

Impressions of "Women's Worlds 2006"



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The youngest and very patient participant of this years' film festival: the daughter of our Thai interpreter, beside the TERRE DES FEMMES flag, which symbolises our wishes for the women of today and of tomorrow: a life without violence.



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At the opening the Cinema Museum was full. Star guest Nong Toom from Thailand among the audience.

This time four women introduced the film festival :



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Irene Jung, Filmfest Director of TERRE DES FEMMES



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Dr. Susanne Omran, Commissioner for Women's Affairs of the University City of Tuebingen



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Ute Bechdorf, Director of the German American Institute Tuebingen, d.a.i.



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Christa Stolle, Director of TERRE DES FEMMES



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Also the Parliamentarian of the Bundestag Winne Hermann attended to watch films and to have an exchange with TERRE DES FEMMES.

Further guests were:



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Yusuf Yesilöz introduces his film "Between the Worlds"....



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... and participates at the common meal with the participants of Ida Kelarova's Workshop, the Team and the other guests. Here with Trudie Joras, member of the team



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Participants of the workshop, team and musicians of Ida's band still have much to talk about ...



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... while Irene Jung continues to raise new questions...



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... and Nong Toom tells Ida Kellarova about "Beautiful Boxer"



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The Team at film festival halftime: among them several interns from past "Womens' Worlds": from left: Gabriele Elsäßer (WW 2005), Sibylle Schreiber (WW 2004), Monika Michell (WW 2004), Irene Jung, Nong Toom, Jaturong Yukong (Thai Interpreter), Stephanie Gleißner (WW 2006), Gisela Jung, Ajkuna Hoppe (FW 2005).

Nong Toom's visit



Nong Toom, Thai Box Champion from Thailand and Real Life Modell for the feature film „Beautiful Boxer“, impressed the audience and the press as a strong woman, who narrated about the difficult road of her gender adaptation with utmost ease. She was perceived as a very feminine and self-confident sportswoman and actress.



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Nong Toom with Irene Jung at the conversation with the audience at the Museum Cinema...



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... she thanks the audience



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... which wants to talk to her for a long time after the screening and asks for autographs..



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To her, many questions, that assail her in Germany, are new and make her contemplative.



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As it is the first time, that Nong Toom travels so far without the company of the director of "Beautiful Boxer", something has to be done against the upcoming homesickness. What would be better than authentic Thai food...



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... shared in a familiar surrounding at the festival lobby?



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And a small Thai fellow countrywoman that reminds her of her 4 year old adopted daughter? Although so small, she already has started to teach her daughter the beginnings of Thai boxing, "so she can defend herself in the future".



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Afterwards she is prepared to get to know more of the old center of Tuebingen, with Rattanawadee, the second Thai interpreter



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... and breaking the ice further: Nong Toom shows more of her humorous side and poses in front of the city hall under a mistel toe



Photo © Ajkuna Hoppe

She also witnesses enthusiastically the concert of Ida Kellarova and accompanies the musicians Yolana, Tomas and Dezo backstage.



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As a souvenir she wants to take a true christmas tree (in miniature) with her and plant it in Thai soil, for her and her daughter. With Ajkuna Hoppe she adorns it for Christmas and happily it is not objected at the baggage control at the airport..

SINCERE THANKS FOR VISITING US, NONG TOOM!

Film Screening, Workshop and Concert Ida Kellarova

Ida Kellarová, a highly gifted Roma/Gypsy singer from the Czech Republic, developed a philosophy and a therapy out of her experiences with her Roma identity: Transform your suffering into joy. She does this by means of beautiful singing.

But she is more than a singer: she is a therapist, a bandleader and a human rights activist. She stands up for the right of the Roma/Gypsy people in Eastern Europe. Her unusual biography is caught in the documentary "Gilaven! Sing! - Ida Kellarova", which was screened at Women's Worlds 2006. The fantastic music of this documentary is inspiring!



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On Friday evening the intense sing-out workshop of Ida Kellarova began, which would also prepare the participants for taking part in the concert on Saturday evening.



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On Saturday the Arsenal Cinema was full to bursting for the screening of the documentary about Ida's life "Gilaven!Sing!" The audience was fascinated by the charismatic personality and engaged in an intense and long conversation with her, which had to be brought to an end because the bus was waiting to bring her and the workshop participant to the concert which was about to begin in short at the Sudhaus Cultural Center at the other side of Tuebingen



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Ida in the Arsenal Cinema with her companion, celebrated Roma musician Dezo Duzda...



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and Tomas, the 19 year old excellent pianist from Ida's Band.



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Ida Kelarová gave - together with the three Roma musicians Dezo, Tomas and Yolana - a brilliant, stirring concert. The chorus of the workshop participants had been prepared within few hours for an accomplished presentation charged with emotions..



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Dezo Duzda at the guitar



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Yolana, the young Roma singer, who had joined the band spontaneously in Prague.



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... and Ida prepares for the last crescendo...

Rapturous applause follows!



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THANKS ALSO TO IDA FOR YOUR VISIT, AND HOPEFULLY TUEBINGEN WILL SEE YOU AGAIN!