

Biography Martijn Lakemeier

Martijn Lakemeier (1993) first came to the scene at age of 14, when he made his acting debut in *WINTER IN WARTIME*, the Dutch Oscar submission in 2010. For his magnificent portrayal of a young boy coming of age during World War II, he won the prestigious Dutch film award the Golden Calf for Best Actor. He is the youngest winner to date. Besides the Golden Calf, Martijn was also awarded the Rembrandt Award for Best Actor, an important Dutch audience award.

Nearly one million people went to see *WINTER IN WARTIME* in Dutch cinemas, which is a huge box office hit for Dutch standards. The film crossed the Dutch borders and was awarded Best Film at the annual European Youth Film Festival of Rome and was selected as the Dutch entry for the Academy Awards. *WINTER IN WARTIME* had theatrical releases in the US, Germany, Great Britain and Canada.

In 2009 Martijn played his second leading role in the teenage movie *LOVER OR LOSER* directed by Dave Schram, after the book by immensely popular Dutch children's writer Carry Slee. In 2011, Martijn plays another leading role in the well-received Dutch short film *DAYS OF GRASS*.

After graduating high school, Martijn is added to the cast of the popular Dutch TV series *FEUTEN*, in which he plays the Dutch heir to the throne in his freshman years. Later that year Martijn can be seen in the critically acclaimed Dutch dramaseries *THE SECRETS OF BARSLET*.

The same year Martijn stars in three Dutch movies: the award-winning film *THE MARATHON*, the arthouse film *IT IS ALL SO QUIET*, by Golden Calf winning director Nanouk Leopold and *YOUNG* by Colette Bothof.

In 2014 *DUTCH HOPE*, in which Martijn plays one of the lead roles, wins a Golden Calf (Dutch equivalent of the Emmy Awards) for best TV drama series. Furthermore he plays roles in the films *SUMMER* and in *ZURICH*.

In 2015 Martijn played in the film *VENTOUX*, after the Dutch best selling novel by Bert Wagendorp. And in the romantic comedy *Yes, I Do!* In which he plays one of the lead roles.

In 2016 he played on of the leads in the film *VENTOUX* directed by Nicole van Kilsdonk. In that same year he finished shooting a French film *TOUT LÁ-HAUT*. Currently he is on set of the second season of successful TV series *DUTCH HOPE*.