

## Stockholm Visionary Award 2016 goes to director François Ozon

Stockholm Visionary Award is awarded to the French director François Ozon. He visits the festival in conjunction with the swedish premiere of hos new film *Frantz* and will meet the audience during an exclusive Face2Face.

**Justification:** This year's winner of the Stockholm Visionary Award is the subversive and distinctly poetic François Ozon. With stylistic flair and precision, Ozon is a true master at looking into our inner, always with his trademark dark satire and an introspective looking glass that is passed on to the audience during the course of the film. The 2016 Stockholm Visionary Award goes to François Ozon.

Critically acclaimed *Frantz* is an elegant love drama that was nominated for the Gold Lion previously this year in Venice and Paula Beer won a prize for her leading role. Ozon has released one film every year since his debut in 1997. Among his films are *Sitcom*, his second feature film which he competed with on Stockholm Internatinal Film Festival 1998. His most famous film is 8 *women* from 2002. The screening of *Frantz*, on Stockholm Film Festival is the first in Sweden.

**Stockholm Visionary Award** was founded in 2004 and is dedicated to visionaries within modern film. Peter Greenaway, Jacques Audiard och Wes Anderson are some of the previous winners.

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