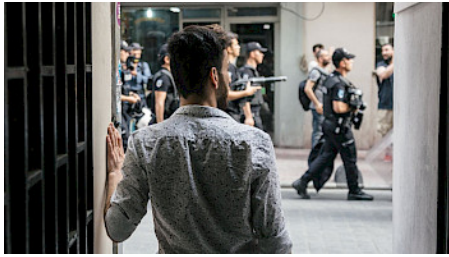




MR GAY SYRIA

by Ayse Toprak



SYNOPSIS

Mr. Gay Syria follows two gay Syrian refugees who are trying to rebuild their lives. Husein is a barber in Istanbul living a double life between his conservative family and his gay identity. Mahmoud is the founder of Syria's LGBTI movement and is a refugee in Berlin. What brings them together is a dream: to participate in an international beauty contest as an escape from their trapped lives and an answer to their invisibility. Will the dream come true or will the refugee crisis and the harsh consequences of being gay in the Muslim world shatter it to pieces?

FESTIVALS

IFF Sheffield DOC|FEST (Weltpremiere)
Human Rights Award beim Sarajevo IFF
Special Mention der Jury beim LGBTQI-Festival REAL LOVERS FF / Turin
Silver Hugo beim Chicago IFF
Ocana Award to Freedom beim Sevilla FF
Best European Documentary beim Tirana IFF
Grand Prix beim LGBT-Festival Chéries Chéris / Paris
Special Mention for Human Rights Film im Impact Competition beim Verzio IHRDFF
Hofer Filmtage (Germanpremiere)
IDFA, Amsterdam
exground filmfest, Wiesbaden, Frankfurt
Tüpisch Türkisch, Köln
QUEERSICHT, LGBT-Filmfestival Bern
BERLIN & BEYOND
MoMA's Doc Fortnight
20th Thessaloniki Documentary Festival

CAST AND CREW

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Biographie/Portrait, Current Affairs, Human Rights, Migration, Politics, Social issues

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