

JAN-ERIC MACK

CURRICULUM VITAE

Jan-Eric Mack was born in Trüllikon in 1983. He was trained as a graphic designer. From 2005 he worked as a graphic designer for various studios. In 2009 he changed to the Zurich University of the Arts, ZHdK and attended the bachelor's program in film.

During his studies he has already made several award-winning short films, which have been shown at over a hundred festivals worldwide. With the short film *Ronaldo* (co-directed by Jan Mettler), he won the young talent award for best Swiss short film at the Solothurn Film Festival in 2010. His diploma film *Alfonso* celebrated its premiere in 2013 at the 66th Festival del film Locarno and won the Cinema e Gioventù Award in the Pardi di domani competition.

In the fall of 2014, he began master's studies in feature film directing at the Zurich University of the Arts, graduating in 2017 with the film *Facing Mecca*. The film won a Student Academy Award in 2017, the Swiss Film Award in 2018 and made it to the shortlist of the 90th Academy Awards (Oscars) in the category „Live Action Shorts.“

In 2018, he co-directed the 2nd season alongside Pierre Monnard of the TV series *WILDER*. In 2020, he directed the 3rd season, which aired in Januar 2021. In collaboration with Dschoint Ventschr Filmproduktion and C-Films AG he is currently developing the scripts for the two feature films *Zivilisten* and *wie unsichtbar (AT)*. Jan-Eric is currently in pre-production for a new TV series. He lives in Zurich and works as a freelance director and writer for feature films and commercials.

FILMOGRAPHY (SELECTION)

- 2021 **Wie unsichtbar (AT)** feature film, 90 min., C-Films (in development, funded)
ALDI Wie machen die das nur? 9 commercials, Solid & Hallerfilm, 9×30sec
WILDER III series, 6 episodes à 58 min., C-Films & Panimage & SRF
- 2020 **Zivilisten** feature film, 100 min., Dschoint Ventschr (in development, funded)
WILDER II series, 6 Episoden à 58min., C-Films & Panimage & SRF (Co-director)
- 2019 **ALDI Christmas** TV und Kino-Commercial, Solid&Haller Film, 60sec
- 2018 **ALDI Qualität** commercial, Solid & Hallerfilm, 30sec
ALDI Genuss commercial, Solid & Hallerfilm, 30sec
- 2017 **Facing Mecca** short film, ZHdK, 27min
Kurzfilmtage Winterthur commercial, Filmgerberei, 30sec
Swisscom 1Gbit/s commercial, Maybaum Film, 30sec
- 2016 **Peripherie** feature film (episode Sonam), ZHdK, 83min
ZVV Fahrplanwechsel commercial, tbd, 45sec
- 2015 **King** short film, ZHdK, 24 Min.
Sozialwerke Sieber-Menschen auf der Strasse commercial, Markenfilm, 60sec
- 2014 **Wandelzeit - Eine Gletscherperformance** short film, 20min
- 2013 **Alfonso** short film, ZHdK, 19min
- 2012 **Island** short film, ZHdK, 20min
- 2011 **Magnetfelder.** short film, ZHdK, 11min
- 2010 **Ronaldo,** short film, ZHdK, 6min (Co-Director)

JAN-ERIC MACK AWARDS

Facing Mecca

- Swiss Film Award, CH | Best Short Film | 2018
- 90th Academy Awards (Oscars), US | shortlisted for best live action short film | 2018
- Student Academy Awards (Oscars), US | Silver medal in narrative international | 2017
- Palm Springs International Shortfest, US | Best of festival award / 2017
- Palm Springs International Shortfest, US | Best student live action over 15 minutes | 2017
- First Steps - Upcoming Film Makers, DE | Best medium length film nomination | 2017
- Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur, CH | Audience Award | 2017
- Saint Cloud Film Fest, US | Jury Award | 2017
- Fargo Film Festival, US | Best student film | 2018
- Destiny City Film Festival, US | «Excellence Narrative in Short Storytelling» Award | 2018
- 20th Ismailia International Film Festival, Egypt | Jury Prize, Best Short Film | 2018
- 51st WorldFest-Houston Film Festival, US | Remi Winner | 2018
- Studio Hamburg Nachwuchspreis, DE | Best short film (nomination) | 2018
- 60th RIFF Rochester International Film Festival, US | Silver Shoestring Award 2018
- 13th European Independent Film Festival ÉCU, F | Best Student Award | 2018
- Mud Film Awards, IT | Best Short live action | 2018
- DC Shorts, US | Audience Awards: Outstanding international Narrative | 2018
- CILECT PRIZE - Association of film and television schools | Best Fiction | 2018
- Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival, AUS | Best Short Film | 2018
- 7th Evolution Mallorca international Film Festival, ESP | Special Mention | 2018
- FILMZ Festival des deutschen Kinos, DE | Bester Film, Mittellängen-Wettbewerb | 2018
- 21e Nuit du Court de Lausanne, CH / Prix RTS du public de la Tournée | 2018
- Filmfestival Friedrichshafen, Publikumspreis für bester Kurzfilm | 2019
- 9th Arlington International Film Festival, US | Best Narrative Short | 2019
- Algiers International Film Festival, DZA | Big prize in the short film category | 2019

ALDI Suisse Christmas

- EDI - Swiss award for advertisement and corporate films | shortlist | 2017
- EPICA Awards | shortlist | 2017
- YDA Young director award | shortlist | 2017

International Shortfilm Festival Winterthur

- EDI - Swiss award for advertisement and corporate films | Special Edi | 2017
- Grand Prix Vicotria, Wirtschaftsfilmtage Wien, AT | Prix Victoria in Gold | 2018

Wandelzeit - Eine Gletscherperformance

- Cadrage - Zurich Film Awards | Short film award of the city of Winterthur | 2014
- Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur | Best cinematography, Aurelio Buchwalder | 2014
- Festival international du film sur les glaciers Geneve | Audience Award | 2018

Alfonso

- Festival del film Locarno, Pardi di domani competition | Cinema e Gioventù award | 2013
- Shortynale Shortfilmfestival, AUT / Award for best shortfilm | 2015
- Cadrage - Zurich Film Awards | Succès Zürcher Filmstiftung - Best shortfilm | 2014
- International festival of film schools „KINOPROBA“, RU | Jury Award | 2014
- Shnit International Shortfilmfestival | Best of festival award (nomination) | 2013
- Zurich University of the Arts, ZHdK | Förderpreis | 2013
- Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur | Special mention | 2013

Island

- Schweizer Jugendfilmtage | Jurypreis | 2013

Magnetfelder

- International Fantastic Film Festival Neuchâtel | Prix Taurus Studio à l'innovation | 2012
- Schweizer Jugendfilmtage | Bronze award | 2012
- Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur, CH | Special mention | 2012

Ronaldo

- Solothurner Filmtage | Suissimage award for best shortfilm | 2010
- VGIK Moskau, RU | Best shortfilm | 2010
- Shortfilm Festival Varese, IT | Jury Award | 2010
- Gässli Film Festival Basel | Best shortfilm | 2010
- Shortfilms Long Night Festival LA, USA | Audience award | 2010
- Upcoming Film Makers, Lucerne film awards | Bronze award | 2010