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LUCAS as guest at Filmfest Hamburg

The International Children's Film Festival LUCAS from Frankfurt/Main accepts the invitation from Filmfest Hamburg to organize this year's film programme for children and youths. Selected films from LUCAS' feature film programme will be competing for Hamburg's film prize MICHEL.

(Frankfurt on the Main/Hamburg, June 2011) The International Children's Film Festival LUCAS and Filmfest Hamburg are very much looking forward to their first cooperation ever in 2011. This year LUCAS will be presenting the best international children's films from its own festival to visitors of the prestigious Filmfest Hamburg. The most decisive factors for the invitation were – apart from the two festivals' proximity in time and the limited amount of good films for children and youths – the distinguished selection of films and their professional presentation, which have been the trademarks of LUCAS – International Children's Film Festival for years. Filmfest Hamburg's adoption of LUCAS' festival entries emphasizes once more the big reputation Frankfurt's children's film festival has in the branch.

In Frankfurt the LUCAS award for the best feature length film, endowed with EUR 7.500, is presented by a jury equally represented by children and adults. Additionally the Frankfurt public awards a moneyless prize. In Hamburg the film premieres have to pass the critical views of a children's jury. In 2011 the MICHEL, endowed with EUR 5.000 and sponsored by Zieglerfilm Köln, will be presented for the 8th time.

The programmes for this year's LUCAS International Children's Film Festival in Frankfurt and the MICHEL Children and Youth Film Festival in Hamburg will be announced in mid July and August respectively.

A brief introduction to the festivals:

About LUCAS

LUCAS is Germany's oldest children's film festival. The international competition is concentrated on high-quality cinema productions from all over the world. With this special focus the festival offers an important overview for insiders of the branch and specialised journalists. LUCAS AKTIV offers a widespread supporting programme specialised on conveying film culture and media competence to children. Further information concerning the festival's programme, workshops and events can be found online from July onwards.

www.lucasfilmfestival.de

The 34th International Children's Film Festival LUCAS will take place from September 4th until September 11th 2011 in Frankfurt/Main and will be hosted by Deutsches Filminstitut – DIF e.V. in the Deutsches Filmmuseum.

LUCAS – International Children's Film Festival is sponsored by:

The City of Frankfurt, the Federal Government's Commissioner for Culture and Media, the Hessian Ministry of Science and Art, the Hessen Film Fund, Saalbau GmbH and the City of Eschborn.

About Filmfest Hamburg

Filmfest Hamburg is Germany's third largest film festival entertaining over 40 000 people each autumn and showing around 120 national and international productions, each of them being an international, a European or a German premiere. The programme's array spreads from sophisticated arthouse cinema to innovative mainstream cinema. As an important venue for both film enthusiasts and the film industry, the films in Hamburg are often presented by the filmmakers in person. For further information please visit

www.filmfesthamburg.de

The 19th Filmfest Hamburg will take place from September 29th until October 8th 2011.

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