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A Struggle for Home: The Crimean Tatars (44') – 2015 - HD

Mediadante / Paschyn Productions / Directed by Christina Paschyn

Languages available: English

Broadcasters: Al Jazeera, Axess TV



For hundreds of years, Crimea was home to the Crimean Tatars, a Muslim-Turkic people. But it changed when the Russian Empire conquered the peninsula in 1783. Since then, the Tatars have struggled to reclaim their home and suffered from a genocide that saw their entire population brutally deported to Central Asia in 1944. When the Soviet Union collapsed, many Tatars thought they finally would be free in their homeland. But in February 2014, those dreams were dashed when Russian President Vladimir Putin re-annexed the peninsula.

An inheritance of Revenge (52') – 2017 - HD

Acrobates Films / France 3 / Directed by Christian Argentino

Languages available: French

Broadcasters: France 3, Cosmote History



Dive into the contemporary history of vendettas through emblematic examples from the Mediterranean: Corsica, Sardinia, Sicily, Albania and Crete. Researchers, archival images and testimonies enlighten us on the phenomenon: the reach of a clan, codes of honor, the symbolism of blood, womens' primordial role, the Kanun Rules that still rule daily life in Albania today...

Cervantes, a Prisoner in Algiers (52') – 2013 - HD

Mediterranean Dream Pictures / Directed by Jean-Michel Martinetti

Languages available: French

Broadcasters: France 3, RTVE



Celebrated as the inventor of the modern novel, Miguel de Cervantes is associated forever with his hero Don Quixote. He was captured by pirates and carried to Algiers, where he remained captive for five years. It is during this period that Cervantes, who until then was a soldier and an adventurer, began to write. Throughout his life, he never stopped discussing the horrors of captivity...

Guatemala: The Dictatorship's Disappeared (60') – 2017 - HD

CDP / Directed by Claudio Zulian

Languages available: Spanish, French & English

Broadcasters: Arte, Deutsche Welle



The dark days of civil war and dictatorship in Guatemala led to the death and disappearance of over 200,000 people between 1960 and 1996. This film, sprinkled with rare archival images, takes a look at the dark years of Guatemalan history, shows the impossibility of mourning for the families deprived of bodies and is an homage to their bitter fight for justice.

Hedy Lamarr: the Invention of a Star (52') – Fall 2018 - HD

Lucien / Flair Productions / Directed by Claudia Collao

Broadcasters: OCS



From her sensational and revealing entrance into the film world to her anonymous death passing through the belated recognition of the scientific world, this documentary recounts the extraordinary destiny of a woman who knew how to play with the clichés of her era to better defy them.

Inkotanyi: Paul Kagame and the Rwandan Tragedy (90') – 2017 - HD

Wrong Men / Veilleur de Nuit / Directed by Christophe Cotteret

Languages available: French

Broadcasters: Arte, RTBF, TV5 Monde, Public Senat



Rwanda, July 1994. The best trained and most disciplined rebellion of the African continent puts an end to the last genocide of the 20th century, that of the Rwandan Tutsi. Led by the current president of Rwanda, Paul Kagame, they are called the Inkotanyi. Formed in the Ugandan Yoweri Museveni rebellion in the early 1980s, the Inkotanyi have shaken up the Great Lakes region for 30 years. *Inkotanyi* sheds light on the life of this politico-military movement through the voices of its principal actors, including Paul Kagame.

Jean Moulin / Klaus Barbie, When History Had the Last Word (52') – 2013 - HD

AMDA Productions / Directed by Sylvie Cozzolino

Languages available: French & English

Broadcasters: France 3, TV5 Canada, RMC Decouverte, Planet + Poland



Jean Moulin's reputation has acquired many facets over the years: unifier of the French resistance, martyr tortured by the Gestapo, forgotten fighter in the post-war years, and hero of the French resistance. His story is inextricably tied to that of his torturer Klaus Barbie. Their historical pairing has contributed to the legend of this high-profile member of the French resistance. This documentary offers an analysis.

Looking for Cleopatra (52') – 2017 - HD

Viva Productions / Directed by Olivier Lemaître

Languages available: French & English

Broadcasters: RMC Découverte, TV5 Unis



A team of experts goes in search of Cleopatra from her submerged Alexandrian palace to her last traces, which lead to her likely tomb, as they attempt to lift the veil on the mysterious circumstances of her death. **The RMC Découverte special was the channel's third highest ratings since its launch.**

Lucien Bonaparte, the Rebellious Brother (52') – 2011 - HD

Mediterranean Dream Pictures / Directed by Dominique Lanzalavi

Languages available: French

Broadcasters: France 3, Planete Canada / History Channel Russia / Docubox Channel



This documentary retraces the life of Napoleon Bonaparte's brother through the world of art, his preferred field. The little-known rebel prince was an art collector and played a key role in the family. From the banishment of the Bonapartes from Corsica to the coup of 18 Brumaire... one man was present through every step of Napoleon's destiny: his brother Lucien. Without him, the course of history might well have taken a different turn...

Luis Sepúlveda: living, writing and resisting (52') – 2011 - HD

Drôle de Trame / Arte / Directed by Sylvie Deleule

Broadcasters : TV Brasil, La Effe, TV Cultura



Luis Sepulveda's world was turned upside down in Santiago, Chile on September 11th 1973, when General Pinochet took power during a coup d'état and President Salvador Allende committed suicide. Sepúlveda, a left-wing activist close to Allende, was taken prisoner and tortured. Tireless activist and globetrotter, Sepúlveda is above all an excellent storyteller. Two passions have ruled his life: his writing and the political causes he supports, including healing the scars left in South America due to military dictatorships, protecting the environment and native populations in South America, and fighting against racism in Europe...

Serge Lifar: A Revolution in Dance (52') – 2016 - HD

French Connection / Directed by Florent Durth & Ivan Kuzmin

Languages available: French, English & Italian

Broadcasters: M-Media, Histoire, Air France, RTV Slovenija



France, renowned for its fondness for the arts, is perhaps best known for its ballet thanks to Ukrainian Serge Lifar. Despite his late start as a serious dancer at 16, Lifar found a place in ballet through his perseverance and unassailable stage presence, even working under Sergei Diaghilev, founder of the Ballets Russes. However, Lifar wasn't just limited to being a star onstage. He also rose to become an influential choreographer, a bonafide celebrity and one of the major figures in the renewal of 20th-century French ballet.

Tapestries of the Apocalypse (52') – 2011 - HD

Ana Films / Inward Productions / Directed by Rodolphe Viemont

Languages available: French & English

Broadcasters: KTO, VRT, RTS, RSI, History Channel Russia, France 3 Corse, Planete Canada



Comprising 65 scenes over 104 meters, and almost 6 meters high, the Apocalypse Tapestry of Angers has been, since its creation in the 14th century, the biggest, most phenomenal and single most important tapestry in the world, stunning onlookers throughout the centuries. It has always been an object of fascination. It tells « The Apocalypse of John », the final text of the Bible, but also tells a lot about its historical context: the Hundred Years' War, the ambitions and intrigues of Princes of that time...

The Greven Mystery (52') – 2017 - HD

Lucien / Flair Productions / Directed by Claudia Collao

Languages available: French & English

Broadcasters: OCS, LCP, Air France, Planet + Poland, RTP



Alfred Greven is still today an unsolved mystery for everyone. Who was this head of the Continental films, a French movie studio founded with Third-Reich money whose mission was one of propaganda but who ended up producing the most subversive masterpieces of French Cinema? Greven's intentional disappearance after the war and his silence until his death in 1973 maintain a certain mystery around this elusive historical figure. To date, no photos or other record of him are available. Yet the 40 films produced by Continental Films remain.

The Lost Tomb of Nefertiti (52') – 2017 - HD

Viva Productions / Directed by Olivier Lemaître

Languages available: French

Broadcasters: RMC Découverte, TV5 Unis



A team of experts goes on a search to unravel the threads of Nefertiti's incredible destiny and attempt to understand what happened at her death and why the enigma of her sepulture and her corpse still keeps Egypt, and the entire world, in suspense... **The RMC Découverte special was the channel's third highest ratings since its launch.**

These Traces That Remain (52') – Fall 2018 - HD

Docs du Nord / Directed by Olivier Fely-Biolet

Broadcasters: France 3, Ceska Televize



The story of Jacques' disappearance, like that of thousands of opponents to the Third Reich, known as "Prisoners NN" or "Nacht und Nebel", uncovers a little-known aspect of the regime of terror set up by Hitler between 1941 and 1944. *Shooting locations: France, Germany, Poland*

Torgau 1939-1945 – Chronicle of a Military Justice (52') – 2013 - HD

Ana Films / Directed by Jean-Marie Fawer

Languages available: French & German

Broadcasters: France 3, Spiegel Geschichte



April 25, 1945, Soviet and American troops joined up in Germany, at Torgau, a town on the banks of the Elbe River. Torgau became then the symbol of this historic day. But for some Wehrmacht soldiers, the name of Torgau is first of all associated with another reality: its prison "Torgau-Fort Zinna" and the famous RKG, the highest martial court of the Third Reich...