



FESTIVAL DE CANNES 2012

The 2012 Ecumenical Jury awards its **Prize** to

Jagten (The Hunt)
by Thomas Vinterberg

Danemark

In "The Hunt", Lucas, an inherently good man becomes the target of a community torn apart by lies, manipulation and betrayal; where he continually fights for his lost friendship's, forgiveness and reputation.

Thomas Vinterberg's direction gives us a strong statement : showing us a new way of looking at modern society where men and children are concerned; things are not always what they seem !

And a **Commendation** to

Beasts of the Southern Wild
by Benh Zeitlin

United States

Beasts of the Southern Wild, a brilliant film debut from Benh Zeitlin illustrates the fundamental issues of freedom, human life and parental love with boundless emotion and true originality.

The authenticity of the acting and cinematography are present from beginning to end. A true ode to the meaning of life, love and hope !

The 2012 Jury:

Charles Martig, Président, Switzerland
Jean-Luc Gadreau, France
Marianne Smiley, Canada

Magali Van Reeth, France
Kodjo Ayetan, Togo
Bojidar Manov, Bulgaria