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SYNOPSIS

Paris. Nedjma, a teenager living with her mom and sister, spends the summer with her squad. She sees her life turned upside down when she meets Zina, coming from the opposite gang. They are rivals in broad daylight, but lovers in secret. Nedjma is sucked into a spiral, torn apart between the values of the hood and her own desire, which no one around her can possibly understand or let alone tolerate. She will have to make a choice that will ultimately define who she is.

MARION DESSEIGNE RAVEL, DIRECTOR

Marion Desseigne Ravel studied at La Fémis and has directed several short films, including LES MURS, VOYAGE EN LÉMURIE and FATIYA, which have had successful careers in festivals.

She writes fiction grounded in reality and speaks about desire in hostile contexts. Inspired by her involvement with young people in working-class neighborhoods, BESTIES, winner of the Gan Foundation, is her first feature film.

DIRECTOR

- 2022** BESTIES
LES CHATS ONT NEUF VIES, MOI UN PEU MOINS (in development)
NOS NUITS DANS LES ARBRES (medium-length film)
- 2019** FATIYA (short film)
- 2017** LES ORMES (short film)
- 2013** VOYAGE EN LÉMURIE (short film)
- 2011** FIN D'ÉTÉ (short film)
- 2010** LES MURS (short film)
- 2009** L'AVENIR EST INCERTAIN POUR NOUS QUI RESTONS ICI
(documentary)
VOICI VENU LE TEMPS DES PIRATES (anthology film)

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FEATURE FILMS

- 2022** BESTIES by Marion DESSEIGNE RAVEL
THE MALEDICTION by Abel DANAN
LE GANG DES BOIS DU TEMPLE by Rabah AMEUR-ZAIMECHE
DIVERTIMENTO by Marie-Castille MENTION-SCHAAR
BRUTUS VS CÉSAR by KHEIRON
2020 EYE ON JULIET by Kim N'GUYEN
2017 A WEDDING by Stéphane STREKER

TV SHOWS

- 2019-2021** FAMILY BUSINESS
2019 PHILARMONIA
2017 KABOUL KITCHEN

SHORT FILMS

- 2017** 2 : 30 by Medhi FIKRI
2014 SANS LES GANTS by Martin RAZY



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FEATURE FILMS

2022 BESTIES by Marion DESSEIGNE RAVEL

SHORT FILMS

2021 I YOU SHE GODFORD by Félix DOL MAILLOT

2020 2020 by Cora LLEDO

CAST

Nedjma	Lina EL ARABI
Zina	Esther BERNET-ROLLANDE
Samar	Maya ZROUKI
Leila	Kiyane BENAMARA
Carine	Tasnim JAMLAOUI
Yousra	Laetitia KERFA
Sofia	Mariama GUEYE
Patricia	Zoé MARCHAL
Fatima, the mother	Fadia BOUANATI
Sidiki	Azize ABDOULAYE DIABATE

CREW

Director	Marion DESSEIGNE RAVEL
Screenwriter	Marion DESSEIGNE RAVEL
Cinematographer	Lucile MERCIER
Sound	Nassim EL MOUNABBIH
Editing	Julie PICOULLEAU
First Assistant Director	Victor BAUSSONIE
Setting	Clémence PETINIAUD
Costumes	Constance ALLAIN
Delegate Producer	TRIPODE PRODUCTIONS 31 JUIN FILMS
Executive Producer	31 JUIN FILMS
Co-production	FRANCE 2 CINÉMA LE PACTE
In partnership with	FRANCE 2 CINÉCAP 3 CINÉVENTURE 5
French Distribution	LE PACTE
International Sales	LE PACTE