



HOFERICHTER & JACOBS FILMPRODUCTION

Company Profil

Since 1996, **Hoferichter & Jacobs GmbH** continuously produces documentaries and feature films. Our main focus lies with contemporary topics realized in long formats. We are interested in exceptional, intriguing and fascinating stories bearing the potential to be told in a highly qualified manner, both to a German and an international audience. We aim to find an adequate realisation for unique stories strengthened by a convincing authorial stance and a gripping narrative approach. During the past years, our dedication to all kinds of movie formats has brought us from docu soaps, docu dramas and a variety of hybrid forms all the way to the exciting threshold between reality and fiction.

Presently, our main focal point is on further developing individual filmic approaches, creative narrations in different media and visual styles. Constantly working together with different authors and directors creates the core of this intention – the mutual knowledge of individual strengths and weaknesses builds the opportunity of shared success. At the same time, Hoferichter & Jacobs GmbH increasingly produces on an international scale: Since a couple of years, more than two thirds of our productions have been realized as an international co-production. In pursuing this further, we can produce films for which a national market would have been proven too small. Numerous awards, festival invitations as well as an abundance of international sales hold this stance up.

The Hoferichter & Jacobs GmbH team consists of ten permanent employees. The CEO Olaf Jacobs, together with the producers Karin Leske and Anne Eiselein, account for the film productions. Melanie Braun and Niki Kraus supervise the production process and all technical services.

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EXAKT – SO LEBEN WIR!

The 12-piece series „Exakt – So leben wir“ (“Exact – that’s how we live”) is a widespread survey about Central Germany. It analyses and compares the Central German regions with the federal states in Eastern and Western Germany. What do we have in common and what are the differences? Dealing with various topics, like family, health and life style “Exakt – So leben wir!” is a mood barometer for the situation and quality of life in Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia.

D – 2013 – 2014 – 2015 – 12x30min

written & directed by Lutz, Hofmann, Ariane Riecker, Dirk Schneider, Antje Schneider

co-produced with MDR

interactive website: <http://www.mdr.de/exakt/solebenwir/>



WEATHER AND ARCHITECTURE

Sea levels are rising and storms are becoming increasingly powerful. Climate change has serious consequences. Is our architecture still fulfilling its actual purpose, namely to protect us from the cold and heat, from rain and storms? The pioneers are already at work.

D – 2014 – 52min

written & directed by Ariane Riecker

co-produced with MDR/ARTE

interactive website: <http://future.arte.tv/de/klima-und-landschaft>



WHO OWNS EAST GERMANY

The political changes in the former GDR brought tremendous upheaval to the property situation in the country. In this three-piece documentary the author Ariane Riecker explores the question who owns the former public property from today’s perspective. The filmmaker encounters big players as well as exemplary cases of these changes: Investment bankers, affluent businessmen, and farmers, and ordinary people are portrayed.

D – 2015 – 3x45 min

written & directed by Ariane Riecker, Martin Jabs

co-produced with MDR

interactive website: <http://www.wem-gehört-der-osten.de>



THE SECRET OF THE APES. NARROWING THE GAP

Do apes have a culture of their own? What seemed unthinkable for centuries is hardly called into doubt at all any more in the scientific community. This documentary follows the trail of a provocative thesis.

With amazing pictures of wild chimpanzees and the researchers observing them, the doc shows behaviors never seen before by scientists.

D – 2013 – 52 minutes

written & directed by Axel Friedrich & Eva Demmler

co-produced with MDR/ARTE

interactive website: <http://future.arte.tv/de/das-geheimnis-der-affen>