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## Helsinki's Love & Anarchy will open with Cannes winner

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12/08/2013 - Abdellatif Kechiche's *Blue Is the Warmest Colour* and US director Noah Baumbach's *Frances Ha* to bookend this year's Helsinki International Film Festival (September 19-29)



Taking place between September 19-29, with a record number of 300 films, including 160 features or feature-length documentaries, Finland's 26<sup>th</sup> Helsinki International Film Festival: Love & Anarchy will be opened by **Abdellatif Kechiche's** Cannes winner, *Blue Is the Warmest Colour* [trailer, film focus] (photo), the love story of two young women.

Chinese director **Wong Kar-wai's** *The Grandmaster* [trailer], which launched the 2013 Berlin International Film Festival, has been selected for the international HIFF Gala. Portraying the life of Chinese legendary kung fu master **Ip Man** during the first five decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the film was shot over three years after eight years of preparations, with **Tony Leung** in the lead.

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The choice for the Finnish HIFF Gala is Finnish director **Dome Karukoski's** *Heart of a Lion*, about a neo-nazi skinhead in his early forties (**Peter Franzén**) trying to win the heart of his girlfriend's (**Laura Birn**) 10-year-old coloured boy who wants to get rid of him by any means. The festival will close with US director **Noah Baumbach's** b&w drama comedy, *Frances Ha*, about a young dancer (**Greta Gerwig**) who tries to find herself and a place in New York City.

Also in b&w, Finnish award-winning director **Pirjo Honkasalo's** new drama *Concrete Night*, based on **Pirkko Saisio's** novel about a tragic night in the life of two brothers, will have its Finnish premiere during the festival, which will also show the latest 20 Finnish films and 10 works-in-progress to international film professionals during the Finnish Film Affair industry event between September 24-26.

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