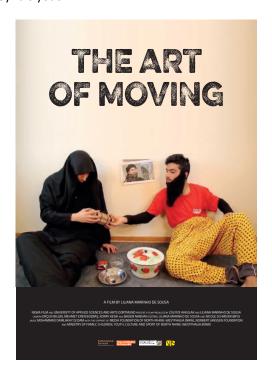
## **Documentary THE ART OF MOVING**

by Liliana Marinho de Sousa

Daya Al-Taesh is an anti-IS satirical web series created by a group of Syrian videoactivists. They produce the episodes from their base in Gaziantep, Turkey. After receiving threats from IS supporters they leave to Istanbul with the aim to broadcast an improved topical-comedy show for Syrian TV. But obstacles keep arising in an already unstable situation, pressuring the group's work and friendships. They are forced to make decisions about the future of their activism and the possibility of stable life in Istanbul, or elsewhere. This film is a refreshing take on the refugee crisis, the encroachment of IS and the fateful choices left to Syria's youth.



### Awards:

BBC Arabic Festival, 2017 London, Award for "Best Feature Documentary"

#### Film Festivals:

November 2016, 33rd Kassel Documentary Film and Video Festival, Germany January 2017, 19<sup>th</sup> Stranger Than Fiction Festival Cologne, Germany

February 2017, DOCfeed, Netherlands, Nominated for "Best International Feature Length Documentary"

March 2017, 3<sup>rd</sup> BBC Arabic Film Festival London, UK

April 2017, 36<sup>th</sup> Istanbul Film Festival, Turkey

April 2017, 46<sup>th</sup> Sehsüchte International Student Film Festival, Germany, *Nominated for "Best Production"* 

Trailer link: https://vimeo.com/153606870

# Press material:

Interview: The Art of Moving, BBC festival award-winning film on Syrian video activists <a href="http://english.ahram.org.eg/NewsContent/5/32/262157/Arts--Culture/Film/INTERVIEW-The-Art-of-Moving,-BBC-festival-awardwin.aspx">http://english.ahram.org.eg/NewsContent/5/32/262157/Arts--Culture/Film/INTERVIEW-The-Art-of-Moving,-BBC-festival-awardwin.aspx</a>

First-time filmmakers win host of awards at BBC Arabic Festival http://english.ahram.org.eg/News/261956.aspx

http://www.bbc.co.uk/blogs/aboutthebbc/entries/d988af04-faaa-4063-bc43-bfd36a3a0a54

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COMPLETION DATE: November 2016 SHOOTING LOCATIONS: Turkey LANGUAGES: Arabic, English, Turkish SUBTITLES: English



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