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Founded in 2005, Java Films rapidly established itself as one of Europe's leading independent documentary distributors, providing production support and distribution to both finished films and projects in development.

In 2013, it opened a separate department - Java Features - to handle its growing theatrical catalogue. Its films have won or been nominated for prestigious prizes like the International Emmys, BAFTAs or Goyas and premiered at festivals like Cannes, Sundance or Tribeca.

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New Films





BREXIT: THE BACKSTAGE OF A DIVORCE

For the first time in European history, a country is withdrawing from

the European Union, bringing with it crucial repercussions for the future of the United Kingdom and millions of Europeans. But a large proportion of the UK population feels deceived and the country remains deeply divided on the issue. How did it come to this? This film profiles the complex and rarely cordial relationship between the United Kingdom and Europe over the past 50 years.

2019 - 70 & 52 mins - Eng, Fr



LUXURY: BEHIND THE MIRROR

With their beautiful shop fronts and finely crafted goods, brands like Gucci,

Max Mara and Prada are seen as being the height of luxury, conjuring images of master craftsmen finely crafting each item. But - as this investigation reveals - behind the glamorous exterior, all that glitters is not gold. From Haute Couture at Paris Fashion Week to Chinese and Italian backroom sweatshops, we investigate the hidden side of luxury.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



BREATHLESS

Following the deaths of his father and many others from his village, filmmaker Daniel Lambo sets off on a

passionate quest to find the truth about the deadly asbestos industry. His search takes him to the largest asbestos waste dump in India and unveils a cold-blooded industry still endangering the lives of workers and consumers around the world. A gripping story about the fight of individuals against a booming asbestos industry.

2019 - 75 & 52 mins - Eng



A film by Stefano Liberti & Enrico Parenti

Food production has increasingly become a huge business for a handful of giant corporations. *Soyalism* follows the industrial production chain of pork and the related soybean monoculture, from China to Brazil through the United States and Mozambique.

This eye-opening documentary describes the enormous concentration of power in the hands of these Western and Chinese companies and the impact this is having on the food we consume. Hundreds of thousands of small producers have gone out of business and entire landscapes have been permanently transformed. The system has been exported across the world.

From waste-lagoons in North Carolina to soybean monoculture in the Amazon rainforest, is this demand for soy bean jeopardizing the environmental balance of the planet?

2018 - 65 & 52 mins - Eng



After the arrests of the Mafia godfathers during the early 2000s, Italy hoped that it had finally put an end to organized crime. Instead, some of the notorious mafia old guard have been replaced by a young generation of mobsters, known as the 'Baby Mafia'.

Led by reckless adolescents known as the 'Baby Bosses', the majority of these gangs can be found in Naples, home to hundreds of Camorra clans. Drug trafficking, thefts, extortion and racketeering run rife throughout the city. Yet unlike the generations of mafia that went before them, these youngsters do not respect the old rules. The slightest provocation can lead to carnage.

We meet these young Mafia leaders and go on patrol with the famous Falchi police unit, tasked with stopping them.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



THE TRIAL OF RATKO MLADIC

On the 22nd of November 2017, the Bosnian Serb General, Ratko Mladic, was found

guilty of genocide and crimes against humanity in the Hague and sentenced to life in prison. Filmed over five years with unprecedented access to the prosecution, the defence, witnesses who came forward to give evidence and Mladic's family members, this film tells an epic story of justice, accountability and a country trying to escape from its bloody past.

2018 - 100 & 90 mins - Eng

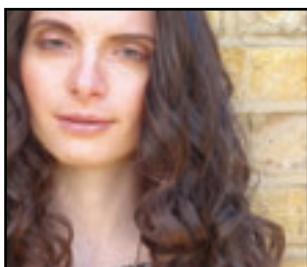


CAT PEOPLE

One of the most enduring cultural stereotypes is the cliché of the crazy cat lady. But the relationship between

cats and humans is like no other. This film explores how humans coexist with cats by profiling the eclectic lives of devoted cat lovers. Meet Holly, who tries to overcome her allergy to cats by rubbing her face with kittens. Then there's 10 year old Kathy, who's on a mission to neuter the stray cats in her neighbourhood....

2018 - 60 mins - Eng

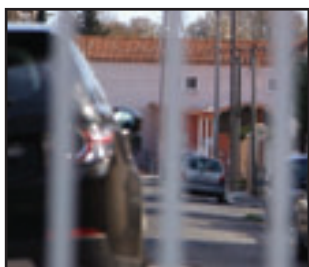


STRANGER THAN FICTION: THE NANNY KILLERS

The murder of au-pair Sophie Lionnet by her employers made headlines all over the

world. From the horrible circumstances of her death, to the obsession of her killer with a pop-star ex-boyfriend and their crazy delusions of celebrity paedophile rings: it was a case that seemed too unbelievable to be true. We hear from Sophie's family and friends and attempt to answer the question that will forever haunt her grieving parents: how could this happen?

2018 - 54 mins - Fr, Eng



GATES AND GHETTOS: RESIDENCES OF THE FUTURE?

It's the new housing trend. Entire private neighbourhoods,

all under extreme security and banned to non-residents. It used to be that these gated communities were home only to super-rich Americans but now they're appearing across the globe and are shaping new residences of the future. But as more and more people take refuge behind walls, will the remaining public space be turned into a giant ghetto?

2018 - 53 mins - Eng, Fr

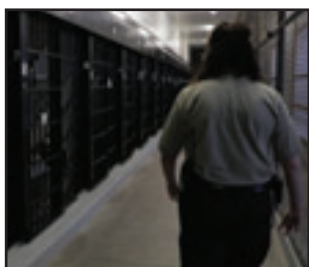


USA: LOCKING UP CHILDREN

America is the only nation in the world that has not signed the International Convention on the Rights of the

Child. Signing would mean relaxing legislation on the confinement of minors. 70,000 minors are currently in American prisons, partly as a result of the judicialization of US society. Even in schools, police officers — not supervisors — now patrol the hallways. As a result, school-based misconduct has become a crime, sending students straight into the criminal system.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



USA: LIFE IN A HIGH SECURITY PRISON

In the United States, there are more than two million people behind bars. That's

more than anywhere else in the world. 90% of prisoners serve time in one of the 1,700 State penitentiaries. One of them, the Anamosa State Penitentiary, granted us exceptional, round-the-clock access. Here, three quarters of the prisoners have been convicted of violent crimes and serve an average of 27 years. How is the prison managed?

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



Oxycontin. Codeine. Fentanyl. All prescription drugs to which countless patients have become addicted. As America battles an opioid crisis that sees 170 citizens die everyday, lawyers and prosecutors are trying to bring an end to Big Pharma's impunity. How did it happen?

Midwest City, Oklahoma. Dr Regan Nichols is on trial charged with five murders for over-prescribing opioids. Her lawyer insists that she is being made a scape-goat. But others believe that doctors like Nichols bear a large responsibility for the crisis now engulfing the country.

During the 90s, strong, opium-based pain killers like Oxycontin were rebranded and aggressively marketed for all types of pain. By the time the dangers of these pills became apparent and regulators started restricting access, it was too late. Denied the prescription drugs they had become dependent on, addicts turned to harder drugs like heroin.

2019 - 70 & 52 mins - Eng, Fr



From sex scandals with global repercussions to promoting a national chastity movement, American views on sex veer from one extreme to the other. We travel across the country to find out more.

Silicon Valley executive, Nathalie, doesn't have time to look for a soul mate. So she's hired a relationship coach for \$30,000 to do it for her. As well as hand-picking candidates, her coach discreetly monitors her dates, feeding her instructions through an earpiece on how to behave.

For many, sex is guided by their religion. Nathalie and Matthew chose to remain virgin until marriage. But in some cities, Evangelical Christianity is making access to abortion virtually impossible. Gynaecologist, Willie Parker, regularly receives death threats for providing abortions in the southern states. Meanwhile, Adam, Brooke and Eve are poly-lovers, raising their four children together.

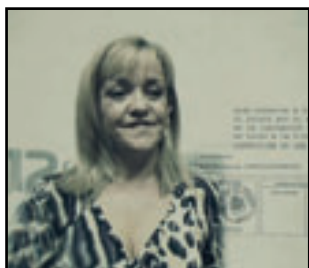
2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



USA: BEING POOR IN THE WORLD'S RICHEST COUNTRY

43 million people in the United States now live below the poverty line, twice as many as it was fifty years ago. 1.5 million children are homeless — that's three times more than during the Great Depression of the 1930s. Entire families are being tossed from one place to another to work unstable jobs that barely allow them to survive. In the poorest neighbourhoods, associations offer small wooden huts to those who no longer have shelter.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



DEATH IN LEON: CLOSED CASE

Leon, Spain. 12th of May 2014. Isabel Carrasco, president of the provincial government of

Leon, is murdered in broad daylight. Feared and hated for her autocratic rule, many people wanted her dead. Three women were quickly arrested in what appeared to be an inexplicable private vendetta. But as the investigation developed, a deeper story of power, deceit and betrayal emerged.

2018 - 79 mins - Eng, Sp



MEET THE MENNONITES

Like the Amish, the ultra-conservative Christian community of the Mennonites reject modern society

and live a life frozen in the 19th century. Nearly all Mennonites live in self-sufficient colonies, embracing isolation, which helps protect them from the temptations of the modern world. Now, for the first time, one of these communities has agreed to open their doors to our cameras. An unprecedented look at the world of the Mennonites.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr

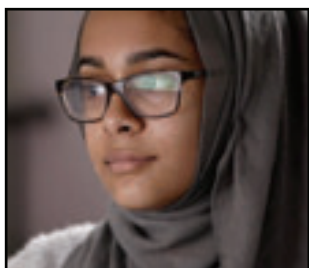


GREEN WARRIORS: PARAGUAY'S POISONED FIELDS

Since 2001, five million hectares of forests have

been destroyed in Paraguay to make way for soybean plantations. Soy fields now surround many villages and their residents are being poisoned by pesticides. In 2014, Adela, 6 months old, and Adélaïde, 3 years old, both died within a few hours, after being exposed to pesticide spreadings. Working with scientists, the *Green Warriors* team investigates the genetic damage to children exposed to these pesticides.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



14 & MUSLIM

When hijabs provoke insults and mosques are under attack, what does it mean to be 14 and Muslim?

This documentary

follows young teens as they make the transition from a private Islamic elementary school to public secondary schools and take their first tentative steps towards adulthood. Up-close and personal, *14 & Muslim* looks at how ideas of diversity and tolerance play out in the classroom.

2018 - 44 mins - Eng



CHOCOLATE'S DARKEST SECRETS

In 2001, the lucrative chocolate industry, promised to put an end to child labour in cocoa

plantations. 18 years later, has that promise been kept? The Ivory Coast, the world's largest cacao producer, made a real effort to eradicate child labour. But in isolated areas of the forest, Paul Moreira discovered child slaves, forced to work in plantations, their incomes often seized by traffickers. These child slaves are separated from their parents and sometimes resold onto other traffickers.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



CHINA'S BIG PROBLEM: THE RISE OF OBESITY

According to a recent study, China has the largest number of obese children in the world. 450 million Chinese people are overweight and even babies are being born weighing more than six kilos. A phenomenon never before seen in the country's history.

Expansion and economic growth have changed the lifestyles of Chinese people. Authorities are tackling this epidemic with prison camps for overweight people run by soldiers. Television shows, smartphone applications, doctors and nutritionists are encouraging the entire nation to get into shape.

Weight loss has become a national issue and founded a new trend: youtubers who gorge themselves live on the Internet in front of millions of spectators. How has China progressed from a starving country at the beginning of the 21st century to having one of the highest obesity rates in the world?

PLEASURE AND PAIN



THE SCIENCE OF LOVE

Love can change our lives - in the truest sense of the word. Recent studies prove that love is more than just an emotion. It is a drive that transforms our brain and our body profoundly.

Researchers in New York have found that the need for love is deeply rooted in our brain stem, together with the need for food. And it really is possible to die of a broken heart. The symptoms of 'Broken Heart Syndrome', caused by extreme emotional stress, are the same as for a heart attack.

Pleasure and pain: The Science of Love is an exciting visual journey through the world of love from birth to death. Astonishing facts are presented clearly, with answers to all the questions we have always asked ourselves: Why do lovers have palpitations? Does love come from the brain or from the heart? And why does heartbreak hurt so much?

2018 - 52 mins - Eng, Ger

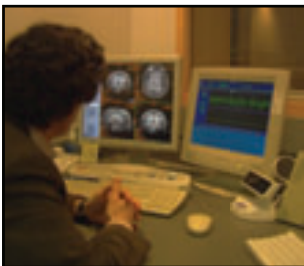


IMMORTALS?

The idea of postponing or even reversing the ageing process has always fascinated humanity. Some claim that immortality

will be possible as little as thirty years from now - but will it just be for the rich? We visited research laboratories working on this objective and interviewed the world's top researchers in the field. We also visited the clinic, which, for \$8,000, will conduct a blood transfusion with blood from a young person. Do treatments like this really work?

2018 - 50 mins - Eng, Cat

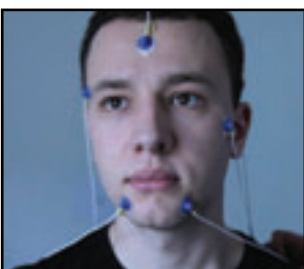


THE SCIENCE OF HAPPINESS

With the latest understanding of neuroscience, researchers have begun to break

the code for happiness. They help form the vanguard of a burgeoning field in the social sciences called positive psychology. The research of these scientists show that not only is happiness an achievable state, it can even be quantifiable. It seems that happiness really is something that can be learnt.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng

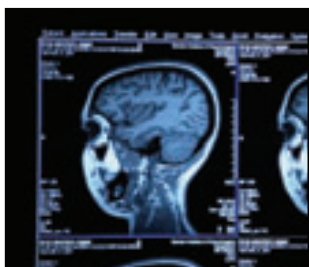


BRAIN SECRETS

There is a revolution underway in neuroscience – and it's centered around the incredible concept of brain plasticity, or the ability for the brain

to change itself. The latest secret of the brain is that you can direct that change to improve your life. Dr. Michael Merzenich, renowned researcher and grandfather of neuroplasticity, expands on how the brain works, how it can change throughout your life and how you can use this information to target and improve your focus and memory.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng

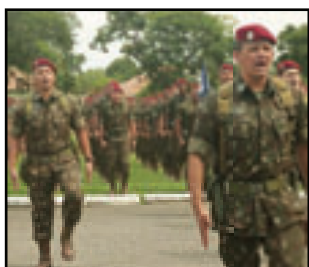


THE MIGRAINE SOLUTION

Migranes are one of the least funded, least understood, and most confounding chronic

conditions. This film unravels the mystery and debunks the myths, looking toward a world without migraines. Featuring interviews with the leading researchers in headache medicine, neuroscientists and doctors, as well as migraine sufferers, we learn the latest in cutting-edge migraine treatment, as well as what still needs to be accomplished in future research.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng



BRAZIL: BEEF, BIBLES AND BULLETS

The election of President Jair Bolsonaro's was made possible by support

from three powerful groups - large landowners, evangelical clerics and the military. Nicknamed the "BBBs": Beef, Bibles and Bullets, the BBBs are in vehement opposition to abortion rights and gay marriage. They do, however, support the right to bear firearms and the destruction of the Amazonian rainforest for the benefit of agrobusiness.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



FAVELA FRONTLINES

Through personal stories from people on both sides of the conflict and powerful footage, *Favela*

Frontlines takes you straight to the heart of the battle between police and drug traffickers in Brazil. On average, one policeman is killed every two days. There are 60,000 homicides every year. Interspersed with the stories are interviews reflecting on Brazil's public safety policy of the past three decades, the impact of social inequality and the legacy of slavery.

2018 - 102 & 53 mins - Eng, Sp

YUZU PRODUCTIONS & ARTE FRANCE present



WEED, GREED, AND LEGALIZATION

a film by XAVIER DELEU & STEPHANIE LORIDON

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For decades, marijuana was a key part of the counter-culture movement, dubbed ‘probably the most dangerous drug’ by President Reagan and detested by the establishment. But as the movement to ‘normalize’ it grows and more and more states chose regulation over prohibition, what happens when weed goes corporate? What impact does it have on violence, public health and state finances? Are the key beneficiaries big corporations?

In Holland, the law protects consumers but not the sellers, who operate in a grey legal area. Legally-grown marijuana in America is now more competitive than the marijuana grown in Mexico and sold on black market. Petty dealers are being forced to sell harder products.

Filmed in the United States, Canada, Uruguay, Mexico and Europe, this film profiles the experience of pioneer countries. Did legalization fulfill all the expectations it raised?

2019 - 90 & 52 mins - Eng, Fr



They're bankers, traders or investment funds executives. Frauds, lies, cons: they forgot all about morality to make money. They impoverished countries, drove millions of workers into unemployment, triggered the rise in extremism. But who are they?

This is a story about money, power and impunity. Ten years after the crisis, tongues finally loosen. We hear from the banksters themselves, their relatives, the former "insiders" they rub shoulders with, to those who were in the eye of the storm. Through personal stories, the film explores the mechanisms that led them to cross the red line. It investigates what goes through their minds, how they ended up where they are, and how the system used some of them.

It also poses two specific questions: After the 2008 crisis, were the real culprits condemned? And could this happen again?

2018 - 74 & 52 mins - Eng, Fr



THE FAREWELL CASE: THE KGB DOUBLE AGENT

It's a story that even the best spy novelists couldn't have invented, complete

with double agents and the CIA battling the KGB. In the midst of the cold war, a KGB mole passed on thousands of highly confidential documents to the French secret services, who, in turn, passed them onto the CIA. They were used to destabilize the Russians and ultimately led to the fall of the Eastern bloc. How did Vladimir Vetrov, a modest KGB agent, become Farewell, the biggest mole of the Cold War?

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr

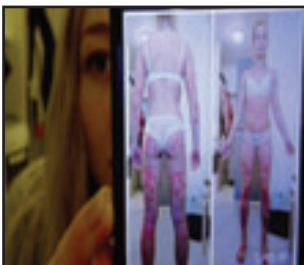


A PLASTIC SURGERY: COCA COLA'S HIDDEN SECRETS

Every second, another ten tons of plastic is produced. 10% of all

plastic produced ends up in the oceans, leading to predictions that, by 2050, there will be more plastic than fish in the sea. Faced with this global scourge, more and more businesses are promising to recycle, including the Coca-Cola Company, a group that sells 4000 plastic bottles around the world every second. Can we depend on the promises made by these multinationals?

2018 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



UNDER THE SKIN

One in three people suffer from a skin disorder like eczema, acne or psoriasis.

While many will

recover, for some, it is a lifelong condition. Tonje's skin grows seven times faster than normal. She has to vacuum her bed every morning. Vilde is covered with vitiligo that makes her almost completely white. Sanna struggles with psoriasis that affects her self-confidence and social life. How do they feel about being different?

2019 - 52 mins - Eng



REBUILDING MOSUL

On July 10th 2017, Mosul, the second largest city in Iraq, was liberated from ISIS after nine months

of fighting. It was most significant urban battle since the World War II. For a year, we followed the Iraqis' efforts to rebuild their city. Through key figures we document the difficulties faced by the population of Mosul, the laxity of the Iraqi administration, the concerns of the international community and the danger of ISIS' return.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



DARAYA: A LIBRARY UNDER BOMBS

At the heart of the Syrian civil war, a group of activists created an

underground library in the besieged outskirts of Damascus. Despite ceaseless bombing, they not only saved books from the rubble, but created a secret library, which quickly became a safe haven for peace, freedom and democracy: a special experience that they filmed and documented meticulously. A story of hope and survival.

2018 - 64 & 52 mins - Eng, Fr



82 NAMES: SYRIA PLEASE DON'T FORGET US

82 Names traces the journey of Mansour Omari, a survivor of

torture and imprisonment in Syria. As Omari seeks to rebuild his life in exile and visits sites in Germany that memorialize the victims of the Holocaust, he reflects on how to bring attention to the brutal regime he escape and counter extremist ideology in the future.

2018 - 48 mins - Eng



GENERATION RAQQA

by Paul Moreira and Pedro Da Fonseca



Inspired by the mythology of the International Brigades of the Spanish Civil War, over 300 foreign volunteers chose to give up their comfortable lives and go fight ISIS in Raqqa. We filmed them there, fly-on-the-wall style, fighting, talking, laughing, being attacked by suicide bombs and sniper fire. We were with them until Raqqa was freed. And then we followed them back home - changed forever.

“I gave my life to help the people of Northern Syria, to stop the terrorists, but my government is more interested in trying to charge me with terrorism instead”, complains former British Army soldier, Kevin. Josh, 22 from California, also finds the homecoming hard. “I miss Syria badly. War begot meaning to my life.”

Made by acclaimed journalists Paul Moreira and Pedro Da Fonseca, this is the untold story of the young Westerners who left everything behind to fight ISIS.

2019 - 90 & 52 mins - Eng, Fr

The background of the poster is a composite image. The top half shows a dark, industrial smokestack emitting a thick plume of white smoke against a cloudy, blue-grey sky. The bottom half shows a dense, hazy cityscape with various buildings and structures, appearing to be shrouded in a thick layer of smoke or fog. The overall tone is somber and industrial.

BREAKPOINT

a counter history of progress

A FILM BY JEAN-ROBERT VIALLET

The idea that we are living in the anthropocene, a new geological age, and that humans have permanently changed the planet is still being debated. But were developments like the coal and oil age, which have had such a large impact on the environment, really inevitable? Could other paths have been taken and what would our world look like now if different decisions had been made?

The birth of the coal age at the beginning of the nineteenth century was originally seen as an environmental solution, protecting England's forests. It ushered in the industrial revolution and is largely responsible for the environmental turmoil of today.

Mixing footage and propaganda images with an original soundtrack, *Breakpoint* looks back at 200 years of development to provide an alternative view of history.

2019 - 98 & 2 x 52 mins - Eng, Fr

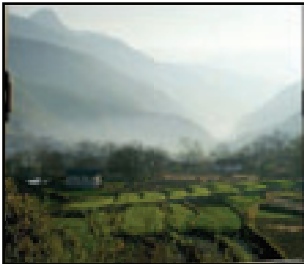


PALESTINE'S STOLEN IMAGES

A film-diary about the secret history of the links between the national liberation movements in Palestine

and Latin America. The film combines direct filming unfolding events of the war of liberation in the last 18 years with never-before-seen footage recovered from the Cuban Film archives, shot by the PLO Film Unit and previously considered lost. From the early contacts made by Che Guevara in Gaza, to the guerrilla camps in Colombia, this film connects the dots of a previously hidden history.

2018 - 115 mins - Eng, Sp, Fr



CHINA: THE NEW SILK ROAD

Chinese president Xi Jinping has named it the 'project of the century.' Since 2013 China has invested

billions into bringing the 'Middle Kingdom' to the forefront of global economics and international politics. What China has baptised 'The New Silk Road' allows a pair of trainers to be transported by train from China to France in less than two weeks. But they also act as a vehicle for a wave of Chinese expansionism across the world. We investigate.

2019 - 52 mins - Fr



MALAYSIA: PARADISE UNDER THREAT

Malaysia is the dream destination for tourists seeking luxury and exoticism.

It's also paradise for moderate Muslims, who live peaceful with neighbours of other religions. But in recent years, fundamentalists have been gaining ground. In some regions, Sharia law has made a comeback. The Islamic police are watching, corporal punishment has been restored, women are all veiled and Koranic schools are multiplying.

2019 - 52 mins - Fr



WORLDS OF URSULA K LE GUIN

This film explores the remarkable life and legacy of the late feminist author Ursula

K. Le Guin. Best known for groundbreaking science fiction and fantasy works such as 'A Wizard of Earthsea', Le Guin defiantly held her ground on the margin of "respectable" literature until the sheer excellence of her work, at long last, forced the mainstream to embrace fantastic literature. Her fascinating story has never before been captured on film.

2018 - 63 & 52 mins - Eng



GUATAMALA: MEET THE MARAS

Guatemala is one of the most violent states in the world.

The ultra-violent

Maras manage drug trafficking, prostitution or racketeering in the country and spread terror among the population. After several weeks of negotiation, we gained access to some of these gangs. In the favela of Vilanueva, Pedro is at the head of Barrio 18, one of the most powerful maras in Guatemala.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



CIUDAD JUAREZ: CARTEL WARS

In the past ten years, more than 200,000 people have been murdered in Mexico. Most of the victims

came from the streets of Ciudad Juarez, near the US border, where the rival La Línea and Sinaloa cartels fight over control of the cocaine market to America. For several months, journalist Alejandro Delval infiltrated the La Línea cartel, following the cocaine trail from Ciudad Juarez to New York. Filmed at high risk, this report gets to the heart of the Mexican-US drugs trade.

2018 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



THE EARTH'S FURIES

SERIES TWO

Raging megafires that burn for months. Super eruptions with the potential of a Hiroshima bomb exploding every two or three minutes. Asteroid strikes so violent they wiped out entire species. Devastating tsunamis, tornadoes and earthquakes....

Following the launch of the first season in 2017, series two is now ready, exploring the science behind natural disasters in search of a deeper understanding. Through animated graphics, interviews with scientists and eyewitnesses, and stunning images, it brings these spectacularly destructive forces of nature to life. Episodes include:

- * Cyclones
- * Floods
- * Blizzards
- * Tsunamis
- * Desertification
- * Mudslides

2018 - 12 x 52 mins - Eng, Fr

SUNKEN ELDORADO

THE NEW UNDERWATER GOLD RUSH?

For thousands of years, gold has been the most treasured and coveted of all metals. But extraction sites are dwindling and what little gold that remains is harder and harder to mine. However, there is a place where you can still find vast quantities of gold.

Underwater archaeology has revealed that three million shipwrecks litter the ocean floor, 3,500 of which sunk with cargoes of 'precious metals' onboard. Billions of dollars worth of gold, just sitting there, at the bottom of the sea. With today's technology, this gold is in reach.

But how can this sunken treasure be recovered? And who has the right to do so? The nation whose territorial waters host the wreck? The country plundered years ago for its resources? Or indeed humanity, as advertised by UNESCO? Between diplomatic battles and great buccaneers, this international investigation uncovers a new gold rush.

2019 - 52 mins - Eng, Fr



THE SWISS ALPS: LUXURY LIVING AND PARTIES

We delve into two of the most infamous winter resorts in the world: Gstaad and Ischgl. With lavish chalets worth more than 10 million euros and luxury boutiques on every street corner, Gstaad has become one of the world's most glamorous and exclusive resorts. For those more party inclined, Ischgl in Austria is the resort that never sleeps, known for having more bars and nightclubs than ski lifts!

2019 - 55 mins - Fr



EXTREME CONSTRUCTIONS: THUNDER BOAT

With the appearance of a "James Bond" ship, the Thunder Boat is one of the largest vessels of France's Marine Nationale. Kitted out with the latest equipment and able to operate in a range of situations, this ship of the future acts simultaneously as an aircraft base, a commandment post and a floating hospital. It has the ability to shelter troops, helicopters and vehicles. We discover its many capabilities. Part of a five episode series.

2018 - 5 x 52 mins - Eng, Fr



EXTREME CONSTRUCTIONS: GRAND PARIS EXPRESS

With its 200 kilometres of automatic lines and 68 stations, the Grand Paris Express is the largest urban project in Europe. Innovation is crucial to its construction in the management of masses of excavated material and in the stations. This means machines capable of digging in highly built-up areas to install stations more than 50 metres below the ground. It is this impressive technological challenge that foreshadows the transport of tomorrow.

2018 - 5 x 52 mins - Eng, Fr



All around the world, specialised units of commandos and rangers are fighting the enemies of the environment. Their mission is to break up gangs, often genuine mafias with henchmen, who shamelessly and illegally exploit the planet's resources. From toxic waste dumping in Italy to illegal fishing in Indonesia, the stories of these units is the story of protecting our environment.

Commissioned for Planète, this action-packed series follows team members both in their daily lives and on the field.

Episodes include:

- * Italy
- * French Guyana
- * South Africa
- * Cameroon
- * Columbia
- * Indonesia

2019 - 6 x 52 mins - Eng, Fr



Films in Development



OFFICE 39: FEEDING THE BEAST



How is it possible that North Korea, one of the poorest countries on earth finances a nuclear weapons programme large enough to challenge the USA?

The answer: Bureau 39, a legendary organization nestled deep inside the government apparatus. Its aim is to procure foreign exchange by any means possible to provide Kim Jong-un's regime with money.

Printing dollars, dealing drugs, smuggling arms, insurance fraud, human trafficking - nothing is too unscrupulous for North Korea's money makers.

Years of research have given us unique access to insiders. They reveal the most spectacular cases and breath-taking tricks of how North Korea has been circumventing UN sanctions to finance its nuclear arsenal for decades.

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LORDS OF WATER

They call it 'blue gold'. Around the world, demand for water is exploding. By 2050, at least one in four people will live in a country suffering from chronic water shortages - creating ideal conditions for a new market....

Goldman Sachs, HSBC, UBS, Allianz, Deutsche Bank, BNP. Banks, investment funds and hedge funds are all rushing to invest billions of euros in anything related to water. A real monopoly of water has begun.

From California to Australia, from New York to London via Marseille, we investigate the financialization of water. New power relations are being established and access to water is being threatened.

It's a battle taking place on many fronts: ideological, political, environmental, and of course, economic. The fate of the nearly 10 billion inhabitants around the world depends on its outcome.

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Riders of Destiny follows two young child jockeys and their families in a sport where your health and future prospects depend on the outcome of every race...

On the the remote island of Sumbawa, Indonesia, the market for tiny jockeys is huge. The successful ones can earn enough money to feed their families for an entire generation. But while their ancestors began at 10, today's child jockeys often start at three. Firman, 5, is just starting out as a child jockey. He falls off his horse almost every day as he tries to reach speeds of 70 km/h – barefoot and without a saddle or any protective clothing.

Sila, 7 years old, is one of the most in-demand jockeys of all the young riders. His parents no longer have to work because the money he earns takes care of the whole family.

But in this traditional sport, accidents are frequent. Many children are crippled. Some die.

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THE WORLD ACCORDING TO **amazon**



LITTLE
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It's a global empire run by the world's richest man. Amazon, the world's top online retailer, has revolutionised the global economy and the flow of goods. How does this hidden empire work? Who is Jeff Bezos, its iconoclastic boss? What is the essence of this company as it prepares to completely transform capitalism in the twenty-first century?

We speak to Amazon employees, from workers to executives, who describe a model that they have experienced from the inside. A model establishing employees as robots, with every movement they take structured on a mathematical pattern to be as productive as possible. We also investigate how Amazon plans to become the intermediary of all our purchases, eliminating the concept of different territories. How they store data storage and their striking power. And the philosophy of the company and that of its leader, the libertarian Jeff Bezos, obsessed with the future...

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The Marriage Project



Encourage the patients of a mental hospital to form relationships with each other, get married and live as a family. That's the bold new idea of the head of Ehsan House in Southern Tehran. For the past 20 years, its 480 patients have lived in separate male or female units with no hope of ever leaving or of having meaningful sexual relationships.

But in 2017, the head of the centre secured the money to build a new unit of marital facilities. Despite strong opposition, he was convinced the patients would benefit from being in a couple.

As a selection committee begins evaluating patients, hidden affections come to the surface. Finally the team selects two patients to form the first couple. Are these two patients capable of having a relationship that leads to marriage? What do their families think? And what about the patients who weren't selected but still crave human relationships?



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**LITTLE
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STORY**

A hoodie, pants, a belt. That's what's left of 'Number 387', one of 800 migrants who perished off the Libyan coast. On the military base in Sicily, Cristina Cattaneo leads the identification operation. Patiently, she inspects every garment. Who was this young man? How can his name be restored and family found?

From an examination of bones, 3D reconstruction and cross-checking DNA, Cristina and her team will do everything possible to find the "treasure of identity". In Greece, Pavlos Pavlidis has been working identifying anonymous migrants' bodies for 17 years. Like Cristina, he is one of the representatives of the ICRC for the identification of Mediterranean victims.

In the coming months, they will make every possible effort to restore a name to each shipwrecked number. Who are they? Who are we?

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