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| **Russian Film Week 2020 is going online!** |

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| Russian Film Week has today announced its new fully online programme. The digital event will run from 6th December to 13th December, presenting 8 feature films, 2 documentaries and 17 shorts. The RFW will provide live co-watching events using cutting edge technology and allowing a mix of a live film screening, Q&As and film discussions, bringing you a virtual cinema experience. “in the last four years, Russian Film Week has made it into the top five of the United Kingdom’s biggest nationally focused film festivals. Despite the global pandemic, it was important for us to hold the festival this year. I am delighted to present - Russian Film Week Online Edition. I am especially pleased to have the opportunity to expand our festival to new audiences outside of the UK, building cross-cultural bridges between Russia and the rest of the world,” said Filip Perkon, Founder and General Producer of Russian Film Week.The festival will be opened by the drama *The Whaler Boy*, followed by a Q&A with the director Philipp Yuriev and producer Alexey Uchitel. The closing film *One Breath* will be presented by film director Elena Khazanova. Both films will be shown at <https://watchbeem.com> in a co-watch formar, whilst the rest of the content is available on free VOD through the festival website.Apart from the films, the festival offers a variety of masterclasses from renown European and Russian actor, filmmaker and producer Danila Kozlovsky and acclaimed writer Dmitry Glukhovsky.On December 9, the RFW will host the Casting Bridge, an online event gathering actors, casting directors and filmmakers from Russia, Europe and the UK. FEATURES (Director, Region Available):1. Kalashnikov (dir.K.Buslov), UK and Europe2. The Whaler Boy (dir. F.Yuriev), UK3. One Breath (dir. E.Khazanova), UK4. Tsoy (dir.A.Uchitel), UK5. Ice 2 (dir. Z.Kryzhovnikov),UK6. Seven Wishes (dir. D. Charusha), UK and Europe7. Hotel Belgrade (dir. K. Statskiy), UK8. Lethal Illusions (dir. O. Asadulin),UKDOCS (Director, Region Available)1. From Kurils with Love (dir. Taylor Rees), All world2. Brain. Evolution (dir.Y.Kiseleva), UKSHORTS (Director, Region Available)1. Soup (dir. I. Sukhorukova), UK2. The Gift (dir. R. Kudoyarov), UK and Europe3. Friends (dir. T. Ivashkina), UK4. Stream (dir. A. Dianova), UK5. The Right to Life (dir. O. Koleva), UK and Europe6. 16/8 (dir. Sasha Paracels) / 16/8, UK and Europe7. Thank you, Coach! (dir. N. Tarasov), UK and Europe8. Meshes (dir. N. Sadokov), UK and Europe9. It’s Said (dir. N. Jakovleva), UK10. The Important Day (dir. Olesia Aleinikova), UK11. Sulphur (dir. Lana Vlady), UK12. Thank you! (dir. Maria Shulgina), UK and Europe13. Talent (dir. O. Ageychev), UK and Europe14. The Robbers Losers (dir. A. Bulatov),UK15. It doesn’t matter (dir. Revaz Gigineishvili),UK and Europe16. Nuartier (dir. E. Scherbakova), Worldwide17. The Witch & the Baby (dir. E. Golubeva), UKPlease note that all of the films included in the program will be shown in the UK, some in Europe, and some around the world. Some of the films will be available for viewing throughout the week (from 6.12 to 13.12), the other part will be shown only once - according to the schedule. Access to viewings is free, with the exception of opening and closing movies. Registration is mandatory.Schedule of screenings and Q&As is at <http://www.russianfilmweek.org/index.php?id=63&year=2020&pageid=3&parent=21>Russian Film Week was founded in 2016 by Filip Perkon (Perkon Productions Ltd.) General sponsor – Kaspersky Lab, Partner – Synergy Corporation, Media Partner – http://www.kinometro.ru/Official poster of the festival – [https://1drv.ms/u/s!AuebCG4msnLC3wF\_XdRIPgY3j56n?e=X48b2q](https://1drv.ms/u/s%21AuebCG4msnLC3wF_XdRIPgY3j56n?e=X48b2q) Official trailer - <https://youtu.be/CpwS5iQqeB0>Official trailer for downloads - [https://1drv.ms/v/s!AuebCG4msnLC3Wxt4D9nFnPHTwYA?e=cGZr74](https://1drv.ms/v/s%21AuebCG4msnLC3Wxt4D9nFnPHTwYA?e=cGZr74)Stills from films [https://1drv.ms/u/s!AuebCG4msnLC3Bm8p4wtWuJwNPpK?e=UtilnL](https://1drv.ms/u/s%21AuebCG4msnLC3Bm8p4wtWuJwNPpK?e=UtilnL)Tickets for the opening and closing films will be available at <http://www.russianfilmweek.org/> soonFor Media inquiries and press accreditation, please contact Maria Razumova at: Razumova@russianfilmweek.org |