Chico Pereira. DIRECTOR



After several awarded short fiction films, Chico Pereira (born 1979 in Almadén, Spain) moves towards documentary by devising minimalist narratives inspired by real-life characters and performed by them. His first feature documentary, *Pablo's Winter* (2012) won awards at DOK Leipzig, IDFA and Full Frame and coopened the 2013 MoMA Documentary Fortnight, NYC.

Donkeyote (2017) premiered at 2017 International Film Festival Rotterdam (IFFR) and won several awards including Best Feature Documentary Film at 2017 Edinburgh International Film Festival, and the 2017 International. Documentary Association (IDA) Creative Recognition for Best Writing.

His current film project, *Encierro* (*Lock-In*, WT) Chico Pereira combines his filmmaking practice with teaching. Since October 2018, Chico lives and works in Finland, where is Professor of Documentary Practice and Program Director of the MA in Documentary Film in ELO, Aalto University, Finland.

FILMOGRAPHY: Writer / Director (Selection)

- ⇒ Wrote/Directed the episode "Nati & Augusto" for the Netflix Original Documentary Series "My Love: Six Stories of True Love". Netflix Original Docs/Boardwalk Pictures. Released Spring 2021.
- ⇒ **DONKEYOTE** (85', Documentary, 2017)

Produced by Sutor Kolonko, Scottish Documentary Institute, Opa Films. Co-produced by ZDF/ARTE, NRW, (Film-und Medienstiftung NRW) and Creative Scotland. Distributed by Scottish Documentary, Sutor Kolonko and Opa Films.

- Awards (highlights): IDA International Documentary Association Award for Best Writing. Los Angeles. Dec.17. BAFTA Scotland Award nomination for Best Feature of the Year. Nov. 2017. Best Feature Documentary Award at Edinburgh International Film Festival. June 2017. Best Director Award at Madrid International Documentary Film Festival. April 2017. Best Director Award at Alcances Documentary Film Festival. Cadiz, Spain, Sept.2017. Audience Award at Málaga Film Festival. March 2017. Best Feature in Section "Estampas". Ciudad de Mexico. Internacional Film Festival. Oct 2017. Best Documentary Feature at Festival L'Europe autour de l'Europe. Paris April. 2017.
- List of festivals (highlights): Rotterdam Film Festival (World Premiere), True/False (USA), Full Frame (USA), San Francisco IFF (USA), Jenjou (South Korea), Espoo (Finland), Hot Docs Festival

(Canada), Oslo PIX (Norway), AFI Docs (USA), Munich FF (Germany), Bogota International Film Festival (Colombia), FIDBA Buenos Aires (Argentina), Dokufest (Kosovo), Open City Docs London (UK), Montreal New Cinema (Canada), Yamagata FF (Japan), Viennale (Austria), Seminci (Spain), Taipei Golden Horse (Taiwan), Fine Arts Puerto Rico and Dominican Republic Festivals, Festival International du Cinema d'Auteur de Rabat (Morocco), L'Alternativa (Spain)

- **Cinema:** Theatrically released in Netherlands and Belgium (Amstel Films), Italy/Balkans (Penguin Films), Spain (Cineteca Madrid), UK (Scottish Documentary Institute).
- TV: ZDF/ARTE (November 2017), Filmin, Amazon (VOD).
- ⇒ PABLO'S WINTER (76', Documentary, 2012) <u>http://www.pabloswinter.com/trailer</u>. Produced by Opa Films. Distributed by Scottish Documentary Institute.
- Awards (highlights): 2013 MoMA (Museum of Modern Art of New York) Documentary Fortnight. Opening Film. February 2013. Best Student Documentary Film Award at 2102 Amsterdam International Film Festival (IDFA) Nov 2012. EU-OSHA Award for the Best Documentary about the theme of Work at 2012 DOK Leipzig (Germany) Oct. 2012. Presidents' Award at 2013 Full Frame Festival, Durham, North Carolina. BAFTA New Talent Award Nomination for Best Documentary and Best Editing. Best Documentary FECICAM (Spain). Feb 2014. Jury Honorary Mention for the Young Cinema Competition at 2012 DOK Leipzig. Best Cinematography at Guanajuato International Film Festival 2013.
- List of festivals (highlights): DOK Leipzig (World Premiere), IDFA (Netherlands), Documentary Fortnight MoMA (USA), Full Frame (USA), Documenta Madrid (Spain), L'Alternativa (Spain), Festival Cinespaña Toulouse (France), Ecofalante Environmental Film Festival (Italy), FIDE (France), DocsBarcelona (Spain and Colombia), Nordkapp (Norway), Dokufest (Kosovo).
- **Cinema:** Spain (Cineteca Madrid)
- TV: ZDF/ARTE, Canal + (Spain), Play-Doc (Spain), Filmin (VOD, Spain)