

## IN DEN BINSEN | RUSHES

Q & A with Andreas and Clara



### 1. *What triggered you to make this film?*

Andreas answers:

- The film was made in collaboration with Arte and SWR. They held a seminar, where one could apply for funding for producing a short film. My script was chosen for the programme, and I asked Clara to help me with realising that project.

Clara answers:

- At first I hesitated to join the project because I'm not that familiar with the topic and the script was there already. However, it sounded very exciting, so I agreed and we updated the script together.

### 2. *What's your connection to the hunting milieu?*

Andreas answers:

- I'm from the south of Austria, where hunting is a big thing. I have no personal relation to hunting.

Clara answers:

- Me neither.

### 3. *Why are you concerned with the theme of coming out?*

Andreas answers:

- I wanted to portray how coming out is an issue which for some people is hard to face, and for some not at all.

Clara answers:

- For me it's exciting that the film portrays the theme undramatically and against the expectations of the audience.

### 4. *What were the biggest obstacles in the making of the film?*

Clara answers:

- We didn't really have any big obstacles. We had two days of filming in January, and the cold and the weather were probably an issue during this process.

### 5. *How much was planned, how much was improvised?*

Clara answers:

- We planned and practiced a lot. We didn't change any dialogues from the script.

Andreas answers:

- The script was originally written in Austrian dialect, but I changed it to Bavarian.

### 6. *What is your dream job?*

Andreas answers:

- Scriptwriter.

Clara answers:

- Filmmaker.

*7. What kind of exciting background stories did you experience?*

Clara answers:

- We actually planned to film real deer, which we didn't do in the end. The hunting training was fun, and we met with a real female hunter. Furthermore, we were taught Bavarian.

Andreas answers:

- It was a very beautiful project, with a good team. I'm proud of the good feedback we've gotten on the film.

*8. What about upcoming projects?*

Andreas answers:

- I want to extend the film into a full feature, to have it as my graduation work.

Clara answers:

- Right now I'm busy with my graduation film as well. However, I am looking forward to working with the team of "Rushes" again.