

ZDF coproduction "Millennium" wins International Emmy Award

The ZDF coproduction "Millennium" has received an International Emmy Award in the TV Movie/Mini-Series category. The prize was conferred at the 39th Emmy Awards Gala in New York on Monday, November 21, 2011.

The screen adaptation of the "Millennium" trilogy by best-selling Swedish author Stieg Larsson was shot in Sweden in 2009. It is an international coproduction by Yellowbird, ZDF (commissioning editors: Klaus Bassiner and Wolfgang Feindt) and SVT, in collaboration with ZDF Enterprises and Nordisk Film. Starring Michael Nyqvist and Noomi Rapace, "Millennium" was first screened in European cinemas in a short version. ZDF then broadcast the original full-length version in January and February 2011 as a six-parter for German television's popular Sunday evening crime spot at 10 pm. Audience ratings averaged 4.17 million (with a 17.8 per cent market share), as the gripping exploits of Lisbeth Salander and investigative journalist Mikael Blomkvist kept viewers on the edge of their seats.

The International Emmy Award is regarded as one of the most prestigious accolades for TV productions and is conferred each year by the International Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

Photos are available from the ZDF's picture service: telephone 06131 – 70-16100 or go to <http://bilderdienst.zdf.de/presse/stieglarsson>

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