



## International Competition : Innovation in Moving Images

Country : Romania

### Clara

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2023 / Colour / 84 minutes / Romanian



**Director :** Sabin Dorohoi  
**Producer :** Daniel Burlac  
**Cinematographer :** Lulu de Hillerin  
**Editor :** Mircea Lacatus  
**Music :** Eduard Dabrowski  
**Cast :** Olga Torok, Ovidiu Crisan, Luca Puia

**Synopsis :** Set on the background of economic migration, the film tells the story of Clara, a divorced Romanian mother in her thirties who needs to work abroad in Ulm, a German town by the Danube river. She is a babysitter for a little girl who is very fond of her. At the same time, she has to leave behind her own 12 years old son under the care of his grandfather. They live in a poor Romanian village by the Danube river. Feeling abandoned by his mother, the boy runs away from home in an attempt to reach his mother by traveling on a small boat upriver. In this context, Clara has to come back home and face the life she left behind.



**Director's Biography :** Sabin Dorohoi graduated from the Film Academy from Bucharest. He founded WTS, a production company in the western part of Transylvania. He produced short films and TV documentaries, some of which were selected and awarded in film festivals around the world. His most internationally acclaimed creation was the short film *Way of the Danube* (2013), which won the grand prize at Oscar, qualified Chicago International Children's Film Festival - USA, the Cinematography award at Capalbio - Italy, the 'Young Public Award at CINEMED - Montpellier - France' and was selected in many festivals around the world such as Palm Springs ShortFest, Nordkapp, Vilnius, SEEFest Los Angeles, Olympia, Oulu, Lago, Lago, Postira, or California Independent Film Festival. *Clara* (shot in 2022) is his first feature film.

