

Press Release

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Kryštof – a new Czecho-Slovak film about faith, hope, and sacrifice – had a red-carpet preview event at Prague IFF – Febiofest

On Monday 20 September, the 28th Prague International Film Festival – Febiofest has entered the second half of its programme with a big film event: the world preview of the new Czech-Slovak coproduced film **Kryštof**. The director **Zdeněk Jiráský**, actors **Mikuláš Bukovjan**, **David Uzsák**, **Stanislav Majer**, and producers **Marian Urban** and **Olga Raitoralová** were among the red-carpet delegation presenting the film.

Czechoslovakia in the era of the harshest Stalinism. Young Kryštof lives as a fresh postulant in a community of monks. In addition to silent prayers, he is also involved in the illegal transfer of people fleeing to Germany. He had wanted to run from the world and hide away in a monastery... And now he must run for his life.

For the leading roles, Zdeněk Jiráský chose **Mikuláš Bukovjan** and **Alexandra Borbély**, who holds a European Actress award from the 2017 European Film Awards for her performance in the Hungarian drama *On Body and Soul*. The stellar cast of *Kryštof* continues with David Uzsák, Luboš Veselý, Stanislav Majer, Eva Josefíková, Éva Bandor, Peter Šimun, Ondřej Malý, Petr Stach and Elizaveta Maximová, among others. "*Our film might speak especially to viewers who are interested in stories from the 20th century, aware of the difficult parts of our recent history, and sensitive to injustice. I can promise them an emotive experience, hopefully, through the life story of one young man who was looking for his place in the world at the wrong time and under the wrong circumstances," Zdeněk Jiráský commented.*

Further screenings of *Kryštof* at Prague IFF – Febiofest are scheduled for **21 and 22 September**, as well as later dates in **Děčín, Beroun, Zlín and Ostrava** during the Febiofest Regions tour.

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