## SERIENCAMP ANNOUNCES COMPLETE FESTIVAL PROGRAM AND GUEST STARS FOR THE 11TH SEASON



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What friends of "Friends" have been waiting for in vain will become a reality in Cologne: Germany's largest and most important series festival is entering its incredible 11th season together with its main sponsors, the state of North Rhine-Westphalia and the Film- und Medienstiftung NRW, and is crowning its anniversary with free screenings of world and german premieres of numerous top-class series. The best part: Several stars of those series will be making personal appearances at Cinenova Köln-Ehrenfeld on June 4 and 5, 2025. The celebratory kick-off will take place the day before with the WDR premium series "Hundertdreizehn".

Cologne, 06/05/2025: In Cologne, all good things don't just come in threes, they usually come in eleven: the eleventh edition of the SERIENCAMP FESTIVAL and the associated SERIENCAMP CONFERENCE will therefore probably also be the third to take place on the Rhine instead of on the Isar as before. After two successful "kick-off" seasons in 2023 and 2024, the festival is therefore more "Cologne-like" than ever. Many of the national and international series premieres, which can be binge-watched on the big screen, were created here locally or with funding from North Rhine-Westphalia. For example, the sensational WDR production "Hundertdreizehn", which ceremoniously opens the series roundelay and in which Robert Stadlober, Anna Schudt, Armin Rohde and Max von der Groeben, among others, shed light on the dramatic consequences of a devastating bus accident.



Foto: Hundertdreizehn mit Anna Schudt / Frank Dicks

The high school dramedy "Club der Dinosaurier" produced for ZDFneo, in which an experimental testosterone product leads to the dinofication of some students, the retro trip into the noughties "Chabos" (AT) and "Rembetis - Die Geisterjäger" about a Greek family on the trail of the "Ghostbusters" (both also ZDFneo) also have a strong local touch. The Sky original documentary series "Love Scam" also focuses on an incredible fraud story in Cologne and the RTL+ production "Softies", which is based here, vies for the hearts of SERIENCAMP visitors in particular with "Maxton Hall" star Damian Hardung. The romantic and mysterious Turkish Disney+ Original series "Reminder", which underlines the international aspirations of the festival program, is also eagerly awaited, as is the Icelandic ARTE gem "Reykjavik Fusion", a cross between "Breaking Bad" and "The Bear", which is sure to get your taste buds tingling.



Foto: Softies. vlnr.: Hassan (Samir Salim); Marvin (Damian Harding); Joshi (Oskar Redfern) / Christoph Assmann

"Cologne gave us such a warm welcome in 2023 that we couldn't help but give a little something back to this wonderful city," says festival director Simone Schellmann, delighted about the local series focus, which she can now announce in full relatively early on. And with a wink, she adds: "With such a short journey, we naturally expect to welcome a not inconsiderable number of the actors and series makers to the red carpet."

Also celebrating its eleventh birthday is the SERIENCAMP CONFERENCE, which is recognized far beyond the borders of Germany and Europe and brings together hundreds of broadcasters, renowned writers and directors as well as young creative talent for three days at Cinenova and the adjacent Herbrand's every year. Nothing less than the future of the industry is negotiated and decisively mapped out here - with some of the concepts and productions presented here - such as "Maxton Hall" in 2023 - dominating the international streaming charts shortly afterwards.

Interested parties can find the complete festival program online at <a href="www.seriencamp.tv">www.seriencamp.tv</a>. Tickets for the SERIENCAMP FESTIVAL screenings, which are in principle free of charge, can also be pre-ordered here for a small reservation fee. As always, accreditation for the SERIECAMP CONFERENCE is possible at

https://www.seriencamp.tv/conference/akkreditierung/.

## **About the SERIENCAMP FESTIVAL and CONFERENCE**

The SERIENCAMP FESTIVAL is the first and largest festival for series in Germany and will take place for the third time in its 11th edition from June 3 to 5 in Cologne Ehrenfeld. Series from all over the world will be shown - with free admission - including numerous german and world premieres. The associated event for trade visitors, SERIENCAMP CONFERENCE, will also take place in parallel at the Cinenova cinema and Herbrand's next door. Accreditations for the SERIENCAMP CONFERENCE can be purchased at <a href="https://www.seriencamp.tv/conference/akkreditierung/">https://www.seriencamp.tv/conference/akkreditierung/</a>.

Since 2023, the main sponsors of the events have been the state of North Rhine-Westphalia and the Film- und Medienstiftung NRW.

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## **Event dates:**

SERIENCAMP FESTIVAL: June 3 - 5, 2025 SERIENCAMP CONFERENCE: June 3 - 5, 2025

Location: Cologne

Website: www.seriencamp.tv