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BILLION DOLLAR BABIES

Directed by **Pierre-Emmanuel Luneau-Daurignac**
Cinétévé / 90' & 52' / **Delivery June 2024**

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There is a form of misery that is right in front of our eyes that we choose not to see. Behind the idyllic image of major events with television audiences in the billions, competitive sports worldwide hides a tragic reality: the broken lives of hundreds of thousands of children around the world. We know that authoritarian regimes subject their future champions to extreme training conditions, but what we are less aware of is that those methods now set the tone for elite sports in western democracies.

Over the past few years, dozens of studies conducted by pediatricians, psychologists and sports sociologists have piled up, and their conclusions converge: in the vast majority of cases, high-level sports training abuses children. Defenders of children's rights are also drawing attention to the fact that there are no specific rules in place to protect children training for elite sports. After the doping and corruption scandals in the early 2000s and the recent revelations about the epidemic of sexual abuse, the abuse of elite child athletes is going to be the next revelation shaking up the world of sports.

► In anticipation of the 2024 Olympic Games, this film is a call to action to respect children's rights in the world of sports.

► An international investigation that will shed light on the machinery that is crushing future champions' bodies and minds. Filmed in several countries (France, Germany, Norway, Canada, Switzerland, UK and more) and interviews with sport experts, doctors, NGO representatives and athletes.

► Pierre-Emmanuel Luneau-Daurignac, the director (previous credits include *End Game: Breaking the Silence* - sold in over 20 territories), was one of the first journalists in the world to sound the alarm about an epidemic of abuse in sports. He works regularly with several institutions on issues affecting sports (Council of Europe, National convention on sexual violence in sport...).



OF TREES AND FORESTS

THE INVISIBLE WORLD

4K

ROUGH CUT AVAILABLE (EPISODE CANADA)
PW : OTAFCANADA

Written by **Christophe Cousin & Anaïs van Ditzhuyzen**
Cinétévé / 6 x 52' / **Delivery Early 2024**

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Secret networks, Wood Wide Web, superorganism... A scientific and discovery 4K series, *Of Trees and Forests* opens the doors to a world we only thought we knew. Committed scientists, researchers and more guides us in our quest to unveil the trees genius, their interconnections with other species and the invisible but fully interdependent ecosystem behind it. Through one legendary tree, each episode explores a primary forest with its own climate, fauna and flora. By revealing the forest's superpowers, the series serves as wake-up call to remind how urgent is to preserve these habitats.

- ▶ **Welcome to the Wood Wide Web:** trees interact with each other and feed a whole ecosystem composed of plants and animals.
- ▶ **The forest is a super organism of life** in which the living beings (plants, mosses, animals, bacteria) are interdependent.
- ▶ **6 episodes / 6 forests / 6 trees:** the forests and trees selected reflect different climates, cultures and issues.
- ▶ **Shooting locations:** Canada, Australia, France, Finland, Madagascar and French Guiana.



HOLY SURF

ONCE UPON A WAVE

Directed by **Benjamin Morel**

Yami2 Production / 90' & 52' / **Delivery April 2024**

The history of surfing is like one long ride in which surfers relay the baton to each other across the years on a single, endless wave. In order to understand how this ancestral Polynesian tradition was able to span the globe and the eras until it became a competitive sport and eventually won a place at the Olympics, we'll plunge into its history through the exceptional stories of those who allowed it to survive and be reinvented.

► The surfing competition in Tahiti for the 2024 Paris Olympics offers a unique opportunity to tell the story of what today's surfers are the heirs to.

► Interviews with special guests:

- Laird Hamilton (biggest surfing legend), Jeff Hakman (surfing legend & founder of Quiksilver USA), Justine Dupont (one of the best big wave surfers), Vahiné Fierro (best Tahitian surfer, qualified for the Olympics 2024), Randy Rarick (founder of the World Surf League) and more.

- Historians and specialists, world best surf photographers.

► Shooting locations: Waikiki (Hawaii, USA), Waimea & Sunset on the North Shore (Hawaii, USA), Makaha (Hawaii, USA), Malibu Beach & San Onofre (California, USA), Côte des Basques (Biarritz, France), Teahupo'o & Papara (Tahiti, French Polynesia).



HISTORY UNCOVERED COLLECTION

Showrunners: **Olivier Wieviorka & David Korn-Brzoza**
Cinétévé / 4 x 52' / **Delivery Spring 2024**

Myths die hard, and the history of the 20th century is no exception to the rule. Even now, there are dubious notions that we still take for Gospel truth. What if the historical truth was slightly different? This archive-based documentary collection revisits key moments in the 20th century from a new perspective in order to provide a subtler and more thoughtful interpretation, shedding light on elements that have been forgotten or sometimes overshadowed.

4 NEW EPISODES

Ep. The Cuban missile crisis, Kennedy's defeat

Ep. The New Deal, an American failure

Ep. Africa, hotspot of the Cold War

Ep. U-boat, the underwater scarecrow



INDOCHINA WAR

THE UNTOLD STORY

Directed by **David Korn-Brzoza**
Cinétévé / 90' / **Delivery Late 2023**

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70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF THE FIRST INDOCHINA WAR

It was the 20th century's most violent war of decolonization. From 1940 to 1954, the jewel in the crown of France's colonial empire was on fire. The French colonizer and Communist Viet Minh turned the Indochinese peninsula into a blazing inferno that blew away an entire population, an entire world. Each and every bomb, each and every round of ammunition masked military aid from major Western and Communist powers for whom winning the conflict had become a high stakes objective for the next stage of the Cold War... For the first time ever, this exceptional documentary aims to recount the entirety of that forgotten conflict, the prelude to the Vietnam War. Far from the clichés of heroic combats, the multiplicity of eyewitness accounts from that era and the stunning power of images reveal a war that was all-out, merciless and decisive: a Dirty War.

► A different history of the Indochina War: from the first portents of the war, to the departure of French troops, the conflict getting bogged down, dive into a thrilling tale presented with a 360° point of view.

► Above and beyond the French colonial conflict:

- A geopolitical war made up of alliances and secret deals between major powers (USA, Japan, China and France) in the context of the Cold War.
- A fratricidal war that led the country into civil war (the Vietnam War) several years later.

► An immersion in colonial Indochina through previously unseen archive materials from international sources (French, American, Chinese, Laotian, Cambodian and Vietnamese archive collections) as well as rare amateur footage. 30% of the archive images will be colorized and the sound remastered.

► David Korn-Brzoza, internationally renowned director of *After Hitler*, *French Decolonizations: blood and tears*, *Ku Klux Klan: an American History*.





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