UM CORAÇÃO INCENDIÁRIO (A FIRESTARTER'S HEART)



Portugal, 2026, FIC, , Colour, 55'

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Director:	Carlos Conceição
Producer:	Carlos Conceição, António Gonçalves, MIRABILIS
Script:	Carlos Conceição
Editing:	Mariana Gaivão, António Gonçalves, Carlos Conceição
Photography:	Vasco Viana
Sound:	Rafael Cardoso, Hugo Leitão
Music:	Hugo Leitão
Animation:	Luís Guerreiro
Main Actors:	João Arrais, Anabela Moreira, Inês Costa
Original Language:	Portuguese
Subtitles:	English
Synopsis:	A homeless teenager is trained by a rather eccentric mother and daughter to become the perfect husband for the girl. It all seems quite innocent until it isn't.

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Carlos Conceição

Carlos Conceição, born in Angola, majored in cinema at the ESTC in Lisbon, and in English Literature of Romanticism. His first short film, "The Flesh" (2010), was given the New Talent Award at Indie Lisboa in 2010, while "Versailles" (2013) competed at the prestigious Locarno Film Festival. Both "Good Night Cinderella" (2014) and "Bad Bunny" (2017) made their debut in competition at the Cannes Film Festival with great reactions from the public and critics. "Bad Bunny" went on to win several international awards and the Sophia for best Portuguese short film. Carlosalso had full retrospectives at the Cinemathèque Française in Paris and at the Amiens Film Festival, as well as at Curtas Vila do Conde. The feature film "Serpentarius" premiered at the Berlin Film Festival in 2019 and has won awards over the following year, including Best First Feature at DocLisboa, Best Film at SiciliaQueer, Best Film and Best Editing at FilmMadrid, Best Director at Pontevedra, as well as an honorable mention for Best Film at the Nouveau Film Festival in Montreal and the Audience Award in Burgas, Bulgaria. The film was also part of the most important non-competitive European programs, such as the Vienalle. "Name Above Title" is the first of 3 one-hour films that satirize a fictional underworld in the Lisbon of today.

Filmography:

2026 Um Coração Incendiário
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2020 UM FIO DE BABA ESCARLATE
Portugal, 2020, FIC, DCP, Colour, 59'

2019 SERPENTÁRIO
Portugal, Angola, 2019, DOC, DCP, Colour, 85'

2017 COELHO MAU
Portugal, France, 2017, FIC, Blu-Ray Disc (BD), DCP, HD, Colour, 30'

2015 ACORDA, LEVIATÃ
Portugal, Angola, 2015, DOC, EXP, FIC, HD, Colour, 20'

2014 BOA NOITE CINDERELA
Portugal, 2014, FIC, HD, Colour, 30'

2013 VERSAILLES
Portugal, 2013, FIC, HD, Colour, 21'

2011 O INFERNO
Portugal, 2011, FIC, HD, Colour, 20'50"

2009 **DUAS ARANHAS**
Drama, HDV, Colour, 9'

2010 **CARNE**
Drama, HD, Colour, 20'

Festival Selections

2026 Caminhos do Cinema Português, Portugal
2026 Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival, Portugal

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