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Cem Bender

SILENT

A SHORT FILM BY

L.Rezan Yeşilbaş







L.REZAN YEŞİLBAŞ

Born in 1977, he graduated from the Cinema-TV department of Marmara University in 2008.

His short film "Hüküm" (Judgement) was the first film of his "Trilogy of Women". Hukum has been screened in many national and international film festivals. He shot "Sessiz/Be Deng" (Silent) in 2011 which is the second film of the trilogy. He has also written the script of the third film of the trilogy.

L.Rezan Yeşilbaş also works as the assistant of Turkish director Zeki Demirkubuz since 2008.

| TITLE OF MOVIES | DİRECTOR | PRODUCER | | DATE OF PRODUCTION | TİTLE |
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| YERALTI (INSİDE) | Zeki Demirkubuz | Zeki Demirkubuz | Feature | 2012 | First asistance of director |
| SESSİZ / BE DENG (SILENT) | Rezan Yeşilbaş | Rezan Yeşilbaş | Short Film (feature) HD | 2012 | Director Scriptwriter |
| BABAMIN SESİ (VOICE OF MY FATHER) | Orhan Eskiköy/ Zeynel Doğan | Perişan Film | Feature | 2011 | Executive Producer |
| UNUTMA BENİ İSTANBUL (DON'T FORGET ME İSTANBUL) | Different director from around the world | Hüseyin Karabey – Sevilay Demirci | Feature | 2010 | Executive Producer |
| KISKANMAK (ENVY) | Zeki Demirkubuz | Kara Film | Feature | 2008 | Executive Producer |
| HÜKÜM (THE JUDGEMENT) | Rezan Yeşilbaş | Rezan Yeşilbaş | Short Film (feature) 35m | 2008 | Director Scriptwriter |

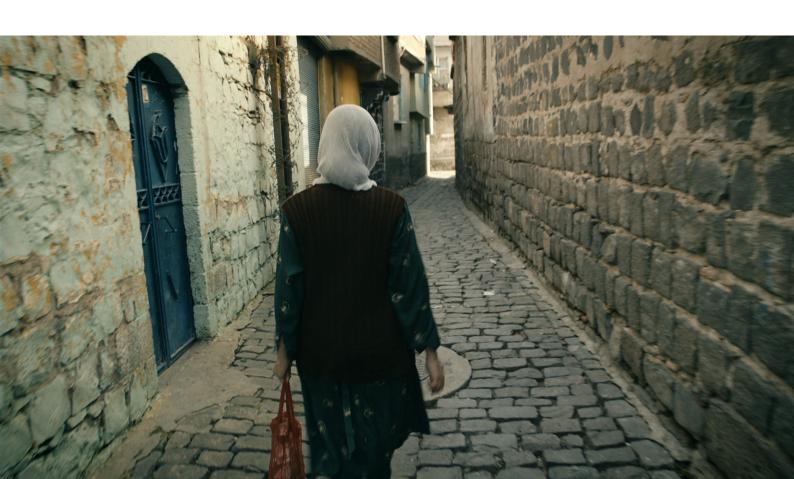
"SILENT" FROM TURKEY COMPETES IN CANNES

"Sessiz / Be Deng" (Silent) directed by Rezan Yeşilbaş from Turkey has been selected for the Official Short Films Competition at the prestigious Festival de Cannes 2012, (16th–27th of May).

Silent is produced and written by Rezan Yeşilbaş and it is the second film of his "Woman Trilogy". The film takes place in Diyarbakır in 1984, it is about a young woman who wants to visit her husband in prison. Yesilbas says about the film:

"The prison of Diyarbakır, the setting of the story, is like the symbol of the torture experienced in the prisons in Turkey afer the coup d'etat of 1980. However, in this story, I did not choose to tell the things that took place in the prison, or the political prisoners or the torture, or the political fight. Instead, I turned my camera to the little stories of the "silent" women outside the prison, who could not speak another language than Kurdish, which was forbidden in the prisons of that era."

The screening at Cannes will mark Silent's world premiere. Silent won production fund from Ministry of Culture of Republic of Turkey It won Akbank Short Film Competition "Best Film Prize" in Turkey, as well.



SESSIZ / BE DENG (SILENT)

(14.21 mins)

Crew

Director - Scriptwriter: L. Rezan Yeşilbaş Producer: L.Rezan Yeşilbaş

Cast: Belçim Bilgin, Cem Bender

Cinematographer: Türksoy Gölebeyi

Art Director: Tuba Ataç

Editing: Buğra Dedeoğlu – Rezan Yeşilbaş

Synopsis

The year is 1984. Zeynep, who lives in Diyarbakır with her three children, wants to visit her husband in prison. Zeynep is only able to speak her mother tongue 'Kurdish'; however, only the Turkish language is allowed to be spoken in prison, so she's unable to utter a word there. On the other hand, she wants to bring a new pair of shoes to her husband but it's forbidden to bring anything to prisoners from outside...

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