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Science fiction, animation and other highlights at the 17th Pornfilmfestival

On October 25, 2022, the 17th Pornfilmfestival Berlin will open at Movimiento cinema. The festival has long been an inspiration for emerging filmmakers and new international collaborations, which becomes evident right away from the opening film *NARCISSISM - The Auto-Erotic Images*. by Berlin filmmaker Toni Karat and its interviews and reflections on self-love, sex and self-awareness.

Short film programs – looking more towards the future than ever

Approximately 90 films from all over the world will be screened in 17 hand-picked short film programs. This year, two dreams of the festival curatorial team will be realized: Both a science fiction and an animation short film program will be presented at PFFB for the first time. The five science fiction shorts not only contain visions of things like a dark and rather anti-sex future, but they also showcase distinctly futuristic aesthetics and new language.

Our Animated Shorts program proves just how sexy the art form can be in 10 films, mostly from France and Germany, with outstanding technology and limitless imagination.

The traditional short film programs such as Queer Shorts, Lesbian Shorts, Gay Shorts, BDSM Shorts, Fetish Shorts, Fun Porn Shorts – also known as our ‘shorts program for beginners’ – and group sex program, The More The Merrier, also provide variety and new perspectives on sexuality, body image and boundary crossing.

This year, an international jury will again award a €500 cash prize for the best short film in the Competition Shorts program.

And this year for the first time, the new "Clublum Award" will be presented for the best experimental short film, conceived and funded by filmmaker and ‘festival mascot’ from New York, Charles Lum, who sadly passed away in 2021. The festival says goodbye to him in style with the the memorial program Charles Lum: This Is Where I Get Off.

For our retro hit, PFFB is pleased to screen the restored version of the 1972 porn classic *Deep Throat*. The film will be accompanied by the son and daughter of now-deceased director Gerard Damiano, who are there to provide plenty of background on all the scandals surrounding the film and its incredible history.

Brand new to the festival this year is the Adult Industry Only conference, a networking event that will take place on October 27 and 28 exclusively for porn industry actors.

More info: <https://pornfilmfestivalberlin.de/adult-industry-only>

Festival facts:

Pornfilmfestival Party: Friday, October 28, 11:30pm, Gretchen Club, Obentrautstr. 19-21, 10963 Berlin, tickets €10 (only at the door)

Festival-Lounge, Oct. 25.–27. and 29., doors open 10pm: Ficken 3000, Urbanstr. 70, 10967 Berlin

Awards ceremony: Sunday, 30.10. 11.30pm, Monarch Club, Skalitzer Str. 134, 10999 Berlin, free admission

Screening venues (ticket sales online or analogue):

Movimiento Kino, Kottbusser Damm 22, 10967 Berlin, <https://www.movimiento.de/>

Babylon Kreuzberg, Dresdener Straße 126, 10999 Berlin

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