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## Bars to face noise checks

CITY bars, pubs and restaurants in Málaga are to be targeted in an anti-noise campaign.

Inspections will be carried out to ensure they comply with regulations after claims that opening hour infringements and noise levels pose a problem for neighbouring properties.

A similar summer check on bar terraces led to a 38 per cent drop in the number of illegal chairs and tables outside more than 50 establishments.

Public Spaces representative Esther Molina said establishments will be told of possible irregularities with sanctions.

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### Dorfman's delight

THE Marbella International Film Festival finished with a bang on Sunday. Find out why producer Leonard Hill was so happy on page 21.



**FESTIVAL SPONSORS:** Euro Weekly News owners Michel and Steven Eusden pictured with newly-installed Euro Weekly News editor Neal Butterworth (left) and his wife Julie.

## Making festival news

**YOUR** Euro Weekly News was suitably glammed up for the occasion as the seventh Marbella International Film Festival came to a close with a gala evening and awards ceremony on Sunday.

Hosted by the H10 Andalucía Plaza Hotel at Puerto Banus, the

festival was sponsored by the Euro Weekly News and saw awards presented to winners in five film categories.

For a full round-up of the winners and photos from the festival, see pages 12, 22 & 23.

# Credits roll

## ... and there's

### Lights, action, party



THERE was certainly no shortage of glitz and glamour as the Euro Weekly News-sponsored festival opened into life on October 3.

Opening the day, it was all about the film and their creators, while by night it was a dance for everyone to network and let their hair down with a host of parties.

On Wednesday, a Spanish Flamenco-themed party complete with Spanish food, music and dance, kicked off the five nights of the festival.

On Thursday it was lights, cameras and action with a night of fashion, music and films as well as a fashion show by Gisele and Tencer Park, and a musical performance by The Cluzna at Finca Besosa.

The official festival party was on Friday night and hosted by Marbella Casino. It was a 60s-themed "Flower Power" party, while Saturday night was the "Movies and Musicals" party at the H10 with songs from throughout the decades and ladies in feathered costumes on swings, Moulin Rouge style.

The festival concluded with a bang at the Awards Ceremony Gala Dinner on Sunday night, when guests came dressed in black tie and evening gowns and were entertained by a musical tribute to Frank Sinatra in the H10's ballroom.

THERE were 65 entries to this year's Marbella Film Festival, including features, documentaries, animations and shorts. Nicole Hallett caught up with some of the producers and directors.



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**Dorfman**  
 EXPECT to see Dorfman at a cinema near you.

It treads the fine line between being an independent film and one that has a universally commercial appeal.

It's a romantic comedy about 27-year-old Deb Dorfman, a doorman who goes through a transformation after uprooting himself from the suburbs to revitalised downtown LA.

Producer Leonard Hill chose actress Sara Rue (*My Future Boyfriend*) as the lead as he wanted to portray an "everyday woman", one that viewers could relate to rather than a perfect model of beauty.

Bringing even more comedy to the screen with his classic one-liners was co-star, **Director Steve Ginc**.

at the Marbella Film Festival. It is about a disconnected family stranded near a mountain who embark on a spiritual journey.

"This story delves into that magical line between reality and fiction, dreams and awake, and life and immortality," said Jerry Alden Datz who wrote, directed and produced the film with his wife Jerry.

"It is also the first full length motion picture shot entirely on Mount Shasta in California."

**For the Children**  
 At four minutes 27 seconds, this was one of the shortest shorts at the festival.

For the Children is actually a series of heartrending photos set to a song written by Vancouver Steve Ginc.

"I wrote this as a poem when my daughter Sarana was born 14 years ago, and it's about the problems in Kosovo," said Steven. "I felt I had to tell their story. I thought if every picture speaks a



TOP, Mac Chakoveh, Festival Director, José Luis Hernández, Minister of Tourism and Phil Strang, Festival Director. Centre, swinging free of the Moulin Rouge party and, bottom, a Flamenco opening night flourish.

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# on festival

## plenty of talent on show



**EWN PARTY:** From left, EWN editor Neal Butterworth and wife Julie, EWN owners Steven and Michel Eudes, Peter Sheppard (Abbeygate Insurance), EWN operations director Nicki Burgess, Steve Tiley (Moneycorp) and wife Sian (The Hospital Group).

thousand words, so what if every picture cried a thousand tears?"

### Warhouse

While this film has a cast of two actors and very little dialogue, the action and emotions portrayed by the characters guide the viewer through the turmoil the characters go through.

"There is no dialogue in the first 25 minutes," said Benjamin Rued who co-wrote and produced this 'brutal psychological thriller with a

supernatural edge'.

The idea for the film came originally from Benjamin, who wrote the screenplay over a six-month period together with Luke Messer, who directed it.

### Notes from the New World

This is the vision of writer and director Vitaly Surin from St. Petersburg in Russia and made by VM Productions.

It is a love story set in Los Angeles in 2011 about a man, Steven, torn

between two women, the Russian Maria and millions of dollars, and is a retelling of Fyodor Dostoevsky's classic novella *Notes from Underground*.

"It is like a Greek tragedy," said Vitaly, who took great care in selecting the actors for the part, interviewing 'around 500 people' for the film which was shot over 21 days.

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**TOP, gala night writes end, below, showwoman Ananda Foster from Killer Heels.**

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