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Stockholm Visionary Award - Gus Van Sant Receives His Award and Meets the Audience

This year's Visionary Award recipients, Gus Van Sant, will attend the festival to receive his Award and meet the festival audience in a Face2Face. Furthermore he presents the screening of his masterpiece *On the way to Idaho* and exposes his portrait photographs in an exclusive exhibition at Fotografiska.

Motivation: *With a heart that beats for society's outsiders, Gus Van Sant has journeyed from the streets of Portland, to riots in San Francisco, through empty high-school hallways, and down desolate highways along the way to Idaho. He has shown us an America on the other side of the looking glass —a mirror world, both familiar and startlingly alien, designed by a true visionary filmmaker with the sensibility of the poet.*

November 20th Gus Van Sant receives Stockholm Visionary Award at the cinema Skandia where he will be interviewed by the film nestor Stig Björkman during an hour-long Face2Face. But the festival audience will be able to meet Gus Van Sant already on November 18th when he presents *On the way to Idaho* at the cinema Sture.

Already November 11th the exhibition "One Step Big Shot" at Fotografiska in Stockholm. It's a serie of photographs taken with a polaroid camera and begun as a spontaneous documentation by different screen tests but has developed to a down scaled collection of portraits by young amateurs and famous Hollywood actors like Nicole Kidman, John Travolta, Keanu Reeves and Drew Barrymore, among others...

Stockholm Visionary Award

When: Saturday, November 20th, 6 pm

Where: Skandia Theatre (Drottninggatan 82)

On the way to Idaho

When: Thursday, November 18th, 12 pm

Where: Sture Theatre (Birger Jarlsgatan 41)

One Step Big Shot

When: Thursday, November 11 – 5 december

Where: Fotografiska (Stadsgårdshamnen 22)

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21st Stockholm International Film Festival November 17-28 2010.

The Stockholm International Film Festival started in 1990 and is today one of the leading competitive film festival in Europe. The festival takes place every year in November with more than 180 films from more than 50 countries.

More than a festival: we organize exclusive screenings and the popular Summer Cinema - an outdoor mini-festival.

Every year in April the Stockholm International Film Festival Junior brings the latest films to youngsters between 6 and 16 years of age.

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