



NEIHAUSEN-YATSKOVA & VODAR FILMS

Miss GULAG Production Fact Sheet

Running time:	65 minutes
Format:	Video, HDV with Film Archives
Awards and Grants:	Ford Foundation Grant Sundance Institute Documentary Grant Top 5 Selection at the 28 th Annual IFP Market
World Premiere:	57 th Berlin International Film Festival
Other Festivals:	More than 20 International Film Festivals including: AFI Silverdocs, Seattle, Rio de Janeiro, Nuremberg, Morelia, Warsaw, Sheffield, Zagreb among others.
Production Status:	Miss GULAG was completed in January/June 2007 and has signed with Cinephil as the international broadcast sales agent. The International Television Broadcast World Premiere on the “This World” program of the BBC was in March 2008.
Summary:	<p>Through the prism of a beauty pageant staged by female inmates of a Siberian prison camp emerges a complex narrative of the lives of the first generation of women to come of age in Post-Soviet Russia.</p> <p>Miss GULAG chronicles the lives of three women: Yulia, Tatiana, and Natasha. Although they endure incredible adversity in and out of prison, they manage to uphold their humanity and humor through the comforts of music, love, and outrageous fashion.</p> <p>For these women, undoubtedly, life is harsh under the constant surveillance of UF-91/9, but it is no less so on the outside. Today they, their families, and loved ones are sustained by hope for a better life upon release.</p>

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