

# O ESTRANGEIRO (THE FOREIGNER)



Portugal, 2010, DOC, FIC, HD, Colour, 18'

Stereo, 16:9

Director: Ivo M. Ferreira Producer: Ivo M. Ferreira Script: Ivo M. Ferreira Script: Edgar Medina Editing: Sandro Aguilar

Photography: Susana Gomes, Márcio Loureiro

Sound: Ricardo Ceitil

Main Actors: Albert Chu, DJ KIT Leong, Sioun Chong, Bowie

Original Language: Mandarin

Subtitles: English, Portuguese

Synopsis: A character almost absent from the image searches, in 2009's Macao, for the Foreigner character, someone who lived there fifteen years before. Helped by the letters written to him by the Foreigner during that period and having recently arrived, he tries to find his lost friend reconstituting all that he imagined from the information. Thus, he traces in the present, the trails the Foreigner left in the past, while creating remnants of a new absence.

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## Ivo M. Ferreira

Born in Portugal short after the revolution of 1974 within a family of actors, Ivo M. Ferreira has always been in contact with theater and film.

He began his technical and artistic training in Lisbon at Escola de Artes Visuais António Arroyo. Then he joined the London International Film School and the University of Budapest. Finally, he arrived in China, a place that would forever shape his personal and professional life: he set up a small production company in Macao and directed his first film. He works as a photographer, actor, producer, director and light designer.

Invited by the Universal Exhibition of 1998, he directed an award winning short film "O que foi" and, shortly thereafter, his first feature film "Em Volta" (2002). In 2006, he received a scholarship from the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation for a Screenplay Writing course at the London International Film School, which led him to the adventure of writing and directing "Águas Mil", projected in several film festivals in 2009. In 2010, he has his commercial debut with "O Estrangeiro" and "Vai com o Vento", the first commissioned by RTP to celebrate the 10th anniversary of The handover and the second about Chinese immigration in Europe.

In 2016, Ivo was the director and screenwriter of "Cartas da Guerra", a feature film based on the homonymous book by António Lobo Antunes and is produced by O SOM E A FÚRIA. "Cartas da Guerra" was part of the Official Competition for the 66th Edition of Berlinale - Berlin International Film Festival.

His latest film, "Hotel Império", a feature film shot in Macau have is premiere in 2018.

He has also been on the panel of judges at film festivals like: DocLisboa, Paris - Esssone, Inatel, Rush48 CCM.

Ivo M. Ferreira is preparing with Arquipélago Filmes the fiction series "South".

# Filmography:

2018 EQUINÓCIO

Portugal, 2018, FIC, Blu-Ray Disc (BD), DCP, HD, Colour, 19'20"

2013 NA ESCAMA DO DRAGÃO

Portugal, Macau, 2013, FIC, HD, Colour, 23'

2010 OESTRANGEIRO

Portugal, 2010, DOC, FIC, HD, Colour, 18'

2018 **HOTEL IMPÉRIO** 

2016 CARTAS DA GUERRA

#### 2009 ÁGUAS MIL

FIC, 100', 35mm, Portugal

## 2009 VAI COM O VENTO

DOC, 60', HD, Portugal

#### 2006 FIOS DE FIAR

DOC, 55', Portugal

### 2003 À PROCURA DE SABINO

DOC, 75', DVCam, Portugal

## 2003 SOIA DI PRÍNCIPE

DOC, 35', DVCam, Portugal

### 2002 EM VOLTA

FIC, 126', 35mm, Portugal

#### 2001 ANGOLA EM CENA

DOC, 53', DVCam, Portugal

## 1998 **O QUE FOI?**

FIC, 13', 16mm, Portugal

## 1997 O HOMEM DA BICICLETA – DIÁRIO DE MACAU

DOC, 56', 16mm, Portugal

# Festival Selections

- 2019 Agência 20 anos InShadow Lisbon Screendance Festival, Portugal
- 2018 China and Portuguese Languages Countries Film Festival, Macau
- 2018 Ciclo de Cinema de Macau Museu do Oriente, Portugal
- 2014 FICH? International Festival of Chinese, Portuguese and Portuguese speaking, Portugal
- 2012 États généraux du film documentaire de Lussas, France
- 2012 Panazorean Film Festival, Portugal
- 2012 IBAFF Festival Internacional de Cine, Spain
- 2012 Mostra Os Cinemas dos Países Lusófonos, Brazil
- 2011 Brest European Short Film Festival, France
- 2011 Les Ecrans Documentaires Festival of Documentary Cinema, France
- 2011 Rio de Janeiro International Short Film Festival Curta Cinema, Brazil
- 2011 CINEPORT Festival de Cinema de Países de Língua Portuguesa, Brazil
- 2011 Panorama Mostra do Documentário Português, Portugal
- 2011 Market Festival Internacional de Cine de Guadalajara, Mexico
- 2011 Fantasporto Oporto International Film Festival, Portugal
- 2011 Internacional Film Festival Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 2010 Ovarvídeo, Portugal
- 2010 Festival dei Popoli International Documentary Film Festival, Italy
- 2010 Corona Cork Film Festival, Ireland
- 2010 Azores Short Film Festival, Portugal
- 2010 International Young Filmmakers Festival of Granada, Spain
- 2010 Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival, Portugal
- 2010 IndieLisboa International Independent Film Festival, Portugal

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