

OLGA DINNIKOVA

DIRECTOR - SCREENWRITER

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PERSONAL DETAILS

Citizenship

- Switzerland & Israel

Family

- Married, two children

Date and Place of Birth

- February 5th, 1985, Riga, Latvia

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Directing
- Screenwriting
- Script Editing
- Acting

LANGUAGES

- German – Native
- Russian – Native
- Swiss German – Very fluent
- English – Fluent
- Hebrew – Basic knowledge

LINKS & ASSOCIATIONS

- swissfilms.ch
- imdb.com
- arf-fds.ch
- filmmakers.eu

FILMOGRAPHY

REFLECTIONS (WT) | CINEMA | Fiction | In Development 2026

Screenplay and Directing

- Fellow of the 2025 Zurich Film Festival Academy, a talent program for emerging international filmmakers.

WAVES (WT) | CINEMA | Fiction | In Development 2026

Screenplay and Directing

- Work Grant – 2024 by the Aargau Cultural Foundation

BEHIND THE GLASS | CINEMA | Fiction | 94` 2024

Screenplay and Directing - Snakefilm GmbH, Tasse Film & Swiss Television

- Solothurn Film Festival, Nominated for the 'Prix du Public' | SUI | 2025
- Production funding by the Federal Office of Culture, Swiss Television, Zurich Film Foundation and Aargau Cultural Foundation
- Triple Script Development Funding by Zurich Film Foundation
- Distributor – Ascot Elite Entertainment

PERIPHERIE | CINEMA | Fiction | 81` 2016

Screenplay Episode "Sonja" (Directed by Yasmin Joerg) – Zurich University of the Arts

- Fünf Seen Filmfestival, in Competition „Perspektive Junges Kino“ | D | 2017
- Mostra Internacional del Cinema de Sao Paulo, „Int. Perspective“ | BRA | 2017
- Solothurn Film Festival, Nominated for "Prix du Public" | SUI | 2017
- Zurich Film Festival, Focus Competition | Schweiz | 2016 a.o.

AQUARIUM | SHORT | Fiction | 16 2015

Screenplay (Directed by Cosima Frei) – Zurich University of the Arts, Swiss Television

LUFTSCHLOSS | SHORT | Fiction | 18` 2014

Screenplay, Directing & Editing – Snakefilm GmbH & Zurich University of the Arts

- Studio Hamburg Newcomer Award, Nominated for Best Short Film | D | 2016
- Max Ophüls Preis | Saarbrücken | D | 2016
- Basel Short Film Festival, Best Actor for Sofija Stavinskaja | Bern | SUI | 2015
- Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur | SUI | 2015 a.o.
- SWIKOS Kurz Film Festival, Best Actor für Sofija Stavinskaja | Basel | SUI | 2015 u.a.

FILM & ARTS EDUCATION

Movement Psychology Method | Zurich 2017-2018

Master Classes by Barbara Fischer

Master of Arts in Film (Screenplay) | Zürich 2014-2016

Zurich University of the Arts

- Worked as a tutor in the Bachelor's Screenwriting Atelier during the Master's program.

Bachelor of Arts in Film | Zürich 2011-2014

With a focus on Script Editing, Zurich University of the Arts

- Hirschmann Scholarship for outstanding academic achievements and social commitment.
- Production funding for the graduation project "Luftschloss" from the Catholic Church of Zurich, the Vontobel Foundation, and the Federal Office of Culture.

European Film Actor School | Zürich 2004-2007