

UNFINISHED HISTORIES:

The 12th Romanian Film Festival

Wed 3 Dec – Sun 6 Dec 2015 at Curzon Soho cinema

Dear Friends,

We look forward to welcoming you to Curzon Soho cinema for the 12th Romanian Film Festival in London!

Thurs 3 Dec, 6.30 pm: AFERIM! (dir Radu Jude), plus Q&A with actor Toma Cuzin

Fri 4 Dec, 6.10 pm: WHY ME? (dir Tudor Giurgiu), plus Q&A with actress Andreea Vasile

Sat 5 Dec, 6.30 pm: ONE FLOOR BELOW (dir Radu Muntean), plus Q&A with script writer Alexandru Baci

Sun 6 Dec, 3.30 pm: BOX (dir Florin Serban), plus Q&A with producer Florentina Onea

Sun 6 Dec, 6.30 pm: THE TREASURE (dir Corneliu Porumboiu), plus Q&A with actor Toma Cuzin

You can find detailed **festival brochure** here:

http://issuu.com/rofilmfestlondon/docs/rff2015_brochure_20_pages_extra_log

Here is our **festival trailer** made by Book Morph Ltd.:

<https://vimeo.com/rofilmfest/unfinishedhistories>

And, last but not least, we are happy to announce the winner of the **2015 Profusion Scholarship**, which is awarded every year during the Festival. The aim of the Profusion scholarship is to contribute to the development of emerging film makers with a Romanian background. It promotes films based on the diasporic experience and encourages the development of young film makers from the diaspora. The first scholarships were awarded to the young Romanian cinematographer Simona Susnea (2013), and to London-based Romanian film maker Maria Chiriac (2014).

The 2015 winner is Cristian Havrincea, a documentary filmmaker and camera journalist who graduated MA Screen Documentary from Goldsmiths College [2013] and BA (Hons) Media Studies from the University of West London (2012). He has recently directed and produced *Nobody's People*, a short documentary which represents the Park Lane homeless phenomenon outside of the usual stereotypes. As a UK resident for more than a decade, Cristian's focus mainly has depicted the challenges faced by those who were trying to build a new life away from their home countries. Through his work in film and for different media outlets from around the world, Cristian has always been a great promoter of Romanian values.

The Profusion Scholarship Scheme is run by Profusion International, the organisers of The Romanian Film Festival in London (RFF). Profusion is an independent organisation, a small group of passionate and dedicated individuals committed to providing an amazing display of Romanian films in the UK. RFF is a not-for-profit enterprise, functioning with the help of grants and sponsorship from numerous friends and supporters.

The 2015 Profusion Scholarship is funded in partnership with Lebara Play, the new entertainment service from Lebara.

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**UK premiere during the Romanian Film Festival in London*

Friday 4 Dec: Why Me ?/ De ce eu?

Q&A with actress Andreea Vasile

RFF FULL PROGRAMME:

Thursday 3 December 2015

6.30 pm, Curzon Soho

AFERIM!

followed by Q&A session with actor Toma Cuzin; hosted by writer Ian Haydn Smith

(director Radu Jude, Romania/Bulgaria/Czech Republic 2015, 105 mins, feature film, black & white, Romanian with English subtitles)

Synopsis: In 19th century Romania, Costandin, a policeman of the time and his son travel through the country in search of a fugitive Gypsy slave.

Tickets from <http://www.curzoncinemas.com/rff/afetim>

Friday 4 December 2015

6.10 pm, Curzon Soho

WHY ME?

followed by Q&A session with actress Andreea Vasile; hosted by writer Ian Haydn Smith

(director Tudor Giurgiu, Romania/Bulgaria/Hungary 2015, 130 mins, feature film, Romanian with English subtitles; Romanian title: De ce eu?)

Synopsis: Cristian, a young idealistic prosecutor whose career is on the rise, tries to crack a case against a senior colleague accused of corruption. The dilemma of choosing between his career and the truth weighs heavily on his shoulders. Pursuing a solution, he enters a danger zone paved with unexpected and painful revelations.

Tickets from <http://www.curzoncinemas.com/rff/whyme>

Saturday 5 December 2015

6.30 pm, Curzon Soho

ONE FLOOR BELOW

followed by Q&A session with script writer Alexandru Baciu; hosted by writer Ian Haydn Smith

(director Radu Muntean, Romania 2015, 93 mins, feature film, Romanian with English subtitles; Romanian title: Un etaj mai jos)

Synopsis: After being the sole unfortunate witness to a domestic quarrel that ends up in murder, Patrascu finds himself at odds with two very close neighbours: one is the bizarre murderer. The other is his very own conscience.

Tickets from <http://www.curzoncinemas.com/rff/onefloorbelow>

Sunday 6 December 2015

3.30 pm, Curzon Soho

BOX

followed by Q&A session with producer Florentina Onea; hosted by screen writer Mike Phillips

(director Florin Serban, Romania/Hungary 2015, 94 mins, feature film, Romanian and Hungarian with English subtitles)

Synopsis: BOX is a movie about a simple game: a game with no rules, a game in which nobody is safe. Under the pretext of a love story, BOX unfolds a coming-of-age narrative. RAFAEL and CRISTINA were never supposed to meet. He is 19, Gypsy, works in a car-wash and wants to make it big as a boxer. He lives with his grandfather and he is about to have a breakthrough as an athlete. She is 34, Hungarian, an actress in the local theatre, married, and going through a professional and personal crisis.

Tickets from <http://www.curzoncinemas.com/rff/box>

6.30 pm, Curzon Soho (99 Shaftesbury Avenue, London W1D 5DY)

THE TREASURE

followed by Q&A session with lead actor Toma Cuzin; hosted by screen writer Mike Phillips

(director Corneliu Porumboiu, Romania/France 2015, 89 mins, feature film, Romanian with

English subtitles; Romanian title: Comoara)

Tickets from <http://www.curzoncinemas.com/rff/thetreasure>

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All screenings take place at: Curzon Soho (99 Shaftesbury Avenue, London W1D 5DY)

between Thu 3 – Sun 6 Dec 2015

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