

The Zurich Film Festival has shared its numbers with SWAN, to follow up on its commitments on gender equality after signing the SWAN pledge.

1) Official Selection of the Zurich Film Festival 2020

2887 films/series were part of the selection process. A total number of 145 feature films/series are presented in the 2020 official selection. They are screened in 12 different sections: Focus Competition (12 films), Feature Film Competition (14 films), Documentary Competition (12 films), Gala Premieres (35 films), Special Screenings (17 films), New World View France (13 films), Border Lines (7 films), Window Hong Kong (4 films), Window San Sebastián (4 films), Hashtag #GetUpStandUp (8 films), Series (9 shows) and ZFF for Kids (10 films). Retrospective films are not included in this total number of films.

2) Organization of the Zurich Film Festival

a) Board Members

The Board Members of the Zurich Film Festival AG are composed of 2 women and 2 men (50% women): Felix E. Müller (president, M), Nadja Schildknecht (W), Seta Thakur (W), Karl Spoerri (M)

b) Direction

The Direction is composed of 1 woman and 1 man (50% women): Managing Director SMP AG Elke Mayer (W) and Artistic Director Christian Jungen (M)

c) Selection Committee

6 women are part of the Programming Committee (Christine Albrecht, Kaja Eggenschwiler, Anja Fröhner, Reta Guetg, Iria Gutscher, Yvonne Augustin) as well as 3 men (Aurel Graf, Georg Bütler, Christian Jungen) (66.7 % women)

The group of delegates consists of 2 women (Lena Vurma, Wendy Mitchell) and 2 men (Arnaud Gourmelen, Michael Aust) (50% women)

d) Juries

Focus Competition: 3 women, 2 men: Angelina Maccaronne (Jury President, W), Edna Epelbaum (W), Sabine Moser (W), Francesco Rizzi (M), Dan Wechsler (M)

Feature Film Competition: 1 woman, 2 men: Ellen Harrington (W), Michel Franco (Jury President, M), Karim Aïnouz (M)
Documentary Competition: 2 women, 1 man: Gabriela Bussmann (W), Susanne Regina Meures (W), Vitaly Mansky (Jury President, M)

e) Female Directors in the Selection Process

- 33% of the directors whose films were considered to be part of the ZFF selection were women

f) Selected Female Directors

- 40% of the directors whose films were selected to be part of the 2020 ZFF were women

3) Total Number of Female Directors in the 2020 Official Selection per Section:

Competition

- 7/12 in Focus Competition
- 8/14 in Feature Film Competition (1 of those being a female co-director)
- 6/12 in Documentary Competition (1 of those being a female co-director)

Total Competition: 55.3% female directors (21/38 films)

Out of Competition

- 9/35 in Gala Premieres
- 4/17 in Special Screenings (1 of those being a female co-director)
- 5/13 in New World View France
- 3/7 in Border Lines (1 of those being a female co-director)
- 1/4 in Window Hong Kong
- 4/4 in Window San Sebastián
- 5/8 in Hashtag #GetUpStandUp (1 of those being a female co-director)
- 6/9 in Series (2 of those being female co-creators)
- 3/10 in ZFF for Kids

Total Out of Competition: 37.4% female directors (40/107 films)

Total all films/series

61 female directors and 92 male directors (total number of directors: 153) | 39.9% female directors (including co-directions)