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Zentropa Director awarded prestigious scholarship

Animation director Anita Killi has received a three year Art Council scholarship from the Norwegian Ministry of Culture. Anita, who runs Trollfilm studios on her family farm in Dovre, is perhaps best known for her critically-acclaimed animated short Angry Man. Angry Man has won numerous awards, including top prizes at the Aspen Short Film Festival, and the Chicago International Children's Film Festival. Anita is "thrilled and honored" by the scholarship, and says she plans to use the funding as a means to explore and expand on her creative impulses.

Anita joined Zentropa International Norway last autumn, and is currently in development to direct her first animated feature, Prima Ballerina, which tells the story of a young girl balancing her dreams of dancing with the demands of living on a farm. "Anita's experiences and sensibilities are perfect for this project," says ZIN producer Valerie Saunders, "we couldn't ask for a better fit."



Director Anita Killi