PLANET LENS



International Nature Photography and Film Festival

15th – 18th May 2025 | Veszprém

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How Can I Take Part in the Festival?

All festival events are free to attend, subject to venue capacity. Attendance at the opening film and certain side programmes requires registration, which can be completed on the festival's official website:

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Greetings





"The world is as delicate and as complicated as a spider's web. If you touch one thread, you send shudders running through all the other threads," wrote Gerald Durrell, whose entertaining books continue to inspire many to explore the living world and uncover its marvellous secrets. Calling himself

an 'amateur naturalist,' Durrell, during his adventurous animal rescue journeys, witnessed firsthand the impact of human presence on the environment. He later added a bitter note to his spiderweb metaphor: "We are not just touching the web, we are tearing great holes in it."

At Planet Lens International Nature Photography and Film Festival, the screenings and exhibitions offer glimpses into unique situations and stories, told from a variety of perspectives. The camera lens zooms in on something special. And yet, behind the roots of a tree, the flow of a river or the movement of tiny creatures barely visible to the naked eye, the larger picture always begins to emerge: that on our majestic planet, everything is connected to everything else. Our atmosphere is shared. Our waters merge. A single touch sends tremors through all the threads. The natural environment is intertwined with the cultures of those who live within it. Plant diversity is linked to the number of pollinators. The shrinking of the wilderness is tied to the survival chances of its native species. Human activity is inseparable from climate change.

For a few days, Veszprém will become our eyes and our conscience: sharpening our vision, awakening our sense of responsibility. The works showcased at Planet Lens aim to both delight and unsettle. Through their lenses, we witness the irreplaceable treasures of our world – and the recklessness that puts them at risk. The human-inflicted scars on the landscape and the possible paths to healing. The wrongs we have committed against the Earth, but also the good we can still do for it.

If, while sitting in the screening room, wandering among the images or taking part in the accompanying events, we not only look but truly see, the experience can help us preserve this extraordinary and intricate world of ours in all its complex beauty. So that our touch as humans might not destroy and tear, but honour and heal.

János Áder

Chair of the Board of Trustees, Blue Planet Climate Protection Foundation



I am delighted to extend my greetings on the occasion of the jubilee edition of Planet Lens International Nature Photography and Film Festival.

One of the greatest challenges of our century is climate change, the effects of which we are all already

feeling firsthand. It is our shared responsibility to leave behind a liveable planet for future generations.

We speak less often about the sustainability of culture, even though its importance – and the challenges it faces – are equally significant. The renewed Planet Lens International Nature Photography and Film Festival places biodiversity at its core. The diversity of species is essential for the maintenance and functioning of healthy ecosystems. It is vital that we speak about this as much as possible – through photography and film, among other means.

I am convinced that nature filmmakers and the festivals that showcase their work play a major role in bringing environmental awareness and the urgent issues of sustainability to the widest possible audience.

It is a particular pleasure that, alongside Hungarian works, this year's festival will also feature entries from numerous countries – from Spain to Kenya to India. This highlights the fact that nature conservation is a global concern. It affects and involves us all, as we face challenges greater than any we have seen before.

I firmly believe that everyone can contribute to preserving our liveable environment within their own field. Just like culture, our natural surroundings must be cared for and protected: if we neglect them, they will be lost.

At the National Film Institute, we are proud to be paying special attention to the needs of sustainable filmmaking through our new initiatives. Over the past year, we have developed a grant and criteria system to support sustainable film production. We have made recommendations to film producers that can significantly advance the greening of the motion picture industry.

I am confident that, through our joint efforts, we can safeguard our home – Earth. I wish you meaningful entertainment and exciting discoveries!

Csaba Káel

Chair of the Board, National Film Institute



A festival is always more than just a series of events: it is a community, a dialogue, an inspiration. This is especially true today, when the combined power of nature conservation, film and photography can guide us towards a better future.

In recent years, Veszprém and the Bakony-Balaton region have become home to a number of outstanding cultural initiatives, thanks to the European Capital of Culture programme. Events like the Hungarian Motion Picture Festival and Moz.Go are clear examples of the region's openness to creating value, embracing new forms of shared experience and celebrating cultural diversity.

It is a great honour that the International Nature and Environmental Film Festival, formerly held for many years in Gödöllő, has now moved to Veszprém for its 10th anniversary under the new name Planet Lens. For four days, the city will become a meeting point for film, photography, environmental protection and sustainability.

Nature films and photographs have a unique ability to bring the beauty and fragility of our planet closer to everyone. The stories told through the cinema screen and captured through the camera lens remind us of our responsibility to the environment – and of the powerful role culture can play in shaping awareness.

Enjoy the films, programmes, encounters and conversations of the festival – and take a piece of that experience with you into your everyday life!

Wishing you a pleasant and inspiring time,

Alíz Markovits

CEO, Veszprém-Balaton 2023 Jsc.



In 2023, the eyes of Europe
– and the world – were fixed
on Veszprém. As a European
Capital of Culture, we not only
attracted curious and interested
onlookers but also welcomed
tens of thousands of visitors who,
alongside our cultural treasures,
had the chance to discover our
region's natural riches.

Nestled between the Bakony Hills and Lake Balaton, Veszprém lies at the heart of one of Hungary's most naturally endowed regions. It may not be an overstatement, then, to say: Planet Lens International Nature Photography and Film Festival has truly found its home in Veszprém!

In addition to the city's well-known and newly established venues, the exceptional success of the European Capital of Culture events also speaks for itself. As part of this cultural journey, the Hungarian Motion Picture Festival, made possible by Veszprém-Balaton 2023 and the National Film Institute, welcomed audiences for the fourth time in 2024.

In this exciting and transformative period, Veszprém has undergone a series of cultural and infrastructural developments. The new event spaces and venues now provide a worthy setting for Planet Lens International Nature Photography and Film Festival, which is, in fact, the 10th International Nature and Environmental Film and Photo Festival – now under a new name, with a fresh identity and expanded programme.

Nature is life itself! Through the visual spectacle of Planet Lens, we can catch glimpses of the life-giving natural world as seen through the eyes of the creators. These vibrant, awe-inspiring works do more than bear witness to the miracle of creation: they allow us to experience that mysterious unity in which humanity and nature are revealed as one and the same.

We humans are one with nature. Protecting and preserving our living environment is inseparable from protecting our own future – our very lives.

Gyula PorgaMayor of Veszprém

Daily Schedule - Films



VENUE	TIME	TITLE	CATECODY SORENING TIME		
VENUE	TIME	TITLE	CATEGORY, SCREENING TIME		
		15 TH MAY			
	18:45	FESTIVAL OPENING CEREMONY			
ACTICITY	19:00	Opening Screening: Changing Wilderness - My North	Swedish-German-Hungarian- Austrian documentary, 56 mins		
		16 [™] MAY			
	8:30	O Lake Tisza – Man-Made Paradise	Hungarian documentary, 85 mins		
	10:30	Denmo (Himalayan Brown Bear)	Indian documentary, 39 mins		
	11:30	O Scarred Landscape – The Natural Assets and Losses of North Pest and Surrounding Areas	Hungarian documentary, 71 mins		
ACTICITY	13:00	■ Is it Enough to Dream?	Italian documentary, 62 mins		
ACTICITY	15:00	O Watchful River	Hungarian documentary, 50 mins		
	16:30	Denmo (Himalayan Brown Bear)	Indian documentary, 39 mins		
	18:00	Paani Suar	Indian documentary, 36 mins		
	19:30	Fairy Creek	Canadian documentary, 74 mins		
	21:30 Lake Tisza, Man-Ma		Hungarian documentary, 85 mins		
		International Short film Block 1			
	8:30	O Alter? Native!	Russian short film, 7 mins		
		Altera Natura	Romanian short film, 26 mins		
		The Wonders of Evolution	Colombian short film, 15 mins		
		Burnt Country	Australian-British short film, 17 mins		
		O Red Harvest	American short film, 4 mins		
		○ Two-Level House	Indonesian short film, 5 mins		
		O Pëkëya	British short film, 14 mins		
	10:30	O Watchful River	Hungarian documentary, 50 mins		
EXPRESSZÓ	11:30	O The Amazon of Europe – Wetland Habitats	Austrian documentary, 50 mins		
	12:30	O The Amazon of Europe – The Journey	Austrian documentary, 50 mins		
	13:30	Beasts in Miniature Iberia	Spanish documentary, 49 mins		
	15:30	O Hévíz: An Underwater Jungle	Hungarian documentary, 74 mins		
		International Animated Short Fim Block			
		Bird Drone	Australian animated film, 9 mins		
	17:30	By the Shore	Turkish animated film, 4 mins		
		Elf Janó and the Wonderful Planet Orb, Episode 10	Hungarian animated film, 14 mins		
		Jus d'orange	French-Polish animated film, 14 mins		
		● Kharvan – In Search of the Elusive One	Indian animated film, 17 mins		

TIME	TITLE	CATEGORY, SCREENING TIME	
17:30	Lunatic	Dutch animated film, 16 mins	
	The Adventurers of Lost Time	Brazilian animated film, 8 mins	
	The Last Garden	British animated film, 8 mins	
	Yungay	Spanish animated film, 8 mins	
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19:30	Wings of Dawn	Hungarian documentary, 90 mins	
21:00	Made in Ethiopia	Canadian-Ethiopian-British- American documentary, 90 mins	
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10:00	○ Watchful River	Hungarian documentary, 50 mins	
18:00	AWARDS CEREMONY		
14:30	The Island of the Giant Mothers	Spanish documentary, 52 mins	
16:00	O Scarred Landscape – The Natural Values and Losses of North Pest and Surrounding Areas	Hungarian documentary, 71 mins	
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9:30	○ The Amazon of Europe – The Journey	Austrian documentary, 50 mins	
11:00	CINEMIRA AWARDS CEREMONY		
13:00	○ The Amazon of Europe – The Journey	Austrian documentary, 50 mins	
14:30	Food for Profit	Italian documentary, 90 mins	
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		Carpathian Basin Film Block		
	11:00	O Danube Mayfly in Budapest	Hungarian documentary, 20 mins	
	11:00	O Wasted Waters	Hungarian documentary, 23 mins	
		O Past Locked in Gold	Hungarian documentary, 19 mins	
		International Short Film Block 2		
			American short film, 17 mins	
		O Isolated and Deprived	American short film, 27 mins	
	13:30	Orange Skies: Canada's Wildfire Crisis	Canadian short film, 8 mins	
		O Plus-Tick	Kenyan short film, 1 min	
FOTON		O The Taste of Honey	Bangladeshi short film, 9 mins	
AUDITORIUM		O Winner	Iranian short film, 8 mins	
		The Nordland Trekking Trail	Norwegian-Swedish short film, 18 mins	
	16:00	 Budapest Inferno – The Secret of the Molnár János Cave 	Hungarian educational documentary, 50 mins	
	18:00	■ Fairy Creek Canadian documentary, 74		
		International Short Film Block 1		
		O Alter? Native!	Russian short film, 7 mins	
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	14:30	O The Amazon of Europe – The Journey	Austrian documentary, 50 mins	
	16:00	Riding the Winds of the Adriatic	Hungarian documentary, 90 mins	
		International Short Film Block 2		
		O Island of Elephants	American short film, 17 mins	
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		By the Shore	Turkish animated film, 4 mins	
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Daily Schedule - Accompanying Programmes

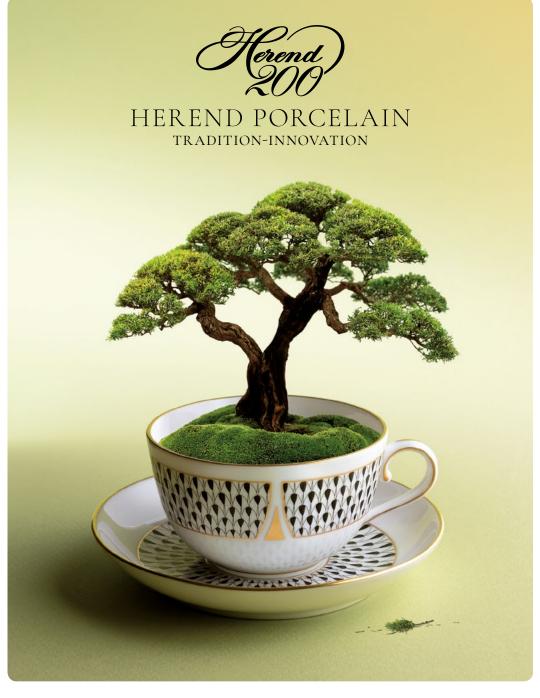


VENUE	TIME	TITLE	REGISTRA- TION
	15™ MAY		
FOTON CAFÉ	all day	The Sky Above Veszprém – Astro Landscape Exhibition	
		16™ MAY	
	10:00–12:00	Upcycling workshop with Hybridart	х
ACTICITY BDG A	13:00–15:00	Upcycling workshop with Hybridart	Х
	16:00–18:00	Upcycling workshop with Hybridart	Х
CODE HEXAGON	19:00–20:30	Andor Sanderson Immersive Concert Experience	х
	09:00–12:00	Object-Creation Workshop (for ages 9+) DEMO Association	
ERZSÉBET PROMENADE	13:00–15:00	Sustainability at All Times – Sustainability Themed Day for Schoolchildren	
	14:00–17:00	Object-Creation Workshop (for ages 9+) DEMO Association	
FOTON	17:00–19:00	Guided Themed Walks in the Spirit of Nature – What Does the Area and Interior of Benedek Hill Hide?	X
FOTON CAFÉ	all day	The Sky Above Veszprém – Astro Landscape Exhibition	
FOTON FIRE WATCH- TOWER COURTYARD	16:00–19:00	Professional Camera and Telescope Demonstration	x
S-STUDIO	16:00–17:00	Tihany and the Ground Squirrels – Talk by József Vers	Х
3-310DIO	18:00–19:00	My WildWorld – Talk by András Kovács	Х
		17 [™] MAY	
	09:00–18:00	CODE Creator Permanent Programmes	
	10:00–11:30	Design Your Own Bird Feeder – 3D Design Workshop in the Spirit of Sustainability	х
ACTICITY BDG A	10:00–12:00	Upcycling Workshop with Hybridart x	Х
-	10:00–12:00	The Power of Visual Communication in Sustainability – Workshop for 14–18-year-olds	х
	10:00–12:00	Guided Walk through the Planet Lens Photography Exhibition	х

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	ACTICITY BDG A	13:00–15:00	Upcycling Workshop with Hybridart	Х
		14:00–16:00	Guided Walk through the Planet Lens Photography Exhibition	Х
		14:00–18:00	Photograph Our Planet! - Workshop for 14-18-year-olds	Х
		15:00–16:30	Design Your Own Bird Feeder – 3D Design Workshop in the Spirit of Sustainability	X
		16:00–18:00	Upcycling Workshop with Hybridart	Х
	CODE	13:00–13:30	Interactive 3D Experience in the Spirit of Nature	Х
	STUDIO	14:30–15:00	Interactive 3D Experience in the Spirit of Nature	Х
		09:00–12:00	Media Workshop (for ages 9+) DEMO Association	
		09:00–18:00	Sustainability Activities – Upcycling (for ages 5+)	
		09:00–18:00	Sustainability Activities – Magic Disc (for ages 3–10)	
	ERZSÉBET	09:00–18:00	Sustainability Activities – Wonder Whirler (for ages 3–10)	
	PROMENADE	09:00–18:00	Fresh Island - Sustainable Eating, Conscious Nutrition	
		10:00–12:00	Participy Giant Board Game DEMO Association	Х
		14:00–16:00	Participy Giant Board Game DEMO Association	Х
		14:00–17:00	Media Workshop (for ages 9+) DEMO Association	
	ERZSÉBET PROMENADE & ACTICITY & EXPRESSZÓ & FOTON	09:00–18:00	Human-Powered Bike Park	
	FOTON	14:00–16:00	Guided Themed Walks in the Spirit of Nature - In the Water Management 'Chakra' of Veszprém	x
		all day	The Sky Above Veszprém – Astro Landscape Exhibition	
	FOTON CAFÉ	17:00–18:00	Where the Sky and the Earth Meet - Talk by Astrophotographer Lóránd Fényes	X
	57.11 =	19:00–20:00	The Celestial World of a Thousand Faces – Talk by Astrophotographer Tamás Ladányi	X
	FOTON FIRE WATCH- TOWER COURTYARD	20:30–22:00	Astronomical Telescope Demonstration with Astrophotographer Tamás Ladányi	x

Daily Schedule - Accompanying Programmes

VENUE	TIME	TITLE	REGISTRA- TION
	18 TH MAY		
	09:00–18:00	CODE Creator Permanent Programmes	
	10:00–10:40	Bee Mission – Fun Programming with Beebot (for ages 6–10) CODE CREATOR	х
	10:00–12:00	Guided Walk through the Planet Lens Photography Exhibition	Х
ACTICITY BDG A	11:00–11:40	Bee Mission – Fun Programming with Beebot (for ages 6–10) CODE CREATOR	Х
	14:00–14:40	Bee Mission – Fun Programming with Beebot (for ages 6–10) CODE CREATOR	х
	15:00–15:40	Bee Mission – Fun Programming with Beebot (for ages 6–10) CODE CREATOR	х
CODE	13:00–13:30	Interactive 3D Experience in the Spirit of Nature	Х
STUDIO	14:30–15:00	Interactive 3D Experience in the Spirit of Nature	Х
	09:00–12:00	Paper Sculpture Workshop (for ages 3+) DEMO Association	
	09:00–18:00	Sustainability Activities – Wonder Whirler (for ages 3–10)	
	09:00–18:00	Sustainability Activities – Upcycling (for ages 5+)	
ERZSÉBET	09:00–18:00	Sustainability Activities – Magic Disc (for ages 3–10)	
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ERZSÉBET PROMENADE & ACTICITY & EXPRESSZÓ & FOTON	09:00–18:00	Human-Powered Bike Park	
FOTON	14:00–16:00	Guided Themed Walks in the Spirit of Nature – The Fish Tunnel and Veszprém Quarry	X
FOTON CAFÉ	all day	The Sky Above Veszprém – Astro Landscape Exhibition	



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Feature Films





Gemenc - The World of Floodplains

Hungarian documentary, 52 mins

Gemenc is a floodplain forest where water constantly shapes the landscape. The Danube defines the daily lives of plants and animals: it nourishes, protects and threatens; it builds and destroys. This film, made over five years using special techniques – hidden wildlife cameras, aerial and underwater cameras – offers a glimpse into the world of these places.

Directed by: Frigyes Olma

Screening: 21:00, 17th May, Expresszó



Budapest Inferno – The Secret of the Molnár János Cave

Hungarian popular science film, 50 mins

There are isolated places on Earth where very special creatures live, facing all challenges... even in the heart of a metropolis. BUDAPEST INFERNO simultaneously reveals the unknown underground wonders of Budapest and the deepest secrets of evolution.

Directed by: Balázs Lerner, Balázs Gergely

Screening: 16:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



Deepest Asia – Following the Hungarians in Mongolia

Hungarian documentary, 81 mins

Zoltán Füredi's road movie takes us on a journey into the shared history of Asia and Europe, exploring the common roots of Hungarian and Mongol cultures, the archaic yet rapidly changing everyday life of modern Mongolia, as well as the guiding force of the director's personal destiny.

Directed by: Zoltán Füredi

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 16th May, FOTON Auditorium; 18:30, 18th May, ActiCity



Beasts in Miniature Iberia

Spanish documentary, 49 mins

This film showcases the tiniest creatures of the Iberian Peninsula's fascinating wildlife. These animals are sometimes microscopic in size but possess wonderful characteristics. The film presents this micro-world in a way never seen before.

Directed by: Carlos Perez Romero

Screenings: 13:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 11:30, 18th May, ActiCity



Riding the Winds of the Adriatic

Hungarian documentary film, 90 mins

Ferenc Herczegh's travelogue Riding the Winds was published in 1905, recounting the author's adventures in the Adriatic. It became a cherished read for generations of Hungarians. 120 years later, cinematographer László Bárány retraced Herczegh's journey, photographing the very locations the writer once visited.

Directed by: László Bárány

Screening: 16:00, 18th May, Expresszó



Changing Wilderness - My North

Swedish-Hungarian-Austrian documentary, 56 mins

Zoltán Török is a Hungarian nature filmmaker who has made Sweden his home. He embarks on a journey with his family to discover how the natural world of their country has changed. An emotional journey through Sweden's gorgeous landscapes, filled with stunning wildlife scenes, while Zoltán's family also undergo their own transformation.

Directed by: Zoltán Török

Screenings: 19:00, 15th May, ActiCity; 8:30, 17th May, ActiCity; 15:30, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Denmo (Himalayan Brown Bear)

Indian documentary, 39 mins

In this documentary about the struggle between humans and bears, young wildlife researcher Niazul Hassan Khan returns to his community in Drass, located in Kargil, to understand the brown bear and make peace between the animals and his people.

Directed by: Akanksha Sood Singh

Screenings: 10:30, 16th May, ActiCity; 10:30, 16th May, FOTON Auditorium; 16:30, 16th May, ActiCity; 17:00, 17th May, Expresszó



Fairy Creek

Canadian documentary, 74 mins

The film tells the story of the Fairy Creek blockade, where thousands of activists take part in a protest to save the untouched valley from logging. As forest workers begin to retaliate and the police intervene, the situation intensifies.

Directed by: Jen Muranetz

Screenings: 19:30, 16th May, ActiCity; 18:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium

Feature Films

Feature Films / Short Films





Food for profit

Italian documentary, 90 mins

The film presents a five-year investigation that uncovers the untold stories behind global food systems. It explores the connections between the meat industry, lobbying and European power structures, as well as the roles played by large corporations and consumers.

Directed by: Giulia Innocenzi, Pablo D'Ambrosi

Screenings: 14:30, 17th May, Expresszó; 13:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Is it Enough to Dream?

Italian documentary, 62 mins

This film reveals the relationship between humans and nature through the sense of hearing. What is soundscape and how do bees – symbols of biodiversity – use sound in the hive? These are a couple of the questions explored in the film.

Directed by: Azzurra Fragale

Screenings: 13:00, 16th May, ActiCity; 19:30, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Paani Suar

Indian documentary, 36 mins

The Andaman and Nicobar Islands, located off the eastern coast of India, are home to dugongs. Once abundant, the last of these creatures are now endangered due to human and climate impacts. However, a civilian observation network may assist in learning more about them.

Directed by: Akanksha Sood Singh

Screenings: 11:30, 16th May, FOTON Auditorium; 18:00, 16th May, ActiCity; 18:30, 17th May, Expresszó



Alter?Native!

Russian short film. 7 mins

By 2050, two-thirds of the world's population will live in cities. But what will this future look like? The film explores sustainability and the role of nature in urban environments.

Directed by: Viacheslav Karbanov

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



Made In Ethiopia

Canadian-Ethiopian-British-American documentary, 90 mins

When a massive Chinese factory complex begins its large-scale expansion in rural Ethiopia, it pushes the beliefs of three women seeking prosperity to their limits as they grapple with industrialisation.

Directed by: Max Duncan, Xinyan Yu

Screenings: 21:00, 16th May, FOTON Auditorium; 20:30, 18th May, ActiCity



The Island of the Giant Mothers

Spanish documentary, 52 mins

Each season, up to 40,000 green sea turtles arrive at a special point in Africa to lay their eggs. After hatching, thousands of tiny turtles leave the island every year. The film showcases this incredible process.

Directed by: Carlos Perez Romero

Screenings: 8:30, 17th May, Expresszó; 14:30, 17th May, outdoor screening on Erzsébet Promenade; 13:00, 18th May, ActiCity



Altera Natura

Romanian short film, 26 mins

The film examines the transformations that have turned the Văcăreşti Delta – a sanctuary for many species of animals and plants – into a space for survival, balance and hope.

Directed by: Alfred Schupler

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



The Wonders of Evolution

Colombian short film, 15 mins

The film looks at the complex evolutionary adaptations of insects from a scientific perspective, highlighting their bizarre designs and mysterious communication, revealing the challenges they face and the importance of preserving their habitats.

Directed by: Francisco Arango Ceballos

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium





Burnt Country

Australian short film, 17 mins

Can Australia's past help secure its future? Burnt Country tells the story of fighting fire with fire. Unveiling the deep knowledge and wisdom of the ancestors, this film invites us to reconnect with the land and its communities.

Directed by: Kirsten Slemint

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



Island of Elephants

American short film, 17 mins

In one of India's elephant camps, twenty-six elephants are tamed and "socialised" for cohabitation with the community. A veterinarian and an animal rights activist tell the story of how these majestic animals are captured and cared for in order to protect them.

Directed by: Lenore Rinder

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Pëkëya

British short film, 14 mins

The ancestors of the Siekopai nation lived between the Putamayo and Napo rivers in the Amazon Basin. This film explores the land conflict that arose between Peru and Ecuador in the 1940s and how one can reconnect with the ancestral land.

Directed by: Remi Bumstead

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



Plus-Tick

Kenyan short film, 1 min

A short film about the plastic pollution destroying our marine ecosystem. It shows what the oceans were like before plastics flooded them, and how they are now, covered in waste.

Directed by: Maulidi Mwinyikai

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Isolated and Deprived

American short film, 27 mins

The community of the Quinchao Archipelago (Chiloé) lives in isolation, with limited access to essential services, including healthcare and education. The film tells the story of how the islanders organise themselves to demand solutions to their problems.

Directed by: Estela Imigo, Victor Gutiérrez

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Orange Skies: Canada's Wildfire Crisis

Canadian short film. 8 mins

An experimental documentary about the Canadian wildfires and the stories of Western University students who witnessed the fires firsthand.

Directed by: Chichi Sharma

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Red Harvest

American short film, 4 mins

Red Harvest is a distinctive reflection on the transformation of the American Midwest's landscape. The film is inspired by the terrain damaged by US agricultural policies of the '80s, the tragic effects are still felt today.

Directed by: Justin Morrow

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



The Nordland Trekking Trail

Norwegian-Swedish short film, 18 mins

The film follows several persons as they hike different sections of the 650-km-long Nordland Trekking Trail. Along the way, we discover their personal stories as they walk through national parks and UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Directed by: Zdenek Dvorak

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó

Short Films





The Taste of Honey

Bangladeshi short film, 9 mins

Shorbanu Khatun lives in the world's largest mangrove forest. Her husband was killed by a tiger, her community rejects her due to her misfortune, and climate change challenges her life. The film showcases Shorbanu's struggle and perseverance.

Directed by: Fabeha Monir, Mohammad Rakibul Hasan

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Two-Level House

Indonesian short film, 5 mins

The Indonesian short film depicts a conversation between a mother and her child, discussing the daughter, Della's environmental dreams.

Directed by: Arfiyan Dewa Purnama

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 16th May, Expresszó; 20:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium



Winner

Irani short film, 8 mins

A schoolgirl visits a zoo to participate in a photography competition, but her camera is stolen, leading to an unexpected turn of events for her.

Directed by: Mahsa Akbarabadi

Screenings: 13:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Animated Films

Bird Drone

Australian animated film. 9 mins

A heartfelt story of unrequited love, told through the character of a lonely seagull. The bird tries to come to terms with the fact that the object of its newfound affection is a drone operated by a human, with a limited lifespan.

Directed by: Radheya Jang Jegatheva

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



By the Shore

Turkish animated film. 4 mins

An elderly woman doesn't want to leave her home and her past on an island. But when the ocean reaches her door due to a flood caused by the climate crisis she is forced to make a decision.

Directed by: Rojin Aslan Vesek

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Elf Janó and the Wonderful Planet-Orb, Ep. 10

Hungarian animated film, 14 mins

Elves Janó and Jana set out on a journey to save the planet. The protagonists get caught up in exciting adventures, making friends along the way, and with their help, they uncover who is behind the events destroying the planet.

Directed by: Zoltán Miklósy, Attila Herkó

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium

Animated Films





Jus d'orange

French-Polish animated film, 14 mins

Toni is an orange grower swept up by the industrialised world, which is too large for him. As he struggles, his entire life flashes before him, and only a fond memory can save him.

Directed by: Alexandre Athané

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Kharvan - In Search of the Elusive One

Indian animated film 17 mins

Kharvan is a mixed-media documentary that explores the relationship between smooth-coated otters and the ecosystem. Combining live action and animation, the film delves into the unique balance of wetland habitats, highlighting their rich biodiversity, cultural heritage and the challenges they face today.

Directed by: Nitya Navelkar

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Lunatic

Dutch animated film, 16 mins

Lunatic addresses issues that exist both on Earth and in space, from the perspective of Antonio, a lonely astronaut left behind on the Moon. How might the climate crisis and waste define our fate, even in space? Robin Noorda's improvisational animated film, based on the director's poetry, explores these questions.

Directed by: Robin Noorda

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



The Adventurers of Lost Time

Brazilian animated film, 8 mins

Australis, Naturélie and Terroso come from a very distant galaxy to help revive nature on Earth. Along the way, they meet Judith, a rebellious little sprout.

Directed by: Luah Garcia

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



The Last Garden

British Animated film. 8 mins

For Henry, the community garden offers refuge from the hustle and bustle of urban life. However, there comes the day when the garden is set to be demolished. Henry and his community struggle to agree on how to protect it.

Directed by: Eloise Jenninger

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Yungay

Spanish animated film, 8 mins

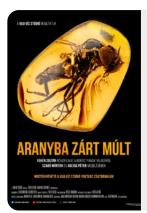
In May 1970, the residents of Yungay, a town in Peru, including 11-year-old Mateo and his loyal dog, Lepanto, begin to notice strange signs around them. Soon after, a massive 7.8 magnitude earthquake shakes the region, triggering an avalanche that buries the entire town.

Directed by: Marisa Bedoya

Screenings: 17:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 10:00, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium

Natural Treasures of the Carpathian Basin Films





Past Locked in Gold

Hungarian documentary, 19 mins

In most cases, nothing remains of life forms that are hundreds of millions of years old. Sometimes, we are fortunate enough to find their fossilised bones. It takes a stroke of luck to find soft tissues or skin impressions. And occasionally, what we find is miraculous: perfect, fully preserved prehistoric remains. Micro-worlds that show us exactly what things looked like in the age of the dinosaurs. However, to discover this, we need amber.

Directed by: Zoltán Fehér

Screenings: 11:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Danube Mayfly in Budapest

Hungarian documentary, 20 mins

Does the mayfly live in the Danube? The answer is clear to those who know that the mayfly is not a river plant. Since 2012, we have been able to admire the mass emergence of a mayfly species related to the Tisza mayfly at the end of summer along the Danube. However, no one has yet confirmed its permanent presence in the Budapest stretch of the river. During our exploratory journey, we will find the answer to this question, and as a bonus, we will also witness the birth of a new mayfly-saving wonder device.

Directed by: György Kriska

Screenings: 11:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



Wasted Waters

Hungarian documentary, 23 mins

In Hungary, over 90% of wetland habitats have disappeared, and much of the remaining areas are in poor condition. To this day, these areas are still regarded as economically useless. Stopping their drainage and restoring these areas is an increasingly urgent climate adaptation, nature conservation and water management necessity.

Directed by: Tamás Farkas

Screenings: 11:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 17:30, 18th May, FOTON Auditorium



The Amazon of Europe – Wetland Habitats

Austrian documentary, 50 mins

The Drava River, after a long and sometimes challenging journey, starts at its source in Italy and finally reaches the Danube near Kopački Rit. This is the heart of the secret realm of riparian forests, stretching along the Mura, Drava and Danube rivers, creating Central Europe's largest contiguous wetland. This is Europe's Amazon, where plant and animal life have perfectly adapted to the unique conditions of the region, be it an abundance or scarcity of water.

Directed by: Szabolcs Mosonyi

Screenings: 11:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 14:00, 16th May, FOTON Auditorium; 10:00, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 13:30, 18th May, Expresszó



The Amazon of Europe - The Journey

Austrian documentary, 50 mins

The Drava River is not just a lifeline for a wide range of species, but a complex network of life-sustaining channels and migration routes, a complicated tapestry of habitats. It is not simply a landscape, but an alternating series of high, low or standing water periods, slow and fast currents, extreme cold and stifling heat and alternating droughts – each of which requires special adaptation and forces dramatic struggles on plants and animals.

Directed by: Szabolcs Mosonyi

Screenings: 12:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 9:30, 17th May, Expresszó; 13:00, 17th May, Expresszó; 14:30, 18th May, Expresszó



Watchful River

Hungarian documentary, 50 mins

The film follows the entire path of the Kis-Küküllő (Tārnava Mică / Kleine Kokel) River in Transylvania. The river itself tells the story of the region, past and present events, while observing the surrounding landscape, the people who live there, and listening to the birds or the music of a nearby orchestra. By showcasing the natural beauty of the region, we both discover the unique world of a small area and also gain insight into Transylvania's cultural and historical values.

Directed by: Ervin Jakab

Screenings: 10:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 15:00, 16th May, ActiCity; 10:00, 17th May, ActiCity; 19:30, 17th May, Expresszó

Natural Treasures of the Carpathian Basin Films



Hévíz: An Underwater Jungle

Hungarian documentary, 74 mins

North-west of Lake Balaton, there is a thermal lake unique in Hungary – Hévíz Lake. Today, the lake serves as the site of a special but entirely spontaneous ecological experiment. Both the lakebed and the outflow channel, known as the Hévíz stream, have become home to tropical fish species. But how did this species-rich, yet alien community of life come into being? And what could their presence mean for the native wildlife?

Directed by: Zoltán Fehér

Screenings: 15:30, 16th May, Expresszó; 16:30, 18th May, ActiCity



Scarred Landscape – Natural Assets and Losses in North Pest and Surrounding Areas

Hungarian documentary, 71 mins

Once, a sandy region stretched from the Gödöllő Hills all the way to the Danube, decorated with marshlands, lush meadows, lowland streams and gallery forests. However, the environmental destruction that began in the 1990s wiped out most of the area's natural values. Yet, a handful of conservationists fought to preserve the last remaining natural treasures, and they continue to struggle for the survival of their beloved, scarred landscape.

Directed by: György Kriska

Screenings: 11:30, 16th May, ActiCity; 8:30, 17th May, FOTON Auditorium; 16:00, 17th May, outdoor screening on Erzsébet Promenade; 14:30, 18th May, ActiCity



Lake Tisza, Man-Made Paradise

Hungarian documentary, 85 mins

The Tisza River has meandered through the Great Hungarian Plain for millennia. Since humans arrived along its banks, they have tried to put the river to use. They drink its water, irrigate with it, have cut and straightened it. Fifty years ago, they stopped it to create a reservoir. At that time, they did not know their work would bring the ancient world of the Tisza back to life. Built by humans, inhabited by nature – this is how this human-made paradise, Lake Tisza was created.

Directed by: Balázs Szendőfi

Screenings: 8:30, 16th May, ActiCity; 21:30, 16th May, ActiCity; 20:00, 18th May, Expresszó

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Accompanying Programmes





Draw it, move it, tell it

Stop Motion and Flipbook Animation (For ages 6-10) | CODE CREATOR

Bring your own story to life! Create a short animated film using stop motion techniques or flipbooks, and discover the magical world of animation.

Location: ActiCity Building A
Time and date: 9:00–18:00, 17th–18th May

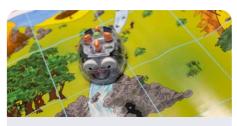


The Home of the Future

- How a Smart Home Works (For ages 10+)|CODE CREATOR

Bring the home of the future to life! Learn how smart homes work – or even programme your own intelligent system with lights, sensors and automation.

Location: ActiCity Building A
Time and date: 9:00-18:00, 17th–18th May



Bee Mission Adventure

Coding for Sustainability Workshop (For ages 6–10) | CODE CREATOR

Discover the world of programming and make selective waste sorting fun with Buzzy, the robot bee! In this workshop, you'll learn about the order of nature. Sort waste correctly or arrange the stages of life cycles in the right order.

Location: ActiCity Building A

Date: 18th May

Times: 10:00-10:40, 11:00-11:40, 14:00-14:40,

15:00-15:40



Media Workshop

(For ages 9+) | DEMO Association

Explore the world of media and create your own nature-inspired moving images! Discover the exciting tools of media and showcase the beauty of nature through your own short films.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade

Date: 17th May

Times: 9:00-12:00 and 14:00-17:00



The Play of Colours and Shapes

- Painting Laser-Cut Objects (For ages 6-10) | CODE CREATOR

Let your creativity run wild! Paint laser-cut ornaments with unique patterns and create a handmade keepsake or gift.

Location: ActiCity Building A
Time and date: 9:00-18:00, 17th-18th May



Design Your Own Bird Feeder

- 3D Design for Sustainability Workshop (For ages 10+) | CODE CREATOR

Would you like to protect birds while exploring the world of 3D design? Join our workshop where you can design your very own bird feeder and print it using eco-friendly PLA material.

Location: ActiCity Building A

Time and date: 10:00–11:30 and 15:00–16:30, 17th May



Object-Making Workshop

(For ages 9+) | DEMO Association

Try out hand tools and design and create your own unique everyday items from various materials! You can work with wood or recycled materials to make a practical, handmade object.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade

Date: 16th May

Times: 9:00-12:00 and 14:00-17:00



Paper Sculpture Activity

(For ages 3+) | DEMO Association

Fold, cut, and glue exciting plant shapes from paper! In this session, you'll learn the basic techniques of folding, cutting and gluing to create colourful flowers, unique leaves and fantastical plants.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade

Date: 18th May

Times: 9:00-12:00 and 14:00-17:00





Participy Giant Board Game

DEMO Association

Design the future of Veszprém together and transform the city in an exciting, cooperative strategy game! Learn about the key issues of sustainability and discover why our built environment matters.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade Time and date: 10:00–12:00, 17th–18th May and 14:00–16:00, 18th May



Interactive 3D Nature-Themed Experience

Fancy a walk through outer space? Curious about the world of insects and plants? This 30-minute interactive 3D experience uses digital technology to bring you closer to these fascinating topics.

Location: CODE – Digital Experience Centre, Studio

Times and dates: 13:00–13:30, 14:30–15:00, 17th May; 13:00–13:30, 14:30–15:00, 18th May



Guided Thematic Nature Walks

- In the 'Chakra' of Veszprém's Water Systems

Stops on the walk: FOTON – Anna Square – Jókai Street – Patak Square – Water Management Museum – Saint Stephen's Viaduct – Watermills on the Séd – Dolomite Cliffs – Laczkó Spring

Tour guides: Győző Kovács (meteorologist), János Magyar (architect), Hajnalka Vörös Márkus (historian)

Location: FOTON Audiovisual Centre Time and date: 14:00–16:00, 17th May



Guided Thematic Nature Walks

- The Halagút Tunnel and Veszprém Quarry

Stops on the walk: FOTON - Castle - Patak Square - Sintér Ditch - HALAGÚT Tunnel -Quarry - Harmat Street Lookout

Tour guides: Ildikó Kozma Nagy (environmental specialist, BaBaKo), László Bontó (agricultural engineer. VMHE)

Location: FOTON Audiovisual Centre Time and date: 14:00–16:00, 18th May



Andor Sanderson Immersive Concert Experience

A live audiovisual concert by Andor Sanderson and the MAKRO VJ team, where sound and visuals merge into a unique sensory performance.

Location: CODE – Digital Experience Centre, Hexagon

Time and date: 19:00-20:30, 16th May



Guided Thematic Nature Walks

- What Lies In and Beneath Benedek Hill?

Stops on the walk: FOTON - Castle - György & Henrik Tumler's water-lifting mechanism -Sárszeg - Air raid shelter inside Benedek Hill -Margaret Ruins - Fulling Mill - Patak Square

Tour guides: Péter Bácskai (President of HATESZ), Bernadett Jákói (local history researcher), Hainalka Vörös Márkus (historian)

Meeting point: FOTON Audiovisual Centre Time and date: 17:00–19:00, 16th May



Guided Tours of the Planet Lens Photo Exhibition

Join photographer Tamás Imre and Planet Lens jury members for guided tours of the Planet Lens photo exhibition. Discover behind-the-scenes insights and exciting backstories during the walks.

Meeting point: ActiCity Building A

Location: ActiCity Building A

Times and dates: 10:00–12:00, 17th May; 14:00–16:00, 17th May; 10:00–12:00, 18th May



The Sky Above Veszprém

- Astro-Landscape Photography Exhibition

An exhibition by Tamás Ladányi – astrophotographer, teacher and amateur astronomer and member of the international elite photography group The World At Night.

Location: FOTON Café
Dates: 15th–18th May

Accompanying Programmes

PLANET LENS



The Multifaceted Sky

- Talk by Astrophotographer Tamás Ladányi

What challenges does an astrophotographer face? What knowledge is needed to photograph the starry sky in urban environments or far from light pollution? Tamás Ladányi will reveal the answers.

Location: FOTON Café

Time and date: 19:00–20:00, 17th May



Stargazing with Tamás Ladányi

Observe planets, stars and deep-sky objects through an astronomical telescopel In this unique programme, astrophotographer Tamás Ladányi will guide participants on a journey to distant galaxies. The session will take place only if the weather is clear.

Location: FOTON Fire Watchtower Courtyard Time and date: 20:30–22:00, 17th May



Fresh Island

- Sustainable and Conscious Eating

Why is healthy eating important? How can our diet be made more sustainable? Children and teenagers aged 4 to 18 can explore the basics of mindful food choices through fun and interactive activities.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade Times and dates: 09:00–18:00, 17th May; 09:00–18:00, 18th May



Human-Powered Bike Park

A pedal-powered playground where everything is driven by bicycles! A fun and active experience for all ages, combining entertainment with physical activity.

Locations: Erzsébet Promenade, ActiCity, FOTON, Expresszó

Times and dates: 09:00–18:00, 17th May; 09:00–18:00, 18th May



Where Sky Meets Earth

- Talk by Astrophotographer Lóránd Fényes

What perspectives does the cosmos offer when captured on camera? How does light begin its vast journey, spanning thousands, millions or even billions of years? Astrophotographer Lóránd Fényes invites you on an exciting, imagerich journey through space.

Location: FOTON Café

Time and date: 17:00-18:00, 17th May



Sustainability Through Time

- Thematic Sustainability Day for Schoolchildren

On Earth – In Water – In the Air is an interactive sustainability adventure trail. Through various stations, participants will explore the concept of sustainability and learn how to apply its principles in practice.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade Time and date: 13:00–16:00, 16th May



Photograph Our Planet

- Workshop for 14-18 Year-Olds

In this special workshop, participants will learn how to use photography to deliver powerful messages about nature and sustainability. They'll also explore basic photographic techniques and tell their own stories of environmental awareness through images.

Location: ActiCity Building A
Time and date: 14:00–18:00, 17th May



The Power of Visual Communication in Sustainability

- Workshop for 14-18-year-olds

This workshop introduces how visual communication shapes our understanding of sustainability. Participants will analyse how photographs, campaigns and advertisements influence our thinking and decision-making.

Location: ActiCity Building A

Time and date: 10:00-12:00, 17th May

Accompanying Programmes





Sustainability Workshops

- Upcycling (Ages 5+)

This workshop introduces the concept of creative recycling in everyday life. Participants, working in teams of three, will receive guidance on how to sew their own upcycled backpacks, phone cases or glasses pouches. Materials for the workshop will come from waste generated during the event.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade Times and dates: 09:00–18:00, 17th May; 09:00–18:00, 18th May

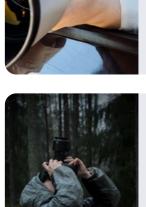


Sustainability Workshops

- Magic Spinner (Ages 3-10)

The main attraction of this activity is a spinning disc that features drawings of different movement sequences. When spun and viewed through a small window opposite a mirror, the images blend into one fluid animation. Children will create their own magic spinners during the session.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade Times and dates: 09:00–18:00, 17th May; 09:00–18:00, 18th May



My Wild World

Hungary.

- Talk by András Kovács

Nature and wildlife photographer András Kovács offers a glimpse into his photography projects. Most of the images presented were taken in the Bakony–Balaton region and continue to be captured there. The talk will also highlight how beautiful and extraordinary moments in nature can be experienced without travelling far.

Professional Camera and Telescope Demonstration

Step into the world of professional photography and astronomy! Explore CANON and PENTAX products, brought to you by Fotoplus and Canon

Location: S-Studio
Time and date: 18:00–19:00, 16th May

Location: FOTON Fire Tower Courtyard Time and date: 16:00–19:00, 16th May



Sustainability Workshops

- Wonder Spinner (Ages 3-10)

This optical toy creates the illusion of motion. During the activity, children will design and colour discs that produce an optical illusion when spun. They'll then assemble their spinners by gluing the discs together and attaching a string or thread in the middle.

Location: Erzsébet Promenade Times and dates: 09:00–18:00, 17th May; 09:00–18:00, 18th May



Tihany and the Ground Squirrels

- Talk by József Vers

In recent years, ground squirrels on the Tihany Peninsula have attracted crowds to the shores of the Inner Lake. A popular tourist draw, a favourite family excursion spot and a beloved pastime for grandparents and grandchildren – not to mention a magnet for photographers. This talk covers how and why this once-extinct species was reintroduced to the peninsula.

Location: S-Studio

Time and date: 16:00-17:00, 16th May



Upcycling Workshop with Hybridart

Create your own unique accessory from recycled banner material. Learn about the concept of upcycling, choose your material, and receive help designing and customising your sustainable item.

Location: ActiCity Building A

Times and dates: 10:00–12:00, 16th May; 13:00–15:00, 16th May; 16:00–18:00, 16th May; 10:00–12:00, 17th May; 13:00–15:00, 17th May; 16:00–18:00, 17th May

List of Nominated Photographs



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International Photography Competition

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Andreja Ravnak (SL): Textures 01 Andreja Ravnak (SL): Textures 02 Andreja Ravnak (SL): Tuscan Breakfast Dr Zsolt Eggenhofer (HU): Yellow Ghost

Anna Jánoss-Gaál (HU): The Tree That Never Was and the

Dragon's Egg

Anna Jánoss-Gaál (HU): Watercolour Csaba Kolluder (HU): Modest Hill

Alenka Muzar (SL): St Thomas's Church

Alenka Muzar (SL): Winter Vineyards – Zlati Gric

Zsolt Nádudvari (HU): Icy Hug

Zsolt Nádudvari (HU): Lofoten Islands

Zsolt Nádudvari (HU): Sky Bridge

György Rajkai (HU): Sea Calm

Krisztina Szakolczai (HU): Hilltops

Gábor Takács (HU): Orion Above the Peaks of Monte Paterno

Katalin Tóth (HU): Misty Sunrise

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Tímea Ambrus (HU): Kung Fu

Andreja Ravnak (SL): In Flight

Judit Bánszki (HU): Complementary

Balázs Gyenti (HU): The Final Kick

Balázs Gyenti (HU): Scoop

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Bubble Blowing

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Butterfly Sketch

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Mimicry

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Ringmaster

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Dots and Lines

Péter Katona (HU): Hiding Place

Tibor Kércz (HU): Queen of the Tundra

Csaba Kolluder (HU): Beyond Imagination

Tibor Leiter (HU): The Inspector

Ferenc Lőrincz (HU): The Struggle

Ferenc Lőrincz (HU): In the Rainbow

Ferenc Lőrincz (HU): The Hunter

Ferenc Lőrincz (HU): Front of the Wreck

György Rajkai (HU): Eruption

Radoslav Sviretsov (BG): The Dark Forest of Vitosha Mountain

Adrienn Zoboki-Barát (HU): First Rays



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Zoltán Jánoss (HU): Morning Calm Anna Jánoss-Gaál (HU): In the Footsteps of Our Ancestors Tibor Kércz (HU): Walk on the Stupa György Rajkai (HU): Upside Down World

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Judit Bánszki (HU): Foggy Sunset
Csaba Daróczi (HU): Two Towers
Dr Zsolt Eggenhofer (HU): In Golden Mist
Péter Katona (HU): S-Curve
Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): Bottomless
Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): Snowfall
Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): In Snowfall
István Palcsek (HU): The World of Salt Balls
Krisztina Szakolczai (HU): Spiderweb
István Szirányi (HU): Sightseeing Boat on the Danube

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Judit Bánszki (HU): Snowdrops Judit Bánszki (HU): Tightrope Walker Ernő Barsi (HU): The Verdict Balázs Gyenti (HU): Occupation Balázs Gyenti (HU): Attempted Robbery Balázs Gyenti (HU): Love in the Mist Ádám Horváth (HU): The Badger's World Ádám Horváth (HU): Longing Erzsébet Horváth (HU): Standing on the Beak Tibor Horváth (HU): The Great Bustard in Winter Tibor Horváth (HU): Love Tibor Horváth (HU): In Winter Norbert Kaszás (HU): The Last Flash Norbert Kaszás (HU): Energised Norbert Kaszás (HU): Dawn Hunt Norbert Kaszás (HU): About-Face

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Spiderweb

Norbert Kaszás (HU): Symmetry Norbert Kaszás (HU): Dance on Water Norbert Kaszás (HU): Last Rays Péter Katona (HU): Scuffle Péter Katona (HU): Descent Marianna Klein (HU): Prev Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): Team Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): Light Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): Drowse Tibor Leiter (DE): Waiting Ferenc Lőrincz (HU): Carp Love István Palcsek (HU): In the Mist Imre Potyó (HU): The Grass Frog's Kingdom Imre Potyó (HU): December Butterfly Imre Potyó (HU): Blue Army Imre Potyó (HU): Green Curve Balázs Ravasz (HU): Icy Currents Balázs Ravasz (HU): Cell Division Csaba Szabó (HU): Got It? Krisztina Szakolczai (HU): The Tale of the Fox and the Cuckoo László Szomju (HU): On Tiptoe Boldizsár Szűcs (HU): The Throne Room of the Stinkbug Boldizsár Szűcs (HU): Bullfight Adrienn Zoboki-Barát (HU): In the Centre of the Lightweb Adrienn Zoboki-Barát (HU): Droplet-Universe

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Adrienn Zoboki-Barát (HU): Autumn Mood

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Csaba Daróczi (HU): The Homestead is Not for Sale Csaba Daróczi (HU): Rows Tibor Horváth (HU): The Little Tube Dweller Tamás Koncz-Bisztricz (HU): Untitled István Palcsek (HU): Petals from the Corral Krisztina Szakolczai (HU): Doomed

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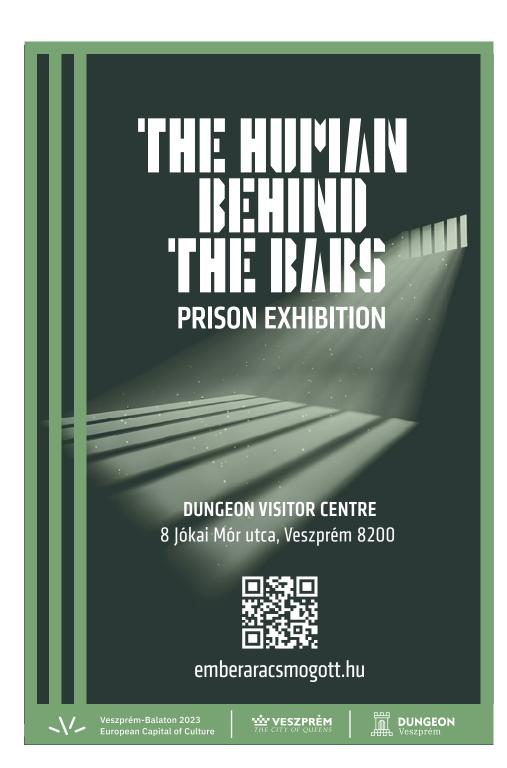
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