

# Mika'Ela Fisher



## Biography

### Fashion

Mika'Ela Fisher has worked for the Haute Couture house Max Dietl in Munich, having obtained her master's degree as a bespoke tailor. She showcased her work at the world master tailors' convention in Paris (Congrès Mondial des Maitres Tailleurs).

She posed as a model for French painters Boussignac and Hubert de Lartigue; and modeled for many years for the fashion houses Martin Margiela, Hermès, John Galliano... among others.

### Film

After years in the fashion world, she tried her hand in acting, following the acting courses of Jack Waltzer and John Strasberg. Fisher's portrayal of Zak, a ruthless killer in Guillaume Canet's *Tell No One*, was critically acclaimed, especially in the U.S. media.

She started directing in 2013 by the biographical short film *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit* (Valiant Hands in the Chaos of Time), for which she is both , director, producer and costume designer. This film has been selected at several festivals, and was honored with awards in categories such as best director, Best Short Film, best soundtrack, Best of Art, Best Costume Design .

*Victory's Short* ( 2014), her second short film as a director and producer, has been nominated at the *Milan International Film Festival* (MIFF Awards 2015). In her third film *Männin* (2015), inspired by Martin Luther's Bible, she plays the dual role of Adam and Eve. This art movie has won the *Award of Merit* at the *Accolade Global Film Competition* in the category Women film directors and was nominated as Best Short Film Avant-garde at the American Psychological Association APA Film Festival of 2015.

Her short movies started a theatrical run on 16 December 2015 in France. In 2016 she filmed a feature documentary *L'architecte textile* about sartorial art, while she was making a three-piece suit. The follow up will be a feature film now in development, *Die Höhenluft* (Pure Air of the Mountain).

## **Filmography as an actress**

- 2005: *Home Cinema* by Mika'ela Fisher and Philippe Fernandez: herself
- 2006: *Tell No One* by Guillaume Canet : Zak
- 2006: *Everyone Is Beautiful JohnGalliano Show* by Nick Knight: *Lady Tango Dancer*
- 2006: *Retour au pays* de Merzak Allouache: the Artist
- 2007: *La promenade* by Marina de Van : Prostitute no. 2
- 2008: *Lisa* by Lorenzo Recio: the Mother
- 2008: *Anything for Her* by Fred Cavayé: tattooed woman
- 2009: *The Lost Door* by Roy Stuart: Kristina
- 2010: *Image particulière* by Kevin Sean Michaels: Sophie
- 2011: *Boro in the Box* by Bertrand Mandico: Ligia
- 2011: *Out of Fashion: Maison Martin Margiela* by Martin Margiela: Model
- 2012: *The Naked Leading the Blind* by Wim Vanacker: Martha
- 2013: *Colt 45* by Fabrice du Welz: Mika
- 2013: *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit* by Mika Ela Fisher: Model
- 2014: *Victory's Short* by Mika'Ela Fisher and Benjamin Feitelson: Gabrielle Montvignier
- 2014: *Entre deux mondes* by Josée Dayan: Katerina
- 2015: *Männin* by Mika'Ela Fisher: Adam / Eve / Männin
- 2015: *The Artist Is Absent: A Short Film on Martin Margiela* by Alison Chernick: Model
- 2017: *Odile dans la vallée* by Bertrand Mandico and Elina Löwensohn: Odile
- 2017: *The Women Collection* by Claudio Duarte: Karl Lagerfeld
- 2017: *L'architecte textile* by Mika'Ela Fisher: herself mistress tailor

## **Filmography as a director**

- 2013: *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2014: *Victory's Short*
- 2015: *Männin*
- 2017: *L'architecte textile*

## **Filmography as a writer**

- 2013: *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2015: *Männin*
- 2017: *L'architecte textile*

## **Filmography as a producer**

- 2013: *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2014: *Victory's Short*
- 2015: *Männin*
- 2017: *L'architecte textile*

## **Awards and Nominations**

- 2015: *Award of Merit* (Women Filmmakers) at *Accolade Global Film Competition* for *Männin*
- 2015: *Award of Merit* (Costume Design) at the IndieFest for *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2015: *Award of Recognition* (Experimental) at the IndieFest for *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2015: *Award of Merit* (Film Short) at *Accolade Global Film Competition* for *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2014: *Silver Chris Award* (Best of Arts) at Columbus International Film and Video Festival for *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2012: *best supporting actress* at *American International Film Festival* for *The Naked Leading the Blind*.

## **Nominations**

- 2015 Best Short Film at Milan International Film Festival for *Victory's Short*
- 2013: *best director* at *Maverick Movie Awards* for *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2013: *best director* at *Maverick Movie Awards* for *Die Tapferen Haende im Chaos der Zeit*
- 2013: *best actress* at *Northwest Ohio Independent Film Festival* for *The Naked Leading the Blind*
- 2012: *best supporting actress* at *Maverick Movie Awards* for *The Naked Leading the Blind*

**IMDb:** <http://www.imdb.me/mika-elafisher>