

Marcel Vaid

Filmcomposer, musicproducer and musician

composed a.o. the scores for:

«**OSTROV**»(RUS/90') Doc by Svetlana Rodina and Laurent Stooß, UA 2021
«**IL DEMOLITORE DI CAMPER**» (CH/90') A feature fiction by Robert Ralston
«**CAVEMAN**» (96'/ITALIA) Doc by Tommas Landucci, DocLab Roma UA 2021
«**OF FISH AND MEN**» (CH/100') Fiction by Stefanie Klemm. UA 2021
«**WALL OF SHADOWS**» (POL/90') by Eliza Kubarska, UA HotDocs Toronto 2020
«**NOT ME – A JOURNEY WITH NOT VITAL**» (CH/97') by Pascal Hofmann. UA 2021
«**THE FORUM**» (GER/128') by Marcus Vetter, Gebrüder Beetz Film. 2020
«**100 JAHRE ZIRKUS KNIE**» (2X90') DocFiction by Greg Zglinski, 2019.
«**AL-SHAFAQ**» (120' TUR) by Esen Isik with Kida Khodr Ramadan.
«**CHRIS THE SWISS**» by Anja Kofmel, CH/CRO/DE/FIN, Animated-DocFiction 100', **WINNER BEST FILMUSIC QUARTZ 2019 - NOMINATION BEST FILMUSIC EUROPEAN ANIMATION AWARD 2018.**
«**GATEWAYS TO NEW YORK**» (CH/90'), Doc by Martin Witz, 2018.
«**THE KONGO TRIBUNAL**» (90') Doc by Milo Rau, UA 2017. **NOMINATION BEST FILMUSIC QUARTZ 2018**
«**DOUBLE SENTENCE**» Doc by Léa Pool, (CAN 2017), Doc 90'
«**WHEN THE SUN FELL**» by Aya Domenig, (JAP/CH 2015), Doc 90', **WINNER BEST FILMUSIC QUARTZ 2016.**
«**VIELEN DANK FÜR NICHTS**» by Oliver Paulus, (CH 2014), Fiction 90'
«**THE NINTH CLOUD**» by Jane Spencer (GB/USA 2014), Fiction 90', with Michael Madsen, Jean-Hugues Anglades
«**KÖPEK**» by Esen Isik, (CH/TUR 2015), **NOMINATION BEST FILMUSIC QUARTZ 2016.**
«**NOW OR NEVER**» by Fredi Murer, (CH 2014), Vega Film.
«**MY NAME IS SALT**» by Farida Pacha, (INDIA/CH 2014).
«**THE SUBSTANCE**» by Martin Witz (CH 2011)
«**GOODNIGHT NOBODY**» by Jacqueline Zünd (CH 2010), **WINNER BEST FILMUSIC QUARTZ 2011.**
«**BON APPÉTIT**» by David Pinillos (ESP 2010) Morena Films Madrid, Warner Brothers Germany.
«**TANDOORI LOVE**» by Oliver Paulus (CH/IND 2008) **WINNER PRIX FONDATION SUISA**
«**ZARA**» by Ayten Mutlu Saray (AUS 2008), **WINNER BEST FILMUSIC QUARTZ 2009.**
«**DER FREUND**» by Micha Lewinsky (CH 2008) in collaboration with Sophie Hunger
«**JOSHUA**» by Andreas Müller (CH2002) **WINNER BEST FILMUSIC ANGERS (France 2003).**
in work: **BEYOND LIFE** (98'/GER) by Nahuel Lopez, **THE SPHERE** (CRO/10') by Manuel Šumberac. **TATORT ZÜRICH 3+4** (2X90) by Christine Repond, **SEMRET** (90'/CH) by Caterina Mona **SUPERTERZ feat. NILS PETER MOLVAER** 2-CD Album, UA 2021

Marcel Vaid (*1967) works as a musician and composer for film and theatre. Studied guitar at the Academy of Contemporary Music in Zürich and lives in Zurich. Composition and production of filmmusic for over 80 feature films. Head of the electro-acoustic experimental collective «Superterz», numerous Tours in Japan and Europe. Member of the European Filmacademy EFA and the Swiss Filmacademy. President Smecca - Swiss Media Composers Association.

Collaborations a.o. with Nils Petter Molvaer, Kate Havnevik, Norbert Möslang (Voice Crack), Marianne Schroeder (John Cage), Koychi Makigami (Hikazu), Toshinori Kondo, Mauro Pawlowski (dEUS), Jojo Mayer or Alain Monot (The Young Gods). In film Marcel Vaid has worked a.o. with Fredi Murer, Eliza Kubarska, Marcus Vetter, Oliver Paulus, Milo Rau, Léa Pool, Greg Zglinski, Tommaso Landucci, David Pinillos or oscar-nominated Timo von Gunten.

Marcel Vaid's most important goal is to develop an individual language, an individual and discreet soundscape for every film. In the foreground is the motto LESS IS MORE. An outstanding sound-aesthetical concern is the examination of acoustical instruments and their stereoscopic processing in the computer. Marcel Vaid gives diverse Masterclasses and is working as a guest lecturer at the Zurich University of the Arts.

Marcel Vaid has been honoured a number of times. He has just been nominated for the 7th time for the Swiss Filmprize Quartz 'Best Filmmusic' 2021 for «Not Me - A journey with Not Vital». To this day he received four times the Swiss Film Prize ('Zara' 2009, 'Goodnight Nobody' 2011, 'When the sun fell' 2016 and 'Chris the Swiss' 2019), the Prix Fondation Suisa ('Tandoori Love' 2009), the prize for Best Film Score at the Filmfestivals in Angers ('Joshua' 2003, Jurypresident Jeanne Moreau) and Valencia ('Where is Max' 2009). In 2012 he received the 'Zurich City Award' (Werkjahr der Stadt Zürich).

His composition in 'Chris the Swiss' was nominated 2019 for the German Filmmusicprize, 2018 for 'Best Music' at the 'European Animation Award' in Lille, and for the Cristal-Pine-Award 'Best Music' at the ISFMF in Pula, Croatia.

Nomination Swiss Filmprize Quartz 'Best Filmmusic' in 2019 for «The Kongo Tribunal» 2016 for «Köpek» (Doublenomination). 2009 Nomination 'Best Filmmusic' at the Filmfestival Aubagne for «Goodnight Nobody».

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PRESS SHORTS

VARIETY | ON 'OSTROV' "Marcel Vaid broke down a piano and started making strange sounds with some strange devices. It was like a shamanic ritual." **SCREEN DAILY** / ON 'THE FORUM' "Marcel Vaid's news-report style score is employed sparingly, but helps to drive the film along." **FESTIVAL DE CANNES** / ON 'CHRIS THE SWISS' "Award-winning composer Marcel Vaid has created an intensely strong score to Anja Kofmel's extraordinary story 'Chris the Swiss'." **HOLLYWOOD REPORTER** / ON 'MY NAME IS SALT' „With fine-tuned assistance from composer Marcel Vaid, whose light, tinkling score is a delight..." **THE GUARDIAN** / ON 'MY NAME IS SALT' "...Here are moonscapes of mud, made all the more eerie by Marcel Vaid's alien score..." **NEUE ZÜRCHER ZEITUNG** / ON 'AL-SHAFAQ' "...bis zum unaufdringlich starken Soundtrack (Marcel Vaid)." **KINO-ZEIT.DE** / ON 'THE FORUM' "...und mit dramatischer Filmmusik der Marke Hans Zimmer unterlegt" **FESTIVAL DE CANNES** / ON 'GOODNIGHT NOBODY' "...the soundtrack of Marcel Vaid, ephemeral as a cloud of ether..." **EL PAIS** / ON 'BON APPÉTIT' "El trabajo fluye de manera excelente, gracias también a intervalos musicales (Marcel Vaid) cargados de buen gusto" **SÜDDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG** / ON 'GOODNIGHT NOBODY' "...the buzzing, throbbing sounds of Marcel Vaid's film music..." **NEUE ZÜRCHER ZEITUNG** / ON 'ZARA' "...multi-layered and atmospherically dense sound-music by Marcel Vaid..." **FLICKERINGMYTH.COM** / ON 'THE NINTH CLOUD' "...and the amazingly on-point music (Marcel Vaid) that make you think about this film for hours afterward" **SWISS RADIO DRS2** / ON 'TANDOORI LOVE' "Marcel Vaid has written a musical score that conveys in its complete wistfulness the magic and wanderlust which cinema entails." **MONTREAL FESTIVAL DU NOUVEAUX CINÉMA** / ON 'GOODNIGHT NOBODY' "...combined with a particularly apt, hypnotic score, plunge viewers into the living hell of sleeplessness" **SWISS RADIO DRS 2** / ON 'ZARA' "This is rather heavy fare: The soundtrack by Marcel Vaid complements images of forlornness, pain and longing: a fierce unconventional piece of artwork."