Member of the EU, Schengen Area and NATO.

■ **Currency:** Euro

■ **Time Zone:** GMT + 2 (winter), GMT + 3 (summer)

■ **Official Language:** Latvian

■ **Population:** 1.91 million

■ **Land Area:** 64,589 km² with 54% forested area, over 12,000 rivers, over 3,000 lakes, and the widest waterfall in Europe – Ventas Rumba.

■ **Coastline:** 500 km long; the open sea and the Gulf of Riga with wild shores, port cities, fishing villages, yacht docks, vast stretches of white sandy and rocky beaches, dunes, steep cliffs, sandstone outcrops, impressive rocks and caverns.

■ **Capital: Riga.** Founded in 1201. The largest city in the Baltics. Riga's medieval old town, with its 13th-century churches and the surrounding city centre, is designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Historic Centre of Riga has the finest concentration of Art Nouveau/Jugendstil architecture in the world.

■ **Riga International Airport:** The largest air traffic hub in the Baltic region offers close to 80 direct flight destinations in the winter season and 100 in the summer season.



Cash Rebate

- Latvia and its capital Riga provide great filmmaking opportunities characterised by accessibility, convenience, and the professionalism of the local film crews.
- Countless unexploited and diverse locations; rich architecture; stunning nature; four distinct seasons; cost-effective and reliable production;

ease and flexibility in regards to securing filming permits; convenient travel routes by air, land or sea; access to Eurimages funding.

- **A cash rebate of up to 50%** of expenditures can be received on eligible production costs if the following two incentive schemes (20% or 25% each) are combined:

Latvian Co-Financing Fund of the National Film Centre	Riga City Council co-financing programme Riga Film Fund
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	
• At least 50% of the production funding should be confirmed upon application. • Services provided by private individuals or legal entities registered in Latvia are involved in the production of the film. • Costs are incurred through a Latvian production company.	
• Feature-length fiction films, animation and documentaries. • Film shooting takes place fully or partly in Latvia. • Minimum total budget: EUR 711 436 for feature-length fiction or animation films; EUR 142 287 for documentaries.	• Feature-length fiction films or documentaries intended for theatrical or TV release. • Film shooting takes place fully or partly in Riga or any other location in Latvia. • Minimum total production budget: EUR 700 000.
ELIGIBLE EXPENSES	
Production-related artistic, administrative and personnel costs; transport, location and equipment rentals; procurement; construction services; accommodation, catering, security, etc.	

Open deadline for co-financing applications.
See more: www.nkc.gov.lv, www.filmlatvia.lv, www.filmrīga.lv

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Animation Studio Atom Art



Jacob, Mimmi and the Talking Dogs / Kafka in Love / Pigtail and Mr Sleeplessness

Animation Studio Atom Art works in two main directions – developing and producing quality children's content in different formats (TV specials, series and features) and producing artistic short films in various animation techniques.



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Animation

RECENTLY RELEASED

Jēkabs, Mimmi un runājošie suņi **Jacob, Mimmi and the Talking Dogs**

2019

Director: Edmunds Jansons

Will the unexpected friends – Jacob, Mimmi and the talking dogs – be brave enough to rescue the old, romantic neighborhood from its change into an impersonal glass skyscraper area?

Summer adventure story

COMING UP

Iemīlējies Kafka **Kafka in Love**

2022

Director: Zane Oborenko

The longing to meet Milena again leads Kafka into an imaginary journey to meet her. He finds himself on a borderline between memories, imaginations, visions and reality.

Drama

HALLMARK

Bize un Neģuļa **Pigtail and Mr Sleeplessness**

2017

Director: Edmunds Jansons

To win back her parents' attention, a girl Pigtail and her imaginary friend Mr. Sleeplessness come up with a clever plan to send her Baby Brother and Grandma to the Moon.

Drama / Comedy

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Baltic Pine Films

Fiction films / Documentaries /
TV projects / Film Production Service



RECENTLY RELEASED

L'immortale **The Immortal**

2019

Director: Marco D'Amore

Italian crime film, both a prequel and a sequel to the third season of the TV series Gomorrah.

Drama

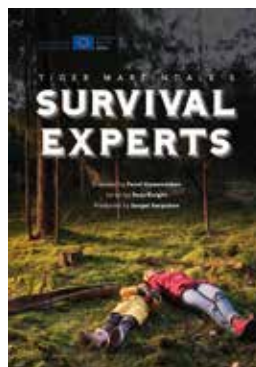
Fartblinda **Blinded**

2019

Director: Johan Lundin

Modern day TV drama touching on the subject of bank crisis in Sweden. Starring Matias Varela.

Drama



COMING UP

Tígera Martindeila izdzīvošanas skola **Tiger Martindale Survival Experts**

2022

Director: Pavel Gumennikov

Fast moving and inspiring story about two sisters adventure in the wilderness.

Coming-of age

The Immortal / Blinded / Tiger Martindale Survival Experts

The production and service company **Baltic Pine Films** (since 2008) has worked with Cattleya (L'Immortale), FLX (Blinded, TV series), WB (Justice League), BBC (Wallander) as well as Discovery, NBC, ZDF, C4 etc. The producer is a member of the EAVE network and Film Producers Association of Latvia.



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Cinevilla Films

Fiction films / TV projects /
Backlot 'Cinevilla' (150 ha)



Swingers / What We Don't Talk About / Filmtown Cinevilla

RECENTLY RELEASED

Swingersi Swingers

2020

Director: Andrejs Ēķis

A light comedy about building relationships – with passion and funny misunderstandings. All characters of this movie are in desire for flirt.

Comedy

COMING UP

Tas, par ko nerunā What We Don't Talk About

2021

Director: Andrejs Ēķis

Comedy about sex, love, relationships and taboo. In a multi story narrative, we peer behind the closed doors of a seemingly normal city.

Comedy

HALLMARK

Filmtown Cinevilla

A unique tourist attraction in Latvia with an extensive organization of events, filming and entertainment options. Filmtown Cinevilla Studio is the only open air cinema in the Baltic States and the largest in Northern Europe.

Cinevilla Films produces national movies and movies with high potential of distribution for international markets (f.e. UK, Norway, Poland, Czech Republic, Ukraine). Since 2018 Cinevilla Films is also providing service production for international companies, which are looking for filming in Latvia. In a very short time such famous TV formats like "Terra X" (for second German state TV channel ZDF), "Everyday stories: Life in..." (for German state TV channel WDR – Westdeutscher Rundfunk) were realized.



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Deep Sea Studios



The Wanderers / Rave / One Ticket Please

Deep Sea Studios is an arts collective and film production company based in Riga, Latvia. Founded by young artists and producers, it operates as a platform from which new talents work alongside experienced professionals to create new and enriching artistic experiences.



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Fiction films / Documentaries

RECENTLY RELEASED

Klejtāji The Wanderers

2020

Director: Matīss Kaža

Through the prism of three distinct characters, the 24-year-old director conveys an intimate and sensitive portrait of his own generation, wanderers looking for their place in the new and uncertain world.

Documentary

COMING UP

Rave

2021

Director: Matīss Kaža

Set in Riga's blossoming electronic dance music scene and based on true-life encounters, Rave is a techno-infused drama chronicling the relationships, experiences and problems of Latvian contemporary underground youth.

Drama

HALLMARK

One Ticket Please

2017

Director: Matīss Kaža

A 78-year-old Indian woman in New York is the world's most passionate theatergoer. Nicki Cochrane prides herself with a staunch dedication to the art. But at what point does passion turn into addiction?

Documentary

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Ego Media

Fiction films / Documentaries /
Film Production Service



The Sign Painter / Lame-o's / My Favorite War

The Riga-based production company **Ego Media** was established in 2005 by the experienced Latvian producer Guntis Trekteris to produce documentaries and fiction films for local and international audiences.



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RECENTLY RELEASED

Pilsēta pie upes **The Sign Painter**

2020

Director: Viestur Kairish

A Latvian tragicomedy about a young artist who bears witness to the dramatic political upheavals of the WWII era. As brutal regimes come and go, his country, his village, his people, and even his heart are swept up in the inexorable currents of history.

Tragicomedy

COMING UP

Tizlenes **Lame-o's**

2021

Director: Marta Elina Martinsonē

Three ninthgraders Sarmite, Sveta and Katrina are tired of being bullied and feeling like the losers of their class. They decide to change their lives and become the most popular girls in school in time for the ninth grade prom.

Comedy

HALLMARK

Mans mīļākais karš **My Favorite War**

2020

Director: Ilze Burkovska-Jacobsen

The personal story of the director, Ilze, growing up in Cold-War Latvia, USSR. It's a coming of age story, a personal road of escape from the brainwash of the mighty authoritarian regime. *My Favorite War* is an antiwar film, emphasizing the importance of the individual's freedom as a fundament of the democratic society.

Animated documentary

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FA Filma

Fiction films / Documentaries



RECENTLY RELEASED

Dotais lielums: mana māte
Solving My Mother

2017

Director: Ieva Ozoliņa

Dissatisfied with his personality, a young mathematician from a family of divorced academics decides to punish his mother for wrong upbringing. A touching yet humorous story about a mother and son and the creative and destructive power of motherly love.

Documentary

COMING UP

Saule spīd 24 stundas
24 hr Sunshine

2020

Director: Juris Poškus

Intellectual comedy about the mid life crisis and masculine ego.

Fiction / Comedy / Drama

Mana māte mana valsts
My Mother the State

2020

Director: Ieva Ozoliņa

A character driven humane story about a young woman's search for her past after being separated with her sister when she was adopted from an orphanage at the age of three.

Documentary



Solving My Mother / 24 Hr Sunshine / My Mother the State

The Latvian film production company **FA Filma** produces feature films and documentaries with high artistic merit. Their films have won numerous festival awards and are distributed internationally.



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Fenixfilm

Fiction films / Documentaries



The Wanderers / Where the Road Leads / Sisters

Fenixfilm is a full-service film production company with more than ten years of experience in producing documentary and fiction films. Many of its productions have successfully been exhibited in film festivals worldwide. Most of the company's films are female-driven stories.



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The Wanderers

2020

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Through the prism of three distinct characters, the 24-year-old director conveys an intimate and sensitive portrait of his own generation, wanderers looking for their place in the new and uncertain world.

Documentary

COMING UP

Kur vedīs ceļš

Where the Road Leads

2021

Director: Matīss Kaža

An aristocratic orphan and a peasant become unlikely allies after witnessing a murder on the grounds of the baron's manor.

Western

Māsas

Sisters

2022

Director: Linda Olte

Anastasia (13) and Diana (11) are two sisters living in a Latvian orphanage. When they get to know that an American family is ready to adopt them, Diana cannot wait to move to the States, while Anastasia is less excited about the idea of leaving her home. When their estranged biological mother Alla is released from prison, Anastasia does everything to establish a relationship with her, but Alla and her new boyfriend have other plans.

Family drama

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Film Angels Productions

Fiction films / Documentaries /
TV projects / Film Production Service



RECENTLY RELEASED

Homo Novus

2018

Director: Anna Viduleja

A romantic comedy of errors and intrigues, made after the novel of famous Latvian author A. Eglītis. The revival of Riga in the 1930ies – the art personalities, bohemia and the sharp humour of the author.

Comedy

HALLMARK

Krotkaya

A Gentle Creature

2017

Director: Sergei Loznitsa

Produced by SlotMachine (FR), the film was entirely shot in Latvia and was a contender for the Palme d'Or of the Cannes Film Festival.

Drama



Homo Novus / A Gentle Creature

Film Angels Productions is currently the biggest and most active film production house in the Baltic region. It produces local commercial projects and music videos, and services international projects; its affiliate, Film Angels Studio, produces and services features and documentaries.



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Film Studio Animācijas brigāde Ltd.



London Holidays / Pea Children / Hedgehogs and the City

Founded in 1996 by Arnolds Burovs, a director of theatre and puppet films, **Film Studio Animācijas Brigāde** has produced over 100 puppet films. It produces puppet films, puppet film series and commercials.



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Animation

RECENTLY RELEASED

Londonas brīvdienas **London Holidays**

2019

Director: Jānis Cimmermanis

The men of the "Rescue team" are finally on holiday and are traveling on their yellow boat through the English Channel. The satellite phone is ringing - London's famous clock "Big Ben" is broken and the "Rescue team" rushes to fix it.

Family comedy

Zirņa bērni **Pea Children**

2020

Director: Dace Rīdūze

The story tells how 8 pea children are interacting with the world and its other inhabitants in the context of natural cycles and laws. Characters are going through fun and musical adventures after they break out of their green pod house.

Children's film

HALLMARK

Eži un lielpilsēta **Hedgehogs and the City**

2013

Director: Ēvalds Lācis

When animals wake up from the winter sleep, they discover that their forest has turned into a city. Hedgehog has a brilliant idea how they all could survive. The decision is made by hedgehogs to get back their real home...

Comedy

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Film Studio DEVIŅI



Bille / Soviet Milk / Ruch and Norie

Established in 1991, **Film Studio DEVIŅI** is an active player in the film industry. With a mission that includes the telling of compelling stories that both entertain and educate audiences, the company focuses on the co-production of feature films and documentaries.



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Fiction films / Documentaries

RECENTLY RELEASED

Bille

2018

Director: Ināra Kolmane

An extraordinary and creative little girl attempts to comprehend the confusing adult world and prove her value despite the lack of appreciation and love from her mother.

Feature / Family drama

COMING UP

Mātes piens

Soviet Milk

2022

Director: Ināra Kolmane

Young, promising doctor destroyed by the Soviet regime deprives her daughter of breast milk. Later, the daughter assumes the role of mother in respect to her mother. Based on the bestseller by Nora Ikstena.

Feature / Female-led drama

HALLMARK

Ručs un Norie

Ruch and Norie

2015

Director: Ināra Kolmane

An emotionally fascinating and truly cognitive story of the unusual friendship between the Japanese student Norie and one of the oldest Suiti woman Ruch.

Documentary

Hargla Company



The First Bridge / In the Mirror / The Shoe

Hargla Company was founded in 1997 as its founders were eager to make their own productions. Almost all of its films have won festival awards. 2 were selected for the official programme of Cannes IFF, 2 – for Venice IFF, 2 – for Berlinale, 4 – for Locarno IFF, etc.



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Fiction films / Documentaries

RECENTLY RELEASED

Pirmais tilts The First Bridge

2020

Director: Laila Pakalniņa

Krāslava bridge is the first bridge over the river Daugava in the territory of Latvia – gate for the Daugava river from Belarus to Latvia. Every film is about time, but ours maybe a bit more than every as it was shot on Kodak Eastman Plus-X Negative Film 5231, acquired in the year 1997 and discovered intact in 2018. So we are dedicating THE FIRST BRIDGE to Film stock.

Documentary

COMING UP

Spoguļi In the Mirror

2020

Director: Laila Pakalniņa

A CrossFit trainer becomes the father of a baby girl, Snow White. Snow White's mother dies, and her father marries a young woman obsessed with CrossFit and herself.

Drama / Comedy

HALLMARK

Kurpe The Shoe

1998

Director: Laila Pakalniņa

The late 1950's. Every night, Soviet tractors comb the coast of Latvia looking for signs of anyone who could have infiltrated the Soviet border from the sea...

Drama / Comedy

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Jura Podnieka Studija

Fiction films / Documentaries /
Animation / TV projects



RECENTLY RELEASED

Jelgava '94

2019

Director: Jānis Ābele

A portrait of the generation, which experienced cultural chaos of the former communist states during the 1990ies. This is a touching story about us as youngsters, when everybody is against the whole world and tries not to become 'one of them'.

Drama

COMING UP

Dziesma par dzelzs aizkaru Iron Song

2022/23

Director: Agnes Kocsis

In the 1970ies, art was associated with the freedom of creative thought, but not everywhere. This story is about what happened to the young American writer Nancy who fell in love with the Latvian composer Arthur while visiting the USSR.

Drama



Jelgava '94 / Iron Song

Jura Podnieka Studija started its work as an independent entity in 1989. The company has its own sound studio, which provides excellent post-production services using the latest technologies.



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K Films



New Year's Eve Taxi 2
In The Land that Sings
Loss



K Films is a filmmakers' partnership established in 2009. Its vision is to create films with no boundaries in terms of country, genre, language or budget. The company connects the cinema traditions of the West and the East.



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Fiction films / TV projects

RECENTLY RELEASED

Jaungada takso metr 2
New Year's Eve Taxi 2

2019
Director: Māris Martinsons

One year has passed and characters of "New Year's Eve Taxi" are counting hours until the New Year's Eve once again whilst all of them have experienced lot of changes.

Romantic comedy

COMING UP

Zeme, kas dzied
In The Land that Sings

2023
Director: Māris Martinsons

Leaders of the Riga Latvian Society decide to hold the 1st Latvian Song Celebration back in 1873. This national tradition is included in UNESCO's list of Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity and led to Latvia's independence.

Period drama

HALLMARK

Nereikalingi žmones
Loss

2008
Director: Māris Martinsons

A mentally ill young woman Valda convinces herself that a boy growing up in an orphanage is her child. This film portrays the beauty and tragedy of the human heart.

Drama

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Kants Komunikācijas / Film Studio KINOLATS



Wounded Rider / Constructions / Version Vera

Kants Komunikācijas was founded in 1997 by the journalist, author, director, editor and producer Ilona Bruver (Hamburger Filmbuero/ FRG 1980-1995). The company has produced more than 70 TV projects, 7 features, and some short films.



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Creative documentaries / TV projects

RECENTLY RELEASED

Ievainotais jātnieks **Wounded Rider**

2017

Director: Ilona Bruver

Based on facts from the life of the sculptor Kārlis Zāle and the construction of the Freedom Monument in Latvia in the 1930ies, providing insight into the political and social scene of the age and presenting outstanding figures in the culture and art with the ideals of the time.

Creative documentary

Konstrukcijas **Constructions**

2019

Director: Ilona Bruver

Documentary portrait of the famous latvian poet and literary translator Uldis Bērziņš.

Creative documentary

HALLMARK

Versija Vera **Version Vera**

2010

Director: Ilona Bruver

The film tells about Vera Mukhina, one of the most outstanding sculptors of the 20th century. Her monumental 53 m high sculptural ensemble Worker and Peasant Woman becomes a sensation of the 1937 World Achievement exhibition in Paris.

Creative documentary

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Blizzard of Souls

KULTFILMA produces large scale film projects involving not only governmental funding, but also sponsorship, media partnership, PR and advertising agencies. Latest feature *Blizzard of Souls* is the No.1 Box Office Sensation in Latvia in over 30 years.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Dvēseļu putenis
Blizzard of Souls

2019/2020 (int. version)
Director: Dzintars Dreiberģs

Based on a true story novel, which was forbidden in the USSR, the film follows a coming-of-age story of a sixteen-year-old Arturs. After the loss of his mother, he enlists to fight in WWI with dreams of becoming a hero.

War / Drama / History / Action

COMING UP

Brāļu karš
Brothers in War

2024
Director: Dzintars Dreiberģs

The true story of two brothers fighting on opposing sides during World War 2. When the brothers face each other, who on the right side?

War / Drama / History / Action



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LUNOHOD Animation Studio



Electrician's Day / Winter Landscape With Skaters / Wings and Oars

LUNOHOD Animation Studio was established in 2007. It specializes in the production of animated short films, many of which have received awards at various film festivals around the world.



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Animation

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Elektriķa diena **Electrician's Day**

2018

Director: Vladimir Leschiov

While working near a psychiatric clinic, an electrician is struck by an accident. Because of the electric shock, he ends up in this hospital, where he gets accustomed to the everyday life of its patients.

Animation / Drama / Comedy

COMING UP

Ziemas ainava ar slidotājiem **Winter Landscape With Skaters**

2020

Director: Vladimir Leschiov

When you desperately miss it, the long-forgotten childhood vehemence may come back...

Animation / Drama

HALLMARK

Spārni un airi **Wings and Oars**

2009

Director: Vladimir Leschiov

A former pilot looks back over his life – the Earth, the Sky, the Woman – everything that took place on the journey from an air strip to an abandoned boat house.

Animation / Drama

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Marana Production

Fiction films / Documentaries /
Film Production Service



Manny / The Pit / Tango

Marana Productions is a full-service company that has produced commercials, music videos, shorts, documentaries and feature films. In recent years, it focuses on international co-production film projects, bringing together Latvia's best film industry professionals.



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Manny

2020
Director: Dace Pūce

Maya takes the mobile assistance of Manny to type out her autobiographical novel. As she pours her heart out to her new confidant and assistant, Manny falls in love with her. Co-production with Sonal Sehgal Films (India).

Sci-Fi / Drama

COMING UP

Bedre The Pit

2021
Director: Dace Pūce

When ten years old boy ends up teaching a neighbor girl a cruel lesson, he shunned by the small town community and forms an alliance with a transgender man to learn what it truly means to be different.

Drama

HALLMARK

Tango

2016
Director: Dace Pūce

Helen suspects that her beloved son has a girlfriend what he is trying to hide. She is terrified of the possibility that her son could leave her for his girlfriend. Dainis invites her to a party in the hope that they both will be able to become friends, but due to misunderstanding a disaster strikes.

Short / Drama

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MF Production

Fiction films / TV Projects /
Film Production Service



Nearby / Impressions

MF Production is are the production studio where honesty meets straight forwardness, we cut the hypocrisy and get down to business. We're the match to those seeking for service production and film co-production.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Nearby Blakus

2019

Director: Alise Zarina

Luize and Kaspars meet to celebrate Midsummer's Eve. Their shared trip turns into a strange, funny and complicated journey through a relationship over the course of three years.

Drama / Comedy

COMING UP

Impressions Nospiedumi

2022

Director: Alise Zarina

Liva, an art curator, is trying her hardest to save her marriage. When Liva's estranged father ends up in hospital, she is forced to return to a relationship which has fallen apart a long time ago.

Drama / Comedy



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Mistrus Media

Fiction films / Documentaries /
TV projects / Film Production Service



My Father the Spy / The Mover

Operating since 2000, the company **Mistrus Media** has established itself as a leading Latvian film studio. The company works on international co-productions and provides quality production services, including professional crews to help achieve perfection in the execution of your project.



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Spiegs, kurš mans tēvs **My Father the Spy**

2019

Director: Jaak Kilmi, Gints Grūbe

As a young Soviet student in 1978, Ieva could not have predicted that a holiday visit to her father, Imants Lešinskis, then working in the Soviet mission at the United Nations in New York City, would irreversibly split her life in two.

Documentary

COMING UP

Pig'n'Pah

2021

Director: Aik Karapetian

Lost in the backwoods of Latvia, on the edges of a mythical forest, Sam is a long way from his Belgian home. He is searching for runaway, Lagzdins, but instead finds himself enslaved at a pig farm. Fortunately, a talking piglet gains Sam's confidence and shows him the way to freedom and a macabre happy ever after.

Dark comedy

HALLMARK

Tēvs Nakts **The Mover**

2018

Director: Dāvis Simanis

To save one life is to save the world. A true story about the Rigan Žanis Lipke, who hid dozens of Jewish people during the war.

Feature drama

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Nida Filma



What Silent Gerda Knows / Gulf Stream Under the Iceberg

Nida Filma was founded by the film director Yevgeny Pashkevich in 2000. The company focuses on multicultural co-productions – both fiction films and documentaries.

Fiction films / Documentaries

COMING UP

Ko zina Klusā Gerda **What Silent Gerda Knows**

2020

Director: Yevgeny Pashkevich

The film is set in a cultural and ethnographic reserve in Latvia, where the material world and atmosphere of the 1930s has been recreated as fully as possible. Upon entering the retreat, guests are required to leave behind all the accessories of modern life.

Psychological comedy

HALLMARK

Golfa straume zem ledus kalna **Gulf Stream Under the Iceberg**

2012

Director: Yevgeny Pashkevich

The myth of Lilith represents the eternal drama in the relations of Man and Mother Nature, insatiable in her desire to give birth and destroy. This fairy tale is based on ancient Oriental legends, the Talmud and the medieval books of Cabala. Inspired by the works of Anatole France.

Latvian entry for the Academy Awards in the category of Best Foreign Language Film.

Melodrama / Fantasy



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Platforma filma

Fiction films / Documentaries / TV projects



Accidental Santa / The Pagan King

Platforma filma is the most successful commercial movie studio in Latvia. The mission of the company is to create entertaining and contemporary intellectual property, and to engage local audiences with global values.

COMING UP

Circenīša Ziemassvētki Accidental Santa

2022

Director: Aigars Grauba

Bruno is doing time in prison for a bank robbery. On Christmas day he receives a letter from his son, which makes him want to break out of prison immediately. His escape plan and his accomplice are in place, but a "Christmas miracle" turns everything upside down.

Family comedy

HALLMARK

Nameja gredzens The Pagan King

2018

Director: Aigars Grauba

On his deathbed, the reigning king bestows power to an unexpected heir who must find strength within himself to unite his people against the violent crusades.

Action / Legend



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Rija Films

Fiction films / Documentaries /
Animation / Distribution / Sales



Lotte and the Lost Dragons / Thelma's Perfect Birthday / In the Fog

Founded in 1995, **Rija Films** has taken part in more than 50 international co-production and co-operation projects. The company provides services and does dubbing for the local market in collaboration with Deluxe, Paramount, Sony, DreamWorks, 20th Century Fox International, Universal, etc. Rija Films has its own sound studio and stage.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Lotte ja kadunud lohed **Lotte and the Lost Dragons**

2019

Directors: Janno Poldma, Heiki Ernits

The scientists Karl the Raccoon and Victor the Fish arrive in Gadgetville. Lotte and her little sister Roosie decide to go find the mythical fire-breathing dragons that these scientists are looking for.

Animated adventure

COMING UP

Ideālā dzimēnīte **Thelma's Perfect Birthday**

2021

Directors: Reinis Kalnaellis

Penguin girl Thelma goes in search of Birthday to make sure that she will turn five years old.

Animation fantasy

HALLMARK

V Tumane (В тумане) **In the Fog**

2012

Directors: Sergei Loznitsa

"Eyes and ears are poor witnesses to those men, whose souls are of barbarian nature" (Heraclitus)

Drama



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Riverbed



Nothing Can Stop Us Now / The Lesson

Riverbed focuses on auteur-driven storytelling with a strong emphasis on powerful imagery. Its films have shown success in film festivals as well as in the Latvian box-office.



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Fiction films

RECENTLY RELEASED

Nekas mūs neapturēs **Nothing Can Stop Us Now**

2019

Director: Andris Gauja

Under-appreciated by his wife, a charismatic music producer forces his wife, his teenage daughter and his lover to live together as a family, under one roof.

Drama / Romance

COMING UP

Lucavsalašs rekviēms **Isle of Dreams. A Requiem**

2021

Director: Elza Gauja

Lucavsala, a green island in the middle of Riga, has become a battleground between two social groups: eco-friendly idealists and pragmatic businessmen.

Documentary

HALLMARK

Izlaiduma gads **The Lesson**

2014

Director: Andris Gauja

An idealistic teacher tries to befriend the class she is mentoring, but she goes too far and the border between the teacher and the students begins to blur and dissolve.

Drama

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SKUBA films



Touched by Ocean / My friend Mr. DICE / Brainstorm: In-between Shores

Established in 2011, **SKUBA films** works with highly regarded directors, screenwriters, cinematographers and composers. The team of the company, including journalists Sandijs Semjonovs and Gundars Rēders, are notably experienced in the making of documentary film.



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Documentaries / TV projects

RECENTLY RELEASED

Okeāna saviļņotie **Touched by Ocean**

2017

Directors: Sandijs Semjonovs, Laura Rožkalne

Kārlis Bardelis and Gints Barkovskis (Latvia), have a plan to row from Luderitz, Namibia, to Rio das Ostras, Brazil. They have no rowing experience, a second-hand rowboat and a big dream.

Documentary

Mans draugs Misters Kauliņš **My friend Mr. DICE**

2019

Director: Kaspars Roga

Director travels to Sierra Leone to find out what really happened ten years ago, when his friend Mr. Dice ran away after his bank went bankrupt, losing all the investors' money, including director's.

Documentary

HALLMARK

Prāta Vētra: Starp krastiem **Brainstorm: In-between Shores**

2015

Directors: Sandijs Semjonovs,
Gundars Rēders

A story about four friends, four schoolmates, who founded the famous Latvian rock / pop-rock band Brainstorm. 25 years of perseverance and capability to fall and rise again.

Documentary / Music

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Studija Dokumentālists



Lumberjacks / Latvian Coyote / Documentarian

Over the last five years, the production company **Studija Dokumentālists** has presented its films at 56 film festivals around the globe, including New York, New Caledonia, and Moscow. All of its documentaries have been nominated for the 'Lielais Kristaps' national film award.



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Documentaries / TV projects

RECENTLY RELEASED

Zāģeri Lumberjacks

2017

Directors: Ivars Zviedris, Andris Kalnozols

Trees are at the core of Latvian exports, but profits from them come at a price. There are two sides to everything or, as a Latvian proverb has it: every tree has two ends. The forest meanwhile slowly turns into a clear-cut.

Documentary

Valkātājs Latvian Coyote

2019

Director: Ivars Zviedris

An ongoing "game" is on the border of Russia and European Union. It is called 'The Smugglers'. An absurd process with no winners and each participant is driven by their desperation.

Documentary

HALLMARK

Dokumentālists Documentarian

2012

Directors: Ivars Zviedris, Inese Kļava

Inta is a brusque and crusty woman who lives alone on the edge of a picturesque marsh. One day her solitude is intruded upon by the arrival of a documentary filmmaker.

Documentary

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Studio CENTRUMS



Eight Stars / BREAKTHROUGH. Konstantins Raudive / Little Bird's Diary

Founded in 2004, **Studio CENTRUMS** is a film production company that focuses on documentaries. The company has also been active in film distribution and other projects (computer games, a virtual museum, educational films and commercials).



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Documentaries

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Astoņas zvaigznes **Eight Stars**

2017

Director: Askolds Saulītis

This film tells about the most striking and tragic phenomenon during the development of the self-awareness of the Latvian nation – the Latvian Riflemen.

Historical documentary

COMING UP

IZLAUŠANĀS. Neredzamais **kļūst dzirdams** **BREAKTHROUGH. Konstantins Raudive**

2021

Director: Andis Mizišs

Konstantīns Raudive (1909–1974) was a Latvian writer and intellectual, husband of the great writer Zenta Mauriņa. He was interested in parapsychology, especially the possibility of afterlife.

Documentary

HALLMARK

Čīža acīm **Little Bird's Diary**

2007

Director: Edmunds Jansons

A heartwarming story, based on the picture diary by Irīna Piļke. Over the years, eighty-year-old woman, nicknamed 'the Little Bird', had depicted the events of her life as sketches in diaries.

Documentary animation

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Studio F.O.R.M.A.



Mystery of the Old Garden / Grandpa More Dangerous Than Computer

Studio F.O.R.M.A is a Riga-based independent production company founded in 1993 by producer Gatis Upmalis. The company primarily focuses on the development, production and co-production of quality fiction feature films, especially for children and families.



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Fiction films / TV projects

RECENTLY RELEASED

Vecā dārza noslēpums **Mystery of the Old Garden**

2019

Directors: Olafs Okonovs, Gunita Groša

The adventure of a foursome in discovering and safeguarding the mystery of an old garden.

Children / Adventure / Fantasy

HALLMARK

Vectēvs, kas bīstamāks par datoru **Grandpa More Dangerous Than Computer**

2017

Director: Varis Brasla

8 year-old Oskars' summer vacation in the countryside begins as a seemingly never-ending struggle with his Grandpa.
Top 2 admissions in Latvia.

Family film

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Studio Locomotive

Fiction films / Documentaries /
Animation / Film Restoration



Before the Day Breaks / Christmas in the Jungle / Exiled

Founded in 1995, **Studio Locomotive** has become one of the most creative and productive film studios in the Baltic countries. Nearly all of its productions have premiered at recognised international film festivals. Latvia and Lithuania have submitted films co-produced by this company for the Academy Award.



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Saule brauca debesīs **Before the Day Breaks**

2018

Director: Roze Stiebra

During a joyous hubbub of dancing maskers, the Sun's and the Moon's baby girl is kidnapped. The distraught parents beg humans to retrieve her, so a journey begins...

Animation

COMING UP

Ziemassvētki džungļos **Christmas in the Jungle**

2020

Director: Jaak Kilmi

Moving from Latvia to exotic Indonesia has proven to be quite a challenge for Paula's (10) family. She realises that they can be saved by a Christmas miracle, but there's no winter in Indonesia...

Family adventure

HALLMARK

Pelnu sanatorija **Exiled**

2016

Director: Dāvis Simanis

The final year of WWI. A German army surgeon Ulrich is sent to inspect a remote convalescent home for shell-shocked patients. This turned-out sanctuary will have to make its last stand against the approaching madness of the war.

Drama / History / War

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Foundation Sibīrijas bērni



Kurtis Frīdrihsons / Ilmārs Blumbergs / God's Lost Sparrows

The **Foundation Sibīrijas Bērni** was established in 2001 with the initial aim of documenting the memories of the politically repressed and deported through interviews, films and books. Gradually, the thematic range of documentaries has broadened to include cultural and historical figures from various eras.



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Documentaries

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Kurtis Frīdrihsons

2018

Director: Dzintra Geka

A personal story by a Latvian writer Gundega Repše about Kurtis Frīdrihsons – artist, spiritual leader, outsider, prisoner and nonconformist in the twists and turns of the Latvian history.

Documentary

Ilmārs Blumbergs

2019

Director: Dzintra Geka

A story about the mystery of the creation of oneself, the various aspects of loneliness, the meridians of consciousness, and the scale of the artist's personality.

Documentary

HALLMARK

Dieva putniņi God's Lost Sparrows

2015

Director: Dzintra Geka

Towards the end of the World War II, nearly one million people from Eastern Europe fled the Soviet regime. Latvians, who were known as 'deepees' or as Little Birds of God, tried to establish 'Little Latvia' at the displaced persons camps.

Documentary

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Tanka Film Studio

Fiction films / Documentaries



RECENTLY RELEASED

1906

2019

Director: Gatis Šmits

An odd couple of idealistic outcasts embark on a romantic journey into the deadly world of the 1905 revolution in Riga.

Crime / Drama

COMING UP

JRT. Pēdējā sezona

New Riga Theater. The Last Season

2020

Director: Gatis Šmits

A documentary about an acclaimed theater troupe in Latvia during the times of change.

Documentary

HALLMARK

Mammu, Es Tevi Mīlu

Mother, I Love you

2014

Director: Jānis Nords

12-year-old Raimonds starts a spiral of lies, which spins out of control. An exciting story about the healing power of truth.

Drama / Adventure



1906 / New Riga Theater. The Last Season / Mother, I Love you

Founded in 2003, **Tanka Film Studio** has created a number of award-winning feature films, including 'Mother, I Love You' (a winner at the Berlinale and the LA Film Festival), which went on to become Latvia's submission for the 2014 Foreign Language Oscar.



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Tasse Film



Dogs Don't Wear Pants / Lovable / Oleg

Founded in 2011, **Tasse Film** is led by producer Aija Berzina. Company's main focus is to produce high quality author-driven fiction films both from established directors as well as discovering new talents, and bring them to international market.



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Fiction films / Film Production Service

RECENTLY RELEASED

Suņi nevalkā bikses **Dogs Don't Wear Pants**

2019

Director: J.-P. Valkeapää

Juha has lost his wife in a drowning accident. Years after he still feels numb and unable to connect with people. Meeting Mona, a dominatrix, changes everything. Dogs Don't Wear Pants is a darkly humorous story of loss, love, and the sweet pain of being.

Drama

COMING UP

Mīlulis **Lovable**

2021

Director: Staņislavs Tokalovs

A cheating boyfriend finds himself saddled with a six-year-old child after her mother dies.

Drama

HALLMARK

Oļegs **Oleg**

2019

Director: Juris Kursietis

Butcher Oleg leaves for Brussels in order to earn a decent salary at a local meat factory, yet his hopeful life turns into a desperately hopeless one, when he gets under the control of Polish criminal Andrzej.

Drama

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Tritone Studio

Fiction films / Documentaries / Animation



Leftovers & Leftovers / Troubled Minds / Baltic Tribes – Last Pagans of Europe

Tritone Studio is a film production, post-production and animation studio created and run by artists since 2009. Company offers co-producing opportunities for various artistic and weird film and animation projects.

RECENTLY RELEASED

Leftovers & Leftovers

2018

Director: Ratis Ābele

After the Great Blackout a Man seeks out his past. By confronting his feminine and masculine alter egos he strives to restore his identity but doomsday clock is ticking louder and louder.

Experimental

COMING UP

Nemierīgie Prāti Troubled Minds

2020

Directors: Ratis Ābele, Lauris Ābele

#blackcube, #artterroract, #trip,
#bipolardissorder, #dramedy,
#psychedelicexperiences, #LSD, #EGO,
#europeanwilderness, #saamishamanism,
#shadow, #innerdemons, #psilocybin
#brothers

Dramedy

HALLMARK

Baltu Ciltis | Eiropas pēdējie pagāni Baltic Tribes | Last Pagans of Europe

2018

Directors: Ratis Ābele, Lauris Ābele

13th century Danish spy Lars enters the tribal and unknown lands of the Baltic people, where he takes part in religious rites, cruel forays, gets high during the summer solstice, becomes the slave of Couronians and even fights the crusaders.

Drama documentary



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Vertov



Putin's Witnesses / Gorbachew / Under the Sun

Vertov founded in 1996 was one of the largest independent documentary film studios in Russia. Its catalogue contains more than 200 films and hundreds of TV programs. Since 2014 Vertov studio is registered in Latvia. More than 40 TV programs produced annually. Documentaries produced after 2014 participated in hundreds of film festivals and received more than 50 prizes. Putin's Witnesses was nominated for European Film Awards 2019.



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Documentaries

RECENTLY RELEASED

Putina liecinieki **Putin's Witnesses**

2018

Director: Vitaly Manskay

With this film, Vitaly Manskay gives a strictly documentary testimony of the operation "Successor", as a result of which Russia ended up with the President who still rules the country today - Vladimir Putin.

Documentary

COMING UP

Gorbačovs **Gorbachew (working title)**

2021

Director: Vitaly Manskay

A documentary summing-up of one's life, given by the man who changed the world in the 20th century. The protagonist of the film is Mikhail Gorbachev, the first and last President of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics or, as the U.S. President Ronald Reagan called it, "The Evil Empire".

Documentary

HALLMARK

Saules staros **Under the Sun**

2015

Director: Vitaly Manskay

A film about the ideal life in an ideal country. We can see how much effort the North Korean people have to undertake to make this ideal world work.

Documentary

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The Jump / The Rossellinis / Bridges of Time



Fiction films / Documentaries /
Animation / TV projects

RECENTLY RELEASED

The Jump

2020

Director: Giedrė Žickytė

Fifty years after dramatically defecting from the Soviet Union to the USA, a renowned Lithuanian asylum seeker relives his extraordinary journey in a film that explores the nature of the American Dream and what happens when it becomes a reality.

Documentary / Politics / Adventure

COMING UP

The Rossellinis

2020

Director: Alessandro Rossellini

A laid-back journey in search of one of the world's most fascinating families, observed and examined from within its most intimate relationships, where the truth and depth of a memoir meet the ironic tone of an indie comedy.

Documentary / Society / Adventure

HALLMARK

Laika Tilti

Bridges of Time

2018

Directors: Audrius Stonys, Kristīne Briede

When the French pioneers of cinéma vérité set out to achieve a new realism, the Baltics witnessed the birth of a generation of documentarists who favoured a more romantic view of the world around them. A cinematic poem about cinema poets.

Documentary / Film history / Art



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White Picture



Barbarians / All My Friends Will Soon Be Dead

White Picture is a film production company based in Riga, Latvia. The company is founded by Alise Ģelze – she has been active as a film producer since 2006 and have produced both features and short films, which have been premiered at festivals like Cannes, Berlinale, Rotterdam IFF, Karlovy Vary IFF, Pusan IFF, etc. Alise Gelze is a member of the European Film Academy and Film Producers Association of Latvia, a graduate of EAVE and ACE Producers and has co-produced films with countries like France, Belgium, Finland, Poland, Russia, etc.



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Fiction films

COMING UP

Barbari Barbarians

2022

Director: Juris Kursietis

When world famous organist Anna learns about her husband's involvement in a large-scale corruption scandal, her carefully built family life is crumbling. Will she be able to live with this new image of her husband?

Drama

Visi mani draugi drīz būs miruši All My Friends Will Soon Be Dead

2023/2024

Director: Armands Začs

A coming of age story about a group of millennials, who start to face their self-destructive tendencies, as they each head straight into their 30year crisis.

Drama

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Woodpecker Pictures

Fiction films / Documentaries / TV projects



Despair / Grandfather's Father

Woodpecker Pictures is a company that unites keen and competitive professionals in the audiovisual field – directors, producers and journalists. Having previously focused their work on documentaries and commercials, the studio has now started working on feature films as well.



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RECENTLY RELEASED

Izmisums

Despair

2020

Director: Kārlis Lesiņš

Incapable of dealing with crisis in his personal life, Gatis moves back to his childhood home, where he begins seeing his dead parents, who try to help their son.

Drama / Comedy / Mystery

HALLMARK

Vectēva Tēvs

Grandfather's Father

2016

Director: Kārlis Lesiņš

A young man and his curmudgeonly grandfather are going 1,800 km to northern Russia in an old Zhiguli car, hoping to find the grave of the director's great-grandfather, who was deported.

Road movie / Documentary

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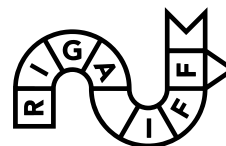


International Film Festivals

Riga International Film Festival

Launched in 2014, the Riga International Film festival (RIGA IFF) has since developed a diverse and multifaceted film programme as well as a growing industry section, networking platforms, and activities for students and families. RIGA IFF takes place annually in October, while various satellite events and engagement in distribution activity take place throughout the year.

RIGA IFF features several international competition programmes, the foremost being an annual multi-genre feature film competition in which an international jury selects the winner of the RIGA IFF Award. The first international film market in Riga was held during the 2016 RIGA IFF.



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Baltic Sea Forum for Documentaries

Baltic Sea Docs (BSD) is an annual international event for professional documentary filmmakers and general audiences alike. Every year, BSD gathers over 100 professional filmmakers from the Baltic Sea region, as well as from Eastern and Central Europe. In addition to the public pitching session, BSD holds preparatory workshops and seminars. Apart from the professional activities, a programme featuring the highest quality documentaries is presented to the general public in Riga and Latvia's largest cities.

BSD is organised by the National Film Centre of Latvia in collaboration with the European Documentary Network, an international organisation of professional filmmakers.



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International Festival Baltic Pearl

Founded in 1993, Baltic Pearl is one of the oldest film festivals in the Baltic states and takes place annually in September. It introduces its audience in Riga to films that have been acknowledged by the most significant international film forums.

Great names, everlasting themes, fine style — the selection criteria remain unchanged, offering thought-provoking innovation, restored masterpieces, and harmonious interaction between cinema, music and fashion. The festival has featured guests such as Alain Delon, Andrei Konchalovsky, Peter Greenaway, Gina Lollobrigida, Catherine Deneuve, Ornella Muti, Klaus Maria Brandauer, Andrey Zvyagitnsev, Thierry Frémaux, and many more.



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Riga International Short Film Festival 2ANNAS

Since its first edition in 1996, the Riga International Short Film Festival 2ANNAS has gradually turned into one of the leading short and mid-length film festivals in the Baltic states.

This independent film and audio-visual art event seeks out and introduces its audience to innovative modes of audio-visual communication, with the aim of promoting European and World Cinema in Latvia and examining the evolution and trends of Baltic film art from a global perspective. Next to its ground-breaking content of competitions, programmes, and focus on a specific theme each year, the festival is famous for its wild parties in unusual locations, free-spirited atmosphere, and creativeness.



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