Press Release



Happy Birthday Berlinale!

Famous film festival celebrates its 60th anniversary

Berlin, January 27th, 2010 The Berlinale, the most popular film festival in the world open to the public, will celebrate its sixtieth anniversary this year with an unusual program. From 11th to 21st February 2010 one particular focus will be the retrospectives. Under the motto "Play it again...!", visitors can turn their gaze back on the six decades of the Berlinale.

The most famous, most sensational, and most beautiful films in the history of the festival will be shown once more. These include *Breathless* from Jean-Luc Godard, which premiered in 1960, and Paul Thomas Anderson's *Magnolia*, which was awarded the Golden Bear in the year 2000.

The highlight for film aficionados is a screening of the entire, complete version of *Metropolis*, the first since 1927. The film was fully restored and will be shown in the Friedrichstadtpalast with musical accompaniment by the Berlin Radio Symphony Orchestra.

Starting February 8th tickets are available at the Service Hotline 030 / 25 00 25 of Berlin Tourism Marketing GmbH (BTM) and in the four BTM-infostores (Hauptbahnhof main railway station-North Entrance, Neues Kranzler Eck- Kurfürstendamm Passage, Brandenburg Gate-South Wing, Alexa Shopping Center-Alexanderplatz).

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