

„45qm“ press info of the movie, for FSFF

text in German

"Eine ziemlich perfekte Kombination aus Unterhaltung und Information bietet „45 m²“ von Stratos Tzitzis über eine junge Frau, die noch bei ihrer Mutter lebt, weil sie es sich trotz eines Vollzeitjobs finanziell nicht leisten kann, ausziehen. Von einer „600-Euro-Generation“ wird in Griechenland gesprochen, und dieser Spielfilm zeigt mehr von der Lebenswirklichkeit junger Menschen in Athen als manch an Wirtschaftsdaten überlaufender Beitrag der zahlreichen Politmagazine."

synopsis in English

Christina is a good-looking 23 year-old girl from a working-class family. She works as a sales assistant in a classy hand-bag emporium, and belongs to what the Greeks call "the €600 generation"—the young people who work for the minimum wage and live with their parents, because they can't afford to move out. But Christina has had enough of that. She decides to rent a place of her own where she can find herself away from her mother's watchful gaze. Overstretching herself financially, she moves into a 45m² flat: the rent's a bargain because the area's full of foreigners. A foreigner in their midst, she takes her first steps towards freedom.

But her steps take her ever further away from the world she knew till then and bring her into contact with another world whose concerns are closer to her own; a world represented by the young man who lived in the flat before her, whom she comes to know through the things he left behind. Encouraged by the notes of her unknown predecessor, which she finds among his possessions, she struggles against her financial limitations and fights to keep the house and not go back to her mother.

biographical notes

Stratos Tzitzis

Studied Economics, Politics and Cinema in Athens, where he made two 2 feature films (in 2000 and 2001). Moved to Berlin in 2004 . Returned to Athens in 2009 for his third feature film.

2000 *Love is an Elephant*

2001 *Save Me* (National Award for Best Actress, 2001)

2010 *45m²*

Efi Logginou

An up-and-coming Greek theatre actress, she played the lead role in the Athenian Art Theatre (Theatro Texnis) 2009 production of Marivaux's *The Game of Love and Chance*. She also starred in the TV series *Real Loves* (Alithinoi Eroles) on ALFA channel.

She plays her first starring role in a film in *45m²*.

credits

a Michlalis Panagiotopoulos Production
co-produced by the Greek Film Center, ERT SA and Sklavis studios
produced by Stratos Tzitzis & Michalis Panagiotopoulos

production manager: Nancy Kokolaki
director of photography: George Giannelis
sound: Vangelis Zelkas
image and sound editing: Aggela Despotidou
sound mixing: Kostas Varibobiotis
costumes: Ioanna Timotheadou
sets: Michalis Topkaras, Eirini Deligiorgi
make-up: Dimitra Giatrakou

written, produced and directed by Stratos Tzitzis

cast: Efi Logginou, Rania Oikonomidou, Alexandra Palaiologou, Giorgos Giannopoulos, Thanos Grammenos, Eirini Antypa, Antinoos Albanis, Dimitris Mavropoulos, Nikolas Piperas, Olga Pappa, Natalie Pavlof, Gioulina Daskalopoulou, Alexandra Zoe.

promo videos:

[45m2 trailer](#)

[45m2 demo](#)

[45m2 video clip](#)

awards:

CYPRUS INTERNATIONAL FILM FEST:

Best Leading Actress

The Audience award

<http://kinodefinirea.wordpress.com/2010/11/01/>