

Vesoul 15th International Film Festival of Asian Cinema
(from 10th to 17th February 2009)

The audience reached 26 000 for this 15th festival, with an increase of 8,33%

PALMARES 2009

GOLDEN CYCLO OF HONOUR sponsored by the City and Agglomeration of Vesoul to **MOHSEN MAKHMALBAF** for his entire work

GOLDEN CYCLO Award sponsored by the Conseil Régional de Franche-Comté and granted by the International Jury with Iranian actress Fatemeh Motamed-Arya, and Mrs Indu Shrikent (India), M. Li Yang (China) et M. Jeffrey Jeturian (Philippines)

"A GIFT TO STALINE" by **Roustem Abdrachev (Kazakhstan)** for its professional structure and its human message of solidarity between all ethnic people.

International Jury 's Grand Prize: "PESANTREN" by **Nurman Hakim (Indonesia)** for the use of a simple language to depict complex situations.

NETPAC Award (Network for the Promotion of Asian Cinema) represented by M. Aijaz Gul (Pakistan), Mr. Cüneyt Cebenoyan (Turkey) et Mme Marie-Claire Kuo-Quiquemelle (France) :

"DAWN OF THE WORLD" by **Abbas Fahdel (Iraq/France)** for its cinematic pace, atmosphere and representation of a dying culture in times of devastating war

Emile Guimet Award (granted by the Friends of National Museum of Asian Arts of Paris) :

"100" by **Chris Martinez (Philippines)**. The price "Emile Guimet" goes to the film "100". For his first film, Chris Martinez has chosen a serious and disturbing topic treating it in a very unusual way : humour.

Guimet Special Favourite : "A GIFT TO STALINE" by **Roustem Abdrachev (Kazakhstan)**. "A gift for Staline" is a very skilfully shot film dealing with historical facts unknown by our western world.

INALCO Jury Award (granted by the National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilisations, Paris): « **DAYTIME DRINKING** » by **Noh Young-seok (Corée)**. The INALCO jury has been touched by this paradoxical road movie where the hero loses himself instead of learning. It is a debut film with high control, full of humour and very... misty.

Langues 'O Special favourite : "GULABI TALKIES" by **Girish Kasaravalli (Inde)**. Based on a very original script, this is a sensitive portrayal of a woman with a background, evocation of modern India present contradictions.

Audience Award (granted by the city of Vesoul) **for feature films: "DAWN OF THE WORLD"** by **Abbas Fahdel (Iraq/France)**

Audience Award for documentary films(granted by the commune) : **"PERSIAN CAT WALK"** by **Marjan Alizadeh (Iran)**

Youth Award (granted by the commune): **"THE ITINERANT SCHOOL"** by **Michel Debats (France)**

High Schools Award: "A GIFT TO STALINE" by **Roustem Abdrachev (Kazakhstan)**

The awarded films will be screened at Musée Guimet of Asian Arts, Paris, on 15th and 17th April 2009.

Vesoul 16th International Film Festival of Asian Cinema will be held from 26th January to 2nd February 2010

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