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Istanbul Biennial to Collaborate with Istanbul Film Festival This Year

The 2017 Istanbul Biennial, organized by the artist team of Michael Elmgreen and Ingar Dragset, will collaborate with this year's Istanbul Film Festival in the spirit of the biennial's theme, "a good neighbor." "There is nothing like the medium of film when it comes to visual storytelling, and as we know, good storytelling often includes moral conundrums that are important to understanding who we are and the societies we live in," said Elmgreen and Dragset.



The biennial is scheduled to open on September 16 and run through November 17, while the film festival will take place from April 5–15, 2017. Some of the films that will be featured in the collaboration are Jonathan Perel's *Toponimia* (2015), Michael Haneke's *The White Ribbon* (2009)—which James Quandt wrote about in the January 2010 issue of *Artforum*—Lars von Trier's *Dogville* (2003), and Samira Makhmalbaf's *Sib* (The Apple, 1998).







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