



**National  
Television Awards,  
London**  
*Most Popular Talent Show*  
**The X Factor**

The team of *The X Factor*: Louis Walsh, Sharon Osbourne, Simon Cowell, Dannii Minogue and Dermot O'Leary pose with the award for Most Popular Talent Show at the National Television Awards 2007 at the Royal Albert Hall on 31 October 2007

A photograph of a woman with long dark hair, wearing a black dress with a cutout, laughing joyfully. Next to her, a man in a dark suit and tie looks towards her with a slight smile. The background is plain white.

# Treading the red carpet

Another year, another exciting round of awards and anniversaries. It seems there's always something to celebrate somewhere within RTL Group's sphere of influence. So while we choose our evening gowns and bow ties, and put the champagne on ice for 2008, please read about some of our 2007 successes.

UFA CEO Wolf Bauer  
and Jenny Jürgens



Francis Fulton-Smith  
and his wife Verena



Norbert Sauer, CEO of UFA Film & TV  
Produktion, and the famous German  
cinematographer Michael Ballhaus

## Anniversary: 90 Years UFA

*Berlin, 24 August 2007*

*Founded in 1917, UFA has led many different lives. From legend of the early silver screen, through hard times, to today's successful group of TV production companies, UFA is much younger at heart than its 90 years would suggest.*

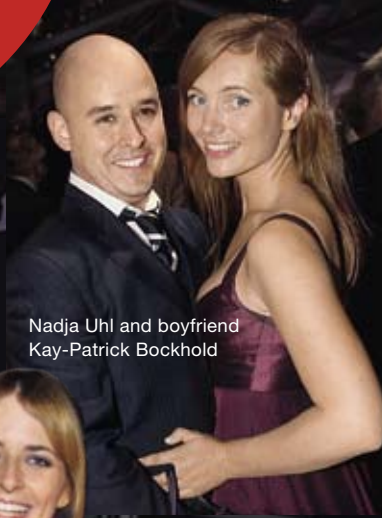


Lisa Martinek



Jo Groebel and  
Grit Weiss

Nina-Friederike Gnädig, Laura Osswald,  
Nina Bott and Susan Sideropoulos



Nadja Uhl and boyfriend  
Kay-Patrick Bockhold



Sebastian Koch  
and Carice van Houten

Gunter Thielen and Berlin's Governing Mayor Klaus Wowereit

Sonja Kirchberger and Jochen Nickel



Eva Padberg





Hugh Laurie poses backstage with the cast of *Heroes*

### Highlights 2007

A glittering array of awards reflects the diversity and quality of talent throughout the RTL Group. And as well as confirming the critical acclaim we receive, most importantly, the awards highlight the audience appeal of our output. In addition to awards celebrated elsewhere on these pages, Five won the RTS Arts award for its documentary *9/11: Out of the Blue*, M6 programmes were honoured at both the La Rochelle Fiction Festival and the Sport Image Festival, and RTL Radio France received a Micros d'or for its new station RTL L'Equipe, while its presenter Christophe Hondelatte was honoured for his respect for the French language. We also have two birthdays to add to those featured in pictures: RTL Radio Luxemburg celebrated becoming 50, while N-TV, Germany's first news channel, reached 15 years of age.

## Golden Globe Awards, USA: Hugh Laurie

*Best Performance by an Actor in a Television Series*

Hugh Laurie won the award for his role in *House*, shown on RTL Television in Germany, Five in the UK and RTL-TVI in Belgium. The ceremony was hosted by the cast of *Heroes*, which is shown on RTL II in Germany.

## People's Choice Award, USA: Eva Longoria

*Favorite Female TV Star*

Awarded to Eva Longoria for her role in *Desperate Housewives*, shown with high ratings on M6 in France and RTL-TVI in Belgium.

## Onda Awards, Spain: *El Internado*

*Best Spanish Series*

*El Internado* was honoured for its high production values and its commitment to exploring new avenues in Spanish fiction.



**German TV Awards 2007  
Winners  
RTL Television:  
RTL Aktuell**

*Best news programme*

**Super Nanny**

*Best coaching format*



Best news programme for *RTL Aktuell*:  
Presenter Ulrike von der Groeben, Anchor and Editor-in-Chief  
Peter Kloeppel and Presenter Lothar Keller.

Best coaching format:  
Was Katharina Saalfrank's award for her sterling advice as  
*Die Super Nanny*, or was it for the show's compelling attraction for  
viewers? One leads to the other we believe, and it  
capped a wonderful year for RTL Television's coaching formats,  
where experts provide solutions to real-life problems.



A photograph of actress Maria Furtwängler and producer Nico Hofmann. Maria is on the left, wearing a black strapless dress, smiling broadly. Nico is on the right, wearing a dark suit and a white shirt, also smiling and holding a golden award statue. The background is dark with some blurred lights.

## **Diva 2008: Die Flucht**

*TV Event of the Year*

*When viewers had the opportunity to vote for the TV Event of the Year, 43 per cent voted for the Teamworx production Die Flucht, a moving and important story presented in an accessible way.*

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It seems Germany loves big event TV, particularly epic historical stories, often in two parts. Production house Teamworx has made these a speciality in recent times, and the films *Die Flucht*, *Tornado – Der Zorn des Himmels*, *Nicht alle waren Mörder* and *Rose* were all recognised at the German Television Awards, where Teamworx celebrated six awards in total.

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## Anniversary: 20 Years M6

Paris, 8 March 2007

Launched in March 1987 with authorisation to become France's sixth analogue TV channel, M6 has grown and diversified spectacularly over 20 years – with DTT channels, pay channels, many different websites, a mobile phone brand and a pro football club.

Marianne James and Magloire; Delphine Chaneac; Thomas Valentin, Groupe M6's head of TV channels and content, with Guy Lagache, the presenter of *Capital*; Gerhard Zeiler, CEO of RTL Group, Nicolas de Tavernost, CEO of Groupe M6 and the former French Prime Minister, Jean-Pierre Raffarin; Virginie Efira, the host of the talent show *Nouvelle Star*; French rapper Faf Larage; French singer Dick Rivers; Mélissa Theuriau, anchorwoman of the popular information programme *Zone Interdite*, with Laurent Boyer



## American Idol's Idol Gives Back

Los Angeles, 8 September 2007

## 59th Primetime Creative Arts Emmy Awards

Nigel Lythgoe receives the Governors Award for *Idol Gives Back* in Los Angeles California.

News anchorman Laurent Haulotte  
and King Albert II of Belgium

## Anniversary: 20 Years RTL-TVI

*Brussels, 6 September 2007*

*Twenty years have passed since French-speaking Belgian viewers discovered a brand new channel on their TVs – though despite the photo above, the King of Belgium wasn't a presenter. Now, in addition to the popular 'new' channel, RTL-TVI offers a family of TV channels, radio stations and popular websites.*

