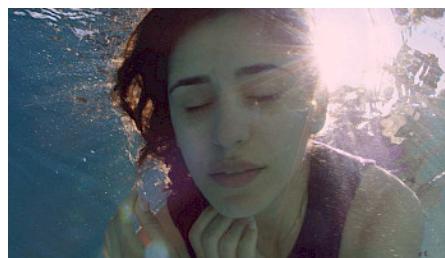




# BORN IN EVIN

by Marayam Zaree



## SYNOPSIS

Born in Evin follows filmmaker and actress, Maryam Zaree, on her quest to find out the violent circumstances surrounding her birth inside one of the most notorious political prisons in the world. Exactly forty years have passed since the monarchy of the Shah of Iran was toppled and the Islamic Republic declared. In the 1980's Ayatollah Khomeini, the so-called religious leader, had tens of thousands of political opponents arrested, persecuted and murdered. Among them the filmmaker's parents who, after years in prison, managed to seek asylum in Germany. The family never talked about their persecution and imprisonment. Maryam Zaree faces the decades-long silence and explores her own questions about the place and the circumstances of her birth.

She meets other survivors, talks to experts and looks for the children born in the same prison. She tries to find answers to her personal and political questions. What are the personal consequences of persecution and violence when the same...

## FESTIVALS

2016

Participant of the 12th International DOK Leipzig Co-Pro Market

2019

Seal of Approval 'highly recommended'

Compass-Perspektive-Award for the best film in the programme of 69th BERLINALE, Perspektive Deutsches Kino IFFF Dortmund | Köln 2019

26 Hot Docs Toronto

ominated for German Documentary Award 2019 - SWR DOKU FESTIVAL

awarded at FEST- New Directors New Films Festival in Portugal:

Audience Award

Cineuropa Audience Award for Best Feature Film

Golden Lucy - International Feature Film Competition

Germany, Austria 2019

100 min

## FORMAL CATEGORIES

Family, Children / Youth, Human Rights, Migration, POV, Social issues

## ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

Farsi, English, French, German

## PREMIERE

Berlin, Germany (2019)

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## FILM LOCATION

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