

Edited:

Shelter (Podslon)

Bulgaria /2010/88 mins/Bulgarian/Colour/35mm

Director Dragomir Sholev

DOP Krum Rodriguez

Editor Kevork Aslanyan

Music

Designer Vanina Geleva

Cast Cvetan Daskalov, Yanina Kasheva, Kaloian Siriiski, Silvia Gerina, Irena Hristoskova

Synopsis

While they have been changing TV channels, making pickles or discussing politics, the parents of 12-year-old Rado have missed their son's growing up. Water polo coach Emil Stoychev arrives home one morning after an away game to discover his son, Rado, never came back from a weekend sleepover. Emil and his wife file a missing-persons report, but when they get back from the police station, they find the kid in his room, with the music blaring and a young woman exiting the shower. Now they cannot understand why, after disappearing for two days, he isn't sorry for the nightmare he has caused them and why is he ready to run away from home with the first junkies he has met on the street.

About the Director

Dragomir Sholev, who was born in Bulgaria in 1977, graduated with a degree in Film Directing and Animation from the Bulgarian National Academy of Theatre and Film Arts. He has directed several animations, short fiction films and music videos, including *Before Life, After Death* (2005) and *The Go-Between* (2008). He has also directed more than 200 commercials and music videos. *Shelter* is his feature debut.

Festival Participation/Awards

58th San Sebastian IFF – Zabaltegi New Directors Competition
29th Bulgarian Feature FF Zlatna Roza (Varna)
12th Bratislava IFF – Main Competition
21st Tromso IFF
40th Rotterdam IFF
34th Gotteborg IFF
15th Sofia IFF

29th Bulgarian Feature FF Zlatna Roza (Varna) 2010:

- Best Debut Film
- Best Cinematography (Krum Rodriguez, *ex equo*)

12th Bratislava IFF 2010:

- Best Director (Dragomir Sholev, *ex equo*)

15th Sofia IFF 2011:

- Grand Prix for Best Film in the International Competition
- Kodak Award for Best Bulgarian Film
- Audience Award

CYPRUS FILM DAYS - International Film Festival 2011:

- Special Mention

SEE Film Festival, Los Angeles:

- Best First Feature Film Award

Popovo National Cinematographers' Film Festival:

- Best Cinematography Award (Krum Rodriguez, *ex equo*)

Bulgarian Film Academy 2010:

- Best Film
- Best Director
- Best Art Design
- Best Editing

1st Lume IFF. Sao Luis, Brazil:

- Honorable mention

2nd Odessa IFF:

- Special jury prize

Production/Sales

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