

New Nordic Noir made for Aarhus 2017

Nordic Noir has become hugely popular in the Nordic region and well beyond. A new initiative, *New* Nordic Noir (N3) aims at taking this success a step further, and create a new series or film with a regional set-up and based on a collaboration between writers, researcher, film makers and business people. N3 is created as a collaboration project between Filmby Aarhus and Aarhus 2017.

N3 consists of two interrelated activities:

- A course on series fiction writing, within the realm of Nordic Noir and addressed to foreign writers
- A lab on developing a series based on the West Coast to be published on TV, as games and as transmedia

The course will take place in a summerhouse on the West Coast of Jutland, Denmark, a perfect setting for a murder. With Nikolaj Scherfig, the Danish manuscript writer behind the TV-series 'The Bridge', as a key player, foreign writers are invited to participate in this course in New Nordic Noir writing.

The lab will consists of two labs, the first involving manuscript writers, researchers, local storytellers and others collaborate on developing a coherent storytelling universe from the West Coast. During a second lab, TV makers and producers, also from other countries, will meet to present ideas for a new series or film based on Nordic Noir traditions. The best idea will be awarded with a price.

Both courses and labs are scheduled for April and September 2017.

Why the West Coast? Because in this part of Denmark you find a very special light and atmosphere that support this New Nordic Noir feeling very well, according to Director Carsten Holst, Filmbyen Aarhus.

'Murder in the summerhouse' could be the working title for the activities that will take place on the West Coast of Jutland, Denmark, in 2017. We will have to wait until 2018 or 2019 to see the results - a new Nordic Noir series on our TV screens.

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Be updated on New Nordic Noir at Aarhus 2017's website.

Read what <u>Director Carsten Holst expects to achieve</u> through New Nordic Noir (in Danish!).

If you have fallen in love with Nordic Noir and Danish films and TV series, lots of stuff can be found here.

