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DOCUMENTARY AWARD GOES TO THE SOUND OF INSECTS – Record of a Mummy

The European Film Academy proudly announces that the award

EUROPEAN FILM ACADEMY DOCUMENTARY 2009 – Prix ARTE

goes to the film

THE SOUND OF INSECTS – Record of a Mummy

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In co-operation with the European culture channel ARTE, the European Film Academy annually honours an outstanding achievement in documentary filmmaking. The recipient of the award is chosen by an independent jury, whose members this year were documentary filmmaker Nino Kirtadzé from France/Georgia, Austrian producer and ORF editor Franz Grabner and Russian documentary filmmaker Viktor Kossakovsky. Upon the invitation of the city of Vilnius the jury members screened all ten nominated films and decided on the winner on site.

The jury decided to give the award to THE SOUND OF INSECTS „for its skillful exploration of minimalistic means to create an extraordinary visual story between life and death“.

In association with the European culture channel ARTE, the winner will be presented at the 22nd European Film Awards Ceremony on Saturday, 12 December, in Bochum/Germany.

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