

Victim

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“ The Slovak Republic's national submission for 2023 Academy Awards. ”



Synopsis

When the son of Ukrainian immigrant Irina is attacked, the whole city stands up in solidarity with her family and condemns their Roma neighbors, who allegedly committed the crime. But soon another truth starts to emerge. VICTIM is a suspenseful drama about a woman seeking justice in a racist society, torn between family and the search for the truth.

Credits

Director: Michal Blaško / **Genre:** Drama - Suspense, Racism, Immigration, Populism, Truths and Lies, Crime Investigation, Mother-Son Relationship / **Original title:** Oběť / **English title:** Victim / **Country of production:** Slovak Republic, Czech Republic, Germany / **Year of production:** 2022 / **Length:** 91 / **Color:** Color / **Shooting format:** 2K / **Screening format:** DCP 2K / **Original language:** Ukrainian, Czech / **Subtitles:** English / **Cast:** Vita Smachelyuk, Gleb Kuchuk, Igor Chmela, Viktor Zavadil, Inna Zhulina, Alena Mihulová, Veronika Weinhold, Gabriela Míčová and Claudia Dudová / **Scriptwriter:** Jakub Medvecký / **Director of photography:** Adam Mach / **Production designer:** Stella Šonková / **Editor:** Petr Hasalík / **Sound design:** Clemens Endreß / **Sound mixing:** Matthias Schwab / **Producers:** Jakub Viktorín, Pavla Janoušková Kubečková / **Co-producers:** Saar Yogev, Naomi Levari, Michael Reuter / **Production company:** nutprodukcia, nutprodukce / **Co-production company:** Electric Sheep, Czech Television, Radio and Television Slovakia / **Supported by:** Slovak Audiovisual Fund, Czech Film Fund, Eurimages, MOIN Filmförderung Hamburg Schleswig-Holstein, German Federal Film Fund, Creative Europe Programme - MEDIA, Jihomoravský fond, Ústecký kraj, Plzeňský kraj

Festivals / Awards

Venice FF, Italy - **Orizzonti Section**; Toronto IFF, Canada - **Contemporary World Cinema**; Cinematik, Slovak Republic; Finále Plzeň, Czech Republic; Filmfest Hamburg, Germany - **Hamburg Producers Award for International Cinema Co-Productions**; Busan IFF, South Korea - **Flash Forward**; Festival do Rio, Brazil; Leiden IFF, Netherlands; Bosphorus FF, Turkey - **Fedeora Award**; Thessaloniki IFF, Greece; Arras Film Festival, France; Cairo IFF, Egypt - Critcs' Week competition - **Special Mention**; Efebo d'Oro, Italy - **Premio Efebo Prospettive Award**; Filmfest Cottbus, Germany; PÖFF Black Nights FF, Estonia; Tertio Millennio FF, Italy; Terraviva FF, Italy; AFI European Union Film Showcase, USA; World Film Festival of Bangkok, Thailand - **Best Screenplay**; Chennai IFF, India; International Film Festival of Kerala, India; Kolkata International Film Festival, India; Trieste Film Festival, Italy; Palm Springs IFF, USA; Göteborg FF, Sweden; West Virginia International Film Festival, USA; Pune International Film Festival, USA; Europa! Europa, Australia; Dublin IFF, Ireland - **Best Debut Feature**; Belgrade International Film Festival - FEST, Serbia; Glasgow Film Festival, UK; Chicago European Union Film Festival, USA; Stockfish, Island; Hong Kong International Film Festival, China; Minneapolis St Paul International Film Festival, USA; Neisse Film Festival, Germany; Human Rights film Festival in San Sebastian, Spain; Europe on Screen, Indonesia; Taipei Film Festival, Taiwan; Lubuskie Lato Filmowe, Poland; Toffest, Poland; Ceau, Cinema!, Romania; Vukovar Film Festival, Croatia; Cinefest Miskolc, Hungary; IGRIC Awards, Slovakia - **Best Female Lead, Slovak Film Critics Award for Best Feature Film in Cinemas**; Cineast, Luxembourg; Filmfest Sundsvall, Sweden; Lugano Human Rights Film Festival, Switzerland; London Migration Film Festival, UK

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