

The Witch Hunters

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“ 10-year-old Jovan is often escaping the reality to immerse himself into a fantasy world. It all changes when he befriends his new classmate Milica and the adventure to hunt her 'witch' stepmother starts. ”



Synopsis

10-year-old Jovan has had cerebral palsy for as long as he can remember. His condition has shaped his everyday life and made him think of himself as invisible to others – particularly his parents and classmates. In the world of his imagination, however, to which he escapes frequently, he is free to be who he wants and possesses the hero superpowers that everybody dreams of.

Jovan's (extra)ordinary existence is suddenly shaken up by a new classmate, Milica. Bit by bit, brave and determined Milica tears down the wall that Jovan has built around himself and eventually invites him to join her on a real life adventure – to liberate her father from his new wife, Milica's stepmother, whom she believes is a witch.

The quest offers Jovan a reality beyond anything he could have imagined, but in order to become a true hero Jovan first has to learn to accept himself for who he is.

Credits

Director: Rasko Miljkovic / **Genre:** Family, adventure / **Original title:** Zlogonje / **English title:** The Witch Hunters / **Country of production:** Serbia, Macedonia / **Year of production:** 2018 / **Length:** 86 min / **Color:** color / **Shooting format:** HD / **Screening format:** 2K DCP (1:2,39) / **Original language:** Serbian / **Subtitles:** English / **Cast:** Mihajlo Milavic, Silma Mahmuti / **Scriptwriter:** Marko Manojlovic, Milos Kreckovic / **Director of photography:** Miksa Andjelic / **Editor:** Djordje Markovic / **Sound design:** Aleksandar Protic, Dane Vlaisavljevic / **Music:** Nevena Glusica / **Producers:** Jovana Karaulic / **Co-producers:** Ognjen Antov / **Production company:** Action Production / **Co-production company:** Dream Factory / **Supported by:** Film Center Serbia, Macedonia Film Agency, Media – Creative Europe

Festivals / Awards

TIFF Kids, Canada – *World Premiere* – **Young People's Jury Award for Best Feature Film**; Cinemagic Dublin Festival, Ireland; Zlin IFF, Czech Republic – **The City of Zlín Award for the Best Children Performance in a Feature Film for Children**; Transilvania IFF, Romania; Kyiv IFF Molodist, Ukraine; Prishtina IFF, Kosovo – **The Best Actress Award**; Giffoni FF, Italy; Herceg Novi – Montenegro Film Festival, Montenegro – **Audience Award**; 4 Elements FF, Slovakia; Sarajevo FF, Bosnia & Herzegovina; BUSTER FF, Denmark; Jevany IFF, Czech Republic; Zurich FF, Switzerland; Schlingel IFF, Germany – *Children's Film Competition*; Filmski Susreti Nis, Serbia – **Audience Award for the Best Actor and Special Jury Award for Best Kids Performance**; Dunav Film Fest Smederevo, Serbia – **Special Mention for the Best Script Award**; DYTIAKTO International Children's TV Festival, Ukraine – **The Best Feature Film for Children and CIFEJ Prize**; Kids Film Festival, Poland – **ECFA - European Children's Film Association Award**; Busan IFF, South Korea; Hamburg FF, Germany; Riga IFF, Latvia; São Paulo IFF, Brazil – *New Directors Competition*; Kaohsiung FF, Taiwan; Cinekid, The Netherlands; Film'On Festival, Belgium – *Competition 'Kids'*; Minsk IFF Listapad, Belarus – *Children and youth film competition "Listapadzik"*; Cambridge FF, UK; Rio de Janeiro IFF, Brazil – **Mostra Geração Best Film**; European Film Forum Scanorama, Lithuania; Juniorfest, Czech Republic; Cottbus FF, Germany; Kids Film Festival, Poland; Ale Kino! International Young Audience Film Festival, Poland – **DEBUT à PKO BANK POLSKI AWARD**; Smile SIFFCY, India – **Best Feature Film - Children - Best Actor: Silma Mahmuti and Mihajlo Milavic**; Athens International Children & Youth Film Festival CineDoc Kids, Greece; Göteborg IFF, Sweden; Sundance FF, USA; Providence Children FF, USA; Sofia IFF, Bulgaria; JEF, Belgium; Luxembourg, City Film Festival; Ciné-jeune de l'Aisne, France – **Grand Prize of the International Young Jury**; Cleveland IFF, USA; Minneapolis St. John FF, USA; Wisconsin FF, USA; Reel 2 Reel International Film Festival for Youth, USA – **Adult Jury Awards, Special Mention**; Florida Film Festival, USA; Cyprus Film Days, Cyprus; SEEFest, USA; International Kids FF in Kerala, India; Cinetopia Film Festival (Ann Arbor & Detroit), USA; Espoo Cine IFF, Finland; Children's IFF (CHIFF), Australia; Greenwich IFF, USA; HsinChu Children FF, Taiwan; Durban IFF, South Africa; Hong Kong Kids IFF, Hong Kong; Milwaukee FF, USA; Oulu International Children's and Youth FF, Finland; ReelAbilities FF: New York, USA; ReelAbilities FF: Toronto, Canada; Within a Family IFF, Russia – **Best Children's Film prize, Best Child Actor for Mihajlo Milavic**; Macfilm, Canada; Juniorfest, Czech Republic; Reel Abilities Film Festival, U.S.A; Breaking Down Barriers IFF,

Russia - **Best Feature Film**;

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