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THIS YEAR'S FEBIOFEST REGIONS TOUR OFFICIALLY ENDED AT A CLOSING NIGHT IN OSTRAVA

THE 28TH PRAGUE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL – FEBIOFEST HAS ENDED

On Saturday 9 October 2021, the Febiofest Regions Tour, which brings the Febiofest programme to regions around the Czech Republic, was officially closed in Ostrava. This year's Febiofest was moved to the autumn due to pandemic restrictions, however the organizers plan on returning the festival to its usual spring dates next year.

The **Regions Tour**, which started on 21 September, had stops in Olomouc, Prostějov, Hradec Králové, České Budějovice, Brno, Beroun, Děčín, Zlín, Liberec, and Ostrava. Viewers in all ten cities enjoyed intense encounters with the best of current cinema. "We were very pleased to see people coming back to our festival, the complicated circumstances notwithstanding. Attendance was significantly higher than last year, so the energy put in by so many people on our team is coming back through our satisfied festivalgoers, " says **Marta Švecová Lamperová**, the Artistic and Executive Director of Prague IFF – Febiofest.

THE OSTRAVA PART OF THE FEBIOFEST TOUR, WHICH TOOK PLACE ON 7-9 OCTOBER IN THE DOLNÍ VÍTKOVICE INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX, OFFERED SCREENINGS OF SEVEN FESTIVAL FILMS, AS WELL AS AN EXCITING ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME WITH MANY GUESTS.

Film director **Jakub Kohák** and actresses **Bára Jánová** and **Aneta Klimešová** ran interesting workshops for children. The screening of the new Czech film *Repulse*, starring Ostrava-born actor **Štěpán Kozub**, was introduced by a full delegation of filmmakers and actors, who presented the film and held a Q&A with viewers afterwards. Director **Radim Špaček**, screenwriter **Zdeněk Zapletal**, creative producer **Kateřina Ondřejková**, and main star **Petra Špalková** introduced the new Czech Television-produced series *Stíny v mlze* (Shadows in the Fog), which had its official premiere in Ostrava. The closing ceremony on Friday 8 October was attended by celebrities such as **Iva Pazderková**, **Martina Babišová**, **Aneta Klimešová**, **Bára Jánová**, or the Ostrava-based improv group **Three Tigers**. The last evening was crowned with the premiere of *Karel*, a long-awaited documentary about legendary Czech singer Karel Gott, at the 200-seat Science and Technology Center screening hall.

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