

Pegah Ferydoni

Actress

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Biography

Pegah Ferydoni was born in Teheran on June 25th 1983. When she was two years old, her parents – who are both artists – fled with her to Germany. After internships at several theatres, she played the lead in the short film "Skifahren unter Wasser" (2003). This was followed by numerous appearances in German TV series like "Großstadtrevier", "SOKO 5113" and "Tatort". She also regularly performs at several theatres in Berlin, and alongside her acting career, plays in the band "Shanghai Electric".



Pegah Ferydoni's breakthrough came in 2006 with her role as a highly religious Muslim girl in the acclaimed TV series "Türkisch für Anfänger". She continued to work in film and television, appearing in "Folge der Feder!" (2004), "Wenn wir uns begegnen" (2007, TV), "Sklaven und Herren" (2008, TV) and Til Schweigers box office hit "Zweiohrküken" (2009). She also starred in "Women without Men" by Shirin Neshat, who won the Silver Lion for Best Direction at the 2009 Venice Film Festival.

In 2010, Pegah Ferydoni played the titular role in "Ayla", a drama about a young woman's confrontation with the rigid morale beliefs and gender politics of a conservative Muslim family.

Filmography (selection)

2011/2012	Türkisch für Anfänger (Cast)
2009/2010	Ayla (Cast)
2009/2010	The Green Wave (Participation)
2009-2011	Hexe Lilli - Die Reise nach Mandolan (Cast)
2009	Zweiohrküken (Cast)
2009	Women without men (Cast)
2008/2009	Der verlorene Sohn (Cast)
2008/2009	Baum der Erlösung (Cast)
2008	Sklaven und Herren (Cast)
2004	Folge der Feder! (Cast)

Awards (selection)

2011	Adolf-Grimme Award for "The Green Wave" category 'information and culture'
2009	cinema for peace special award for "women without men/ summer53"
2009	"Silver Lion" cat. " Best Director" für "women without men/ summer 53" at 66th Venice Film Festival
2007	Adolf-Grimme Award for „Türkisch für Anfänger“