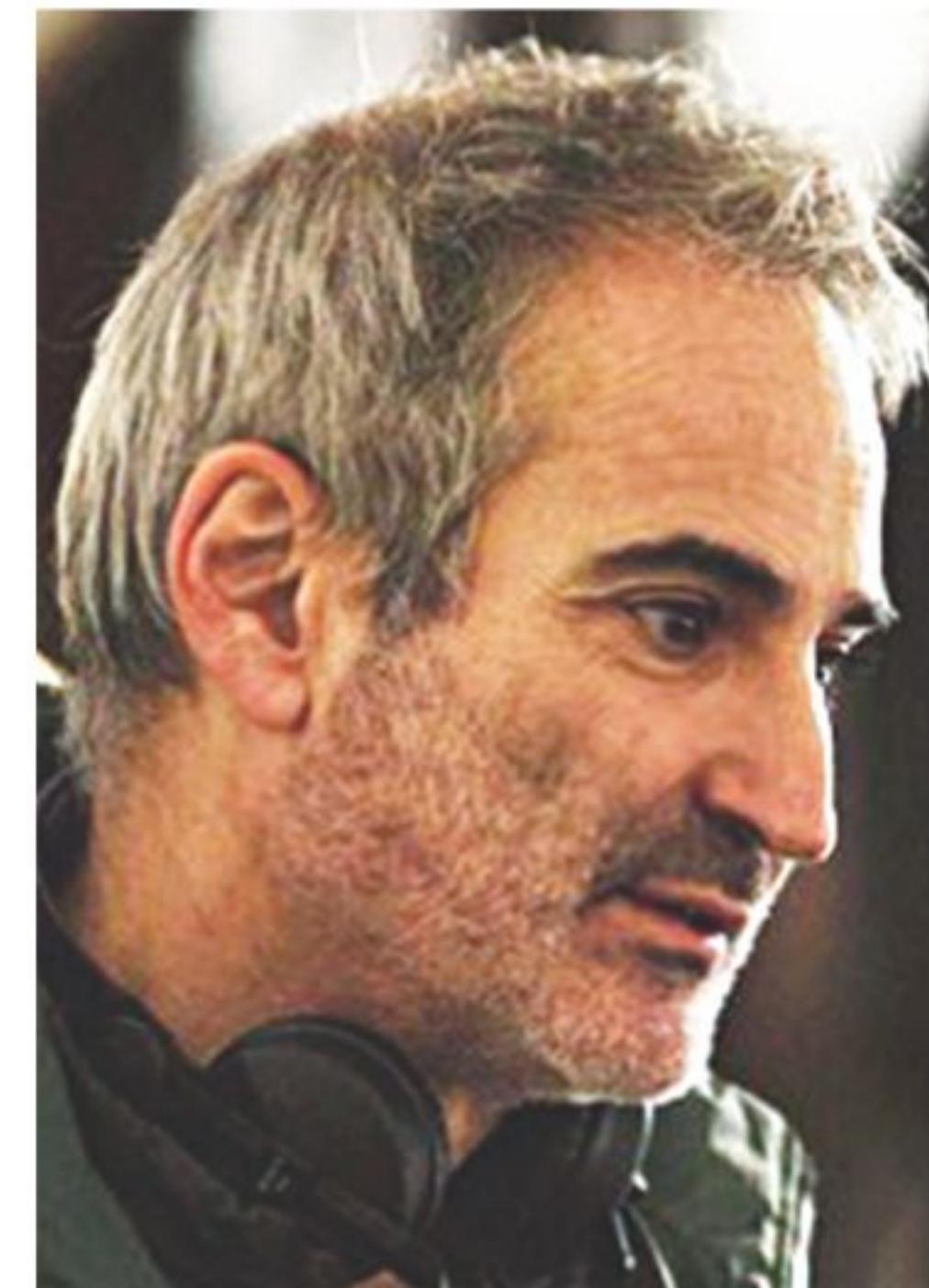


Todd Haynes is awarded the Pardo d'onore

As an exclusive award of the Locarno Festival, the prestigious "Pardo d'onore (Leopard of Honor)" is given to exemplary film directors who not only embody passion in the world of filmmaking, but has produced masterpieces and has thoroughly contributed to the development of the festival. This year, at the Locarno Festival's 70th iteration, the "Pardo d'onore" is being given to the American director, producer and screenwriter Todd Haynes. Haynes has quite the amount of awards and nominations in his name, and his latest film *Wonderstruck* is set to be screened in this year's Locarno Festival. Another of Haynes' film, *Poison*, was his debut feature in Locarno back in 1991, and is also set to be screened this year. Haynes is known for focusing in violent moral themes, and his movies portray issues regarding reality in a vivid manner.

Source: Locarno Official Website



Olivier Assayas



Yousry Nasrallah



Sabine Azéma

Olivier Assayas, Yousry Nasrallah and Sabine Azéma

Will Be Heading 70th Locarno Festival

Olivier Assayas, Yousry Nasrallah and Sabine Azéma will be the Jury Presidents at the 70th Locarno Festival. The screenwriter and director Olivier Assayas has already made his mark at the festival in 2014 with the acclaimed *Sils Maria*, starring Juliette Binoche. Assayas has made 9 full-length features, ranging across a variety of subjects, places and genres. Assayas has

always proved adept at bringing out the talent of his cast. Yousry Nasrallah, an assistant to Youssef Chahine, made his debut in 1988. He has presented several of his films at Locarno, including the touching documentary *A propos des garçons, des filles et du voile*. Nasrallah makes films for a cinema of highly charged themes, ranging from sensuality to strongly politi-

cal. The President of the "Pardi di domain" Competition Jury will include the immensely popular French film actress Sabine Azéma. Two-time winner of a César award for Best Actress, Azéma became something of a personal muse for director Alain Resnais, with whom she made her debut in 1983.

Source: Locarno Official Website

Hilary Duff Gets Robbed

Hilary Duff is the latest to join the long list of celebrities who were robbed. While on a vacation in Canada with her family, Duff's Beverly Hills home was burgled. The thieves made off with hundreds of thousands dollars worth of jewelry. She had posted a few of pictures and videos making it clear that she was not home. That is

probably how the robbers knew when to rob. They broke in through the door and looked around until they found what they were looking for. The alarm apparently never went off. Hopefully there will be no more bad news coming in the way of "Lizzie McGuire".

Source: Internet

