



KOREAN GLOW AT TAMPERE FILM FESTIVAL 5-9 MARCH 2008

Tampere Film Festival's four screenings of Korean Glow programme presents fresh South Korean short films. South Korean cinema has made its breakthrough internationally.

This year a selection of films have been compiled in the programme Korean Glow. Its Six lives of Woman, Life Hurts, Men's World and Domestic Problems give the viewer an idea of the current drifts of film-making on the Korean Peninsula. Screenings have collected thematically under the titles. Six Lives of Women tells stories about women's life from a little girl to an old lady. In the screening Life Hurts they face the harsh reality, in Men's World the complicated world of men is under examination and the last screening Domestic Problems delves into the glitches of Korean family life.

Korean Glow may only scratch the surface of the new South-Korean short film in its vastness, but these four showings indeed succeed in giving an interesting peek into the Korean lifestyle. Tampere Film Festival wishes viewers an eye-opening experience with Korean Glow!

Tampere Film Festival is honoured to have several guests from South Korea. From a local independent film distributor, Indiestore. **Gina Kang**, the person responsible of international distribution of Indiestore's short films, will be attending Tampere Film Festival as a guest. Filmmakers guests are **Gyungmi Gim**, **Jung-ihn Lee**, **Young-gu Kim** and **Sung-gil Kim** who participate LAB10 competition and **Byong-yop Lee** whose film is seen in International Competition. Furthermore, the director of *Home Sweet Home*, **Hye-jung Um**, will also be seen as a member of International Jury.

There is South Korean films also in International Competition 5, where is Hyop Lee's fiction *The Pictures* (2007) and in LAB10 3 Sung-gil Kim's *The Bird* (2007).

SOUTH KOREAN FILMS AT TAMPERE FILM FESTIVAL:

Korean Glow 1: 6.3. 22.00 Plevna 5 (T14) / 8.3. 12.00 Plevna 6 (L17)

Korean Glow 2: 7.3. 22.00 Plevna 2 (K5)

Korean Glow 3: 8.3. 22.00 Tullikamari (T19)

International Competition 5: 6.3.20.00 Plevna 2 (T6) / 7.3. 12.00 Plevna 5 (P9)

LAB10 3: 7.3. 12.00 Plevna 6 (P16) / 8.3. 22.00 Hällä (L35)

Tampere Film Festival organizes an open discussion under title *Achingly Beautiful Korea* on Saturday at 16.00 in festival center Bravo Plaza. Participants are Gina Kang, Gyungmi Gim, Jung-ihn Lee and Young-gu Kim. Chairman is a journalist Jouni Hokkanen.

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