ECUMENICAL JURY PRIZE



CANNES FILM FESTIVAL 2008

Since 1974, the Ecumenical Jury, a partner of the Cannes Film Festival, awards a Prize to a film in the official competition. The Jury has a particular perspective on the films. It honours works of artistic quality which witness to the power of film to reveal the mysterious depths of human beings and the complexity of our society.

The Ecumenical Jury draws attention to those works of quality which touch the spiritual dimension of our existence, expressing the values of justice, human dignity, respect for the environment, peace and solidarity. These values, shared in all cultures, are also those of the Christian Gospel.



THE LATEST PRIZES AWARDED IN CANNES:

2007: The Edge of Heaven by Fatih Akin 2002: The Man without a Past by Aki Kaurismaki

2006: Babel by Alejandro González Iñárritu 2001: Kandahar by Mosen Makhmalbaf

2005 : Hidden by Michael Haneke 2000 : Eureka by Aoyama Shinji

2004: Motorcycle Diaries by Walter Salles 1999: All about my Mother by Pedro Almodovar

2003: At Five in the Afternoon 1998: Eternity and one Day by Theo Angelopoulos

THE 2008 JURY:

René Aucourt (France), President Margrit Frölich (Germany)

Lukas Jirsa (Czech Republic)

Alyda Faber (Canada)

by Samira Makhmalbaf

Marie-Thérèse Kreidy (Lebanon)

Joël Baumann (France)

The Ecumenical Jury is composed of 6 members, nominated and renewed each year by the two international Christian film organisations, Signis for the Catholics and Interfilm for the Protestants. The Jury members are both film professionals and committed Christians. At Cannes, as in other festivals (Berlin, Locarno, Karlovy Vary, Montréal...), the Ecumenical Jury shows an openness to cultural, social or religious diversity.

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