



FESTIVAL DE CANNES 2010

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UNTIL SATURDAY MAY 22th, 5 p.m.

The 2010 Ecumenical Jury awards its **Prize** to

***Of gods & men* by Xavier Beauvois**

France, 2010

This movie of great artistic value benefits from a remarkable group of actors and follows the daily rhythm of work and liturgy. It depicts the sacrifice of the monks of Tibhirine (Algeria 1996) choosing to maintain their peaceful presence despite surrounding violence.

The deep humanity of the monks, their respect for Islam and their generosity towards their village neighbours make the reason for our choice.

And **two Commendations** to

***Another Year* by Mike Leigh**

England, 2010

Along the rhythm of the seasons, friendship and tenderness bring together ordinary people dealing with the joys and pains of everyday life.

Clear directing and great acting combine to express authentic relations.

It's up to everyone to be responsible of his own life.

***Poetry* by Lee Chang-Dong**

South Korea, 2010

Through the charm of poetry, Mija, a decent grandmother weakened by disease and culpability, opens up to a contemplative perception of the world.

The 2010 Jury:

Michèle DEBIDOUR , President, France
Sanne E. GRUNNET, Denmark
Julia HELMKE, Germany

Jos HOREMANS, Belgium
Tomas STRAKA, Slovakia
Jacques VERCUEIL, France