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Iran's 'Cause of Death: Unknown' awarded in Italy

Iranian director Ali Zarnegar film 'Cause of Death: Unknown' picked up the top prize at the Torino Underground Cinefest in Italy, organizers announced. The film, which was produced by Majid Barzegar, took home the award for Best Feature Film at the 11th edition of the festival, which ran from September 26 to October 7 in Turin, ILNA wrote. According to festival officials, audience demand was so high that a second screening of the film was added to the schedule. The film has also been making the rounds at other international festivals,

including the Pigeon International Film Festival (PIFF) and the Monadnock International Film Festival in the United States. 'Cause of Death: Unknown' follows the story of seven passengers who embark on a journey to Kerman before dawn, only to be halted by an unexpected event. The film features a cast of Iranian actors, including Banipal Shoomoon, Ali Mohammad Radmanesh, and Neda Jebraeili. The international distribution rights for the film are held by Raft Films.



Iran celebrates Hafez's legacy with manuscript restoration, global events

Arts & Culture Desk

The world celebrated the life and works of renowned Persian poet Hafez Shirazi on October 11, with events and tributes held in several countries, including Bosnia and Herzegovina, Russia, and Kazakhstan, to mark the poet's enduring legacy. A rare 400-year-old manuscript of the Divan of Hafez, containing Persian miniatures, was restored by Iranian and Bosnian authorities and returned to Bosnia and



Herzegovina, where it is kept under UNESCO supervision, IRNA reported. The restoration, carried out by the Iranian Cultural Center in Sarajevo, the Gazi Husrev-Bey Library, and the Islamic Culture and Relations Organization, in collaboration with the Astan Quds Razavi cultural institution, marks a turning point in the two countries' library cooperation. As part of the global celebrations, Iranian Cultural Center in Russia organized an exhibition, 'Getting to Know Hafez Shirazi,' at Saratov State University, featuring the poet's life, works, and legacy. The event drew students and scholars, who learned about Hafez's contribution to Persian literature and his enduring popularity worldwide. In Kazakhstan, a ceremony was held at the Iranian Cultural Center in Astana to commemorate Hafez's legacy, attended by students of Persian language and literature. The Iranian cultural attaché, Ali Akbar Talebi Matin, highlighted Hafez's life, works, and impact on Iranian culture, and recited a poem by the poet. These events demonstrate the significant cultural impact of Hafez's works, which continue to inspire and unite people across the world. As Iran celebrates its rich cultural heritage, it also strengthens its cultural ties with other nations, promoting mutual understanding and appreciation.

Iranian director's film 'Requiem for a Tribe' picked for Czech festival

A joint production of Iran, Spain, and Qatar 'Requiem for a Tribe,' directed by Marjan Khosravi Baldi, has made the cut for the 28th Ji.hlava International Documentary Film Festival in the Czech Republic. The feature-length documentary, produced by Milad Khosravi Baldi, will have its European premiere at the festival, which runs from October 25 to November 3, 2024. Considered one of Europe's leading documentary film events, the Ji.hlava festival is a major platform for documentary filmmakers and has been accredited by the Academy Awards. The festival hands out awards for best film, cinematography, editing, sound design, and best article, among others. 'Requiem for a Tribe' explores the impact of modernity on the nomadic culture of Iran's Bakhtiari people through the story of a Bakhtiari woman. The film's selection for the festival marks a significant milestone for Iranian cinema, which has been gaining international recognition in recent years. "We are thrilled to have 'Requiem for a Tribe' selected for the Ji.hlava festival," said Khos-

ravi Baldi. "This is a great opportunity for us to share our story with a wider audience and showcase the rich cultural heritage of Iran's nomadic communities." The Ji.hlava festival has a reputation for showcasing innovative and thought-provoking documentaries from around the world. This year's edition is expected to attract filmmakers, industry professionals, and film enthusiasts from across Europe and beyond.



70th case of Bombay blood group identified in Iran

A 42-year-old man in southeastern Iran has been identified as having the rare Bombay blood type, the first such case in the province of Kerman and the 70th nationwide. According to Iraj Shokouhi, director general of the provincial department of the Iranian Blood Transfusion Organization, the

man's blood type was pinpointed after he donated blood in the city of Sirjan. Additional tests were carried out to confirm the diagnosis, IRNA reported. The Bombay blood type, characterized by the absence of the H antigen and the presence of anti-H antibodies, is extremely rare, occurring in only one in

a million people. Patients with this blood type can only receive blood from a donor with the same type. Shokouhi said the organization has frozen the donated blood for future use, as the blood type is extremely rare and hard to come by. He emphasized that timely and accurate diagnosis of the blood type is crucial, as transfusion of incompatible blood could be life-threatening. The Bombay blood type was first discovered in 1952 in the Indian city of Bombay, now known as Mumbai. Iran has identified 70 cases of this rare blood type to date. In related news, officials at the Iranian Blood Transfusion Organization have called on people with rare blood types to come forward and donate blood to help those in need.



Iran sees improvement in malnutrition rankings, up 12 spots

Social Desk

Iran has improved its ranking in the global malnutrition index, moving up 12 spots to 90th place out of 167 countries, according to a senior official. Ameneh Zare', deputy head of the National Association to Combat Hunger, made the announcement on the occasion of World Food Day at a conference titled 'Healthy Food, from Selection to Consumption' at the country's Nutrition and Food Industry Research Institute, IRNA reported. Zare' noted that global events such as political conflicts and water scarcity have led to food insecurity worldwide. She emphasized that malnutrition encompasses both undernutrition and overnutrition, citing the example of peo-

ple who overconsume carbohydrates due to food scarcity, leading to obesity. Zare' also highlighted that some regions in eight provinces in Iran face food insecurity, with the provinces of Kerman,

Sistan and Baluchestan, Khuzestan, and Khorasan having the highest rates of food insecurity. At the conference, Tirang Neyeystani, a member of the scientific board of the Nutrition and Food Industry Research Institute, stressed that access to healthy and sufficient food is a human right. He criticized common dietary misconceptions, such as the benefits of whole wheat bread, and warned about the risks of consuming brown rice due to its high arsenic content. Another speaker, Samira Rabiei, emphasized the importance of healthy cooking methods, recommending the elimination of solid fats and the use of healthy oils for cooking.

