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CINÉFEST SUDBURY ANNOUNCES FINAL SELECTIONS FOR THE 2019 AUDIENCE CHOICES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SUDBURY – Cinéfest Sudbury is pleased to unveil its final selections for the 31st edition's Audience Choices from Around the World.

Aurora [Miia Tervo, Finland, 2019, LevelK]

Starring: Mimosa Willamo, Amir Escandari, Oona Airola, Hannu-pekka Björkman, Miitta Sorvali, Chike Ohanwe, Ria Kataja, Pamela Tola

One night at a hot-dog stand in Finnish Lapland, a commitment-phobic party animal, Aurora (Willamo), meets Darian (Escandari). Darian is Iranian and needs to marry a Finnish woman to get asylum for himself and his daughter and he soon asks Aurora to marry him. She turns him down, but after meeting his sweet daughter, she agrees to help and as she introduces numerous women to Darian, the two of them grow close. When the perfect wife candidate comes along, Darian and Aurora are faced with a difficult choice: pretend to be happy or to finally stop running.

Binti [Frederike Migom, Belgium/Netherlands, 2019, LevelK] Starring: Bebel Tshiani Baloji, Mo Bakker, Joke Devynck, Baloji, Tatyana Beloy

Twelve-year-old Binti (Baloji) lives with her father in Belgium while Elias (Bakker) lives with his mother. When Elias is angry with his mother for dating an annoying neighbour, he runs away to his treehouse where he is soon joined by Binti and her father who are on sent on the run by police for not having legal documents. When their parents meet shortly after, Binti quickly sees the perfect solution to all her problems and plans to make their parents fall in love so they can get married and stay in Belgium, until Elias finds out what Binti is really up to.

Grâce à Dieu (By the Grace of God) [François Ozon, France/Belgium, 2019, MK2 MILE END] Starring: Melvil Poupaud, Denis Ménochet, Swann Arlaud, Éric Caravaca

When Alexandre (Poupaud) learns that the priest who abused him when he was younger is still working with children, he decides to take action. After the Church refuses to defrock the priest, attempts to take legal action are hampered by the statute of limitations. Alexandre is joined by two other victims and the three band together to "lift the burden of silence" surrounding their ordeal. The repercussions and consequences will leave no one unscathed.

Superchamp Returns (Superjhemp retörns) [Félix Koch, Luxembourg, 2018, Morefilms] Starring: André Jung, Désirée Nosbusch, Etienne Halsdorf

Years after the mysterious disappearance of "Superchamp" (Jung), the legendary Luxembourg superhero who gains his powers by eating the local delicatessen of "cooked cheese", the tiny country is in great danger. In order to save crown and country from a cosmic catastrophe, the Superchamp, now a civil servant in a midlife crisis, has to find his lost superpowers once more and face his biggest fear: his family.

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> All Audience Choices from Around the World screenings will take place at SilverCity Sudbury Cinemas, located at 355 Barrydowne Rd.

> The 31st edition of Cinéfest Sudbury International Film Festival runs from September 14 – 22, 2019.

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