

MADRID

21 districts

to tell

great stories



Madrid
Film Office





M A D R I D

The city of Madrid is the capital and biggest city of Spain. Located in the geographical centre of Spain, in the most southwestern part of Europe, it is also the political, economic, and cultural centre of the country.

Madrid offers a wide variety of locations within very short distance, ranging from countless urban, popular, heritage and natural spaces available along the 21 districts that make up the city, which stands out as one of Europe's most vibrant metropolis, to arid areas in the south or the forests, lakes and high mountain landscapes in the north of the region.

This diversity also enjoys both an excellent inner connectivity, thanks to its extensive road network, and external communications, with one of Europe's leading airports and the central hub of the world's second largest high-speed rail network.

The climate offers a wide range of temperatures, oscillating between 0°C in winter and 40°C in summer, and more than 3,200 hours of sunshine per year, which means that at any time of the year you can enjoy one of its famous blue skies, that made painters, such as Velázquez, fall in love with the city.

For all these reasons, Madrid is the city where most filming takes place in Spain.

Madrid, with its 21 districts, is a city to tell great stories.



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MADRID FILM OFFICE

Madrid Film Office, the audiovisual office of the Madrid City Council, is a public service whose mission is to promote the city as a filming location, assist companies and professionals that choose the city of Madrid to carry out their projects, support the Madrid audiovisual sector and stimulate investment and local development.

Madrid Film Office collaborates from the pre-production phase to facilitate the search for locations, advises you on permits and accompanies you during the development your audiovisual projects in the city of Madrid.

Madrid Film Office works to promote audiovisual production in Madrid by actively promoting the possibilities its different spaces offer, the strength of its industry and the experience of its professionals. Supporting and fostering the audiovisual sector, the rest of the city's creative industries and the wide variety of services that derive from them, the Madrid Film Office seeks to boost the economic development and international image of Madrid, enhancing the attractiveness of the city for its inhabitants, workers and visitors.

Contact us. We will be glad to help you to make your project possible in Madrid.

REASONS TO FILM IN MADRID



TAX INCENTIVES

30% - 25% Tax Rebate for national and international productions.

LOCAL GRANTS

Access, through a local company, to different funds available from the City Council and Region of Madrid, as well as Spanish Film Funds.

INDUSTRY

More than 3,100 companies that represent 32.4% of the national census in the audiovisual sector.

SERVICES

Suppliers and service companies with availability of the latest technologies.

POST-PRODUCTION

Leading animation, special effects and post-production companies.

STUDIOS

Extensive variety of studios of different size and technologies available for virtual shoots.

CLIMATE

A wide range of temperatures and more than 3,200 hours of sunshine a year to enjoy Madrid's renowned blue skies.

SAFETY

Safe destination to work and visit.

ACCESSIBILITY

A wide range of locations at a maximum distance of 1 hour from Madrid city centre.

AIRPORT

More than 200 direct flights to more than 70 countries

TRAIN

Central hub of the world's second largest high-speed rail network

SUBWAY

Second largest underground network in Europe, eighth largest in the world

HOTELS

Wide range of hotels and catering services

BUILDINGS

From historic neighbourhoods to skyscrapers and modern architecture.

NATURE

From desert areas to swamps, forests and high mountain areas at less than 1 hour from the city centre.

HERITAGE

Palaces, churches, museums and even an Egyptian temple.

VERSATILITY

Madrid has been used to recreate a great diversity of cities such as Paris, Moscow, Los Angeles, New York, Mexico and Berlin, among others.

ASSISTANCE

Support in location scouting and permit processing.

TAX INCENTIVES

30% Tax Rebate for International Productions

International productions can access **tax deductions on Corporation Tax**, as provided for in Law 27/2014, of November 27, on Corporate Income Tax, in its **article 36.2** and **article 39**.

The deduction is applicable to the Spanish production companies registered on the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport's Film Company Register who are managing the foreign production. This means that **it's the "service company" which takes on the executive production and which carries out the tax procedures** involved in applying for a tax rebate.

Project types

Feature films, television series, animated films and documentaries.

Amount of the deduction

30% Tax rebate with respect to the first million euros of the base of the deduction, 25% for the rest of the expenditure made in Spain.

Maximum rebate limit

20 million euros for each production carried out. In the case of tv series, the deduction is determined per episode and the limit referred to in the previous paragraph is 10 million euros for each episode produced.

Minimum expenditure made in Spain

The deduction will apply provided that the expenses incurred in Spanish territory are at least 1 million euros, with the following special cases:

- Animation productions: the minimum amount of expenditure incurred in Spanish territory is 200,000 euros.

- Visual effects services: If the producer is responsible for the execution of visual effects services and the expenses incurred in Spanish territory are less than 1 million euros, the deduction will be 30%.

Rebate base

Eligible expenses incurred in Spain: creative staff residing in the country or another European Union state (up to a limit of €100,000 per person), and technical and complementary services.

Procedure

The Spanish service production company must file a corporate tax return, applying the corresponding deduction.



TAX INCENTIVES

30% Tax Rebate for National Productions and Co-productions

Spanish productions and international co-productions can gain access to tax credit on Corporation Tax, as provided for in Law 27/2014, of November 27, on Corporate Income Tax, in its **article 36.1** and **article 39**.

Project types

Feature-length, series and short films of fiction, animation, or documentary.

Amount of the deduction

30% Tax rebate with respect to the first million euros of the base of the deduction, 25% for the rest of the expenditure made in Spain.

Maximum rebate limit

20 million euros for each production carried out. In the case of tv series, the deduction is determined per episode and the limit referred to in the previous paragraph is 10 million euros for each episode produced.

In the event of a co-production, the amounts will be determined, for each co-producer, based on their respective percentage of participation in the co-production.

The amount of all tax incentives received may not exceed 50% of the production cost, although this limit is raised in some cases:

- 85% for short films.
- 80% for productions directed by a newcomer, productions shot entirely in one of the Spanish co-official languages, and productions directed exclusively by people with a disability equal to or greater than 33%.
- 75% for productions directed exclusively by female directors; productions with special cultural and artistic value that require exceptional financial support; documentaries and animated works with a production budget of no more than €2,500,000.
- 60% for cross-border productions financed by more than one EU Member State and involving producers from more than one Member State; and international co-productions with Ibero-American countries.

Base of the deduction

The total cost of production and the cost of copies, advertising, and promotion financed by the producer (with a limit of 40% of production costs).

At least 50% of the deduction base must correspond to expenses incurred in Spanish territory. The base of the deduction will be reduced by the amount of subsidies received to finance the investments that generate the right to deduction.

Requirements for accessing deduction

That the production obtains the corresponding certificate of nationality and the certificate proving its cultural character.

That a new, perfect copy of the production be delivered to the Spanish Film Library or the film library corresponding to each Autonomous Community.

Procedure

The deduction will be generated in each tax period from the production cost therein incurred, although it will

be applied starting from the tax period in which the production of the work ends.

Deduction for participation in the financing of works

Access to deduction will also be granted to those entities financing Spanish audiovisual works, when amounts are contributed as financing, to defray all or part of the production costs without acquiring intellectual property or other rights with respect to its results, it being necessary in all cases for the property to correspond to the production company. (article 39, Law 27/2014).

More information & contact

COPRODUCE WITH MADRID

Why co-produce with Madrid?

Co-productions allow to establish synergies and share creative, technical and financial resources to develop a project. They foster collaboration, exchange of knowledge and the development of cultural bounds between different countries.

A co-production is considered Spanish if the production agreement between the Spanish company and one or more companies of other countries is made under one of the official co-production treaties (bilateral or multilateral agreements) or according to the rules of Spanish Cinema Law (Real Decreto 1084/2015, December 4).

General requirements to coproduce with Spain

- Request approval to coproduce before starting the film shoot.
- Be considered national in each of the countries.
- Creative, technical team and companies of the nationality of the co-producers.
- Percentage of participation of each country:
 - Two countries: 20% - 80%
 - More than two countries: 10% - 70%

Check out the internacional co-production treaties.

Qualifying as an official Spanish co-production means eligibility to apply for the tax incentives for national productions and coproductions (see previous page) and other funds available.

What Film Funds are available when you co-produce with Madrid?

MADRID CITY COUNCIL FUNDS

Line 1: Production of feature films (fiction, animation, documentary)

Line 2. Promotion and Distribution of feature films

Total budget: € 3,000,000, extendable to € 5,000,000 in 2026

More information & contact

REGION OF MADRID FUNDS

Lines: Project Development, Feature Film Production and Short Film Production.

Total budget: € 5.000.000 in 2026

More information & contact

SPANISH FILM FUNDS (ICAA)

Lines: Production (feature films and short films) and Distribution, among others.

Total budget (in 2023): € 95.000.000 for Production and € 7.000.000 for Distribution.

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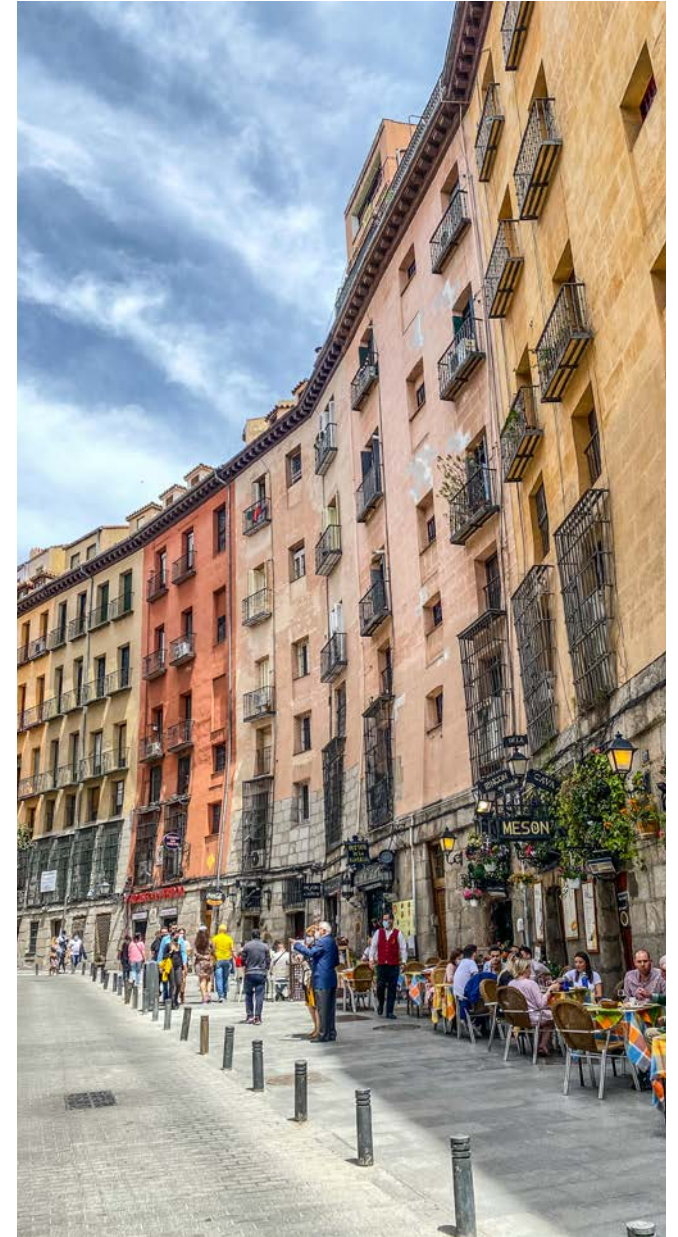
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Historic centre



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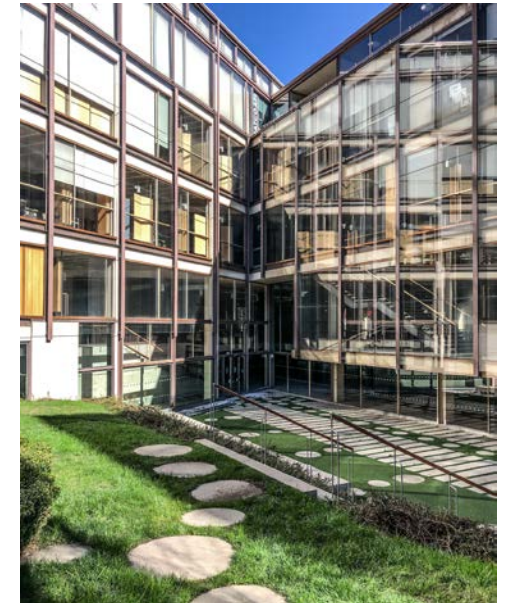
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Bussiness areas

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Modern Architecture



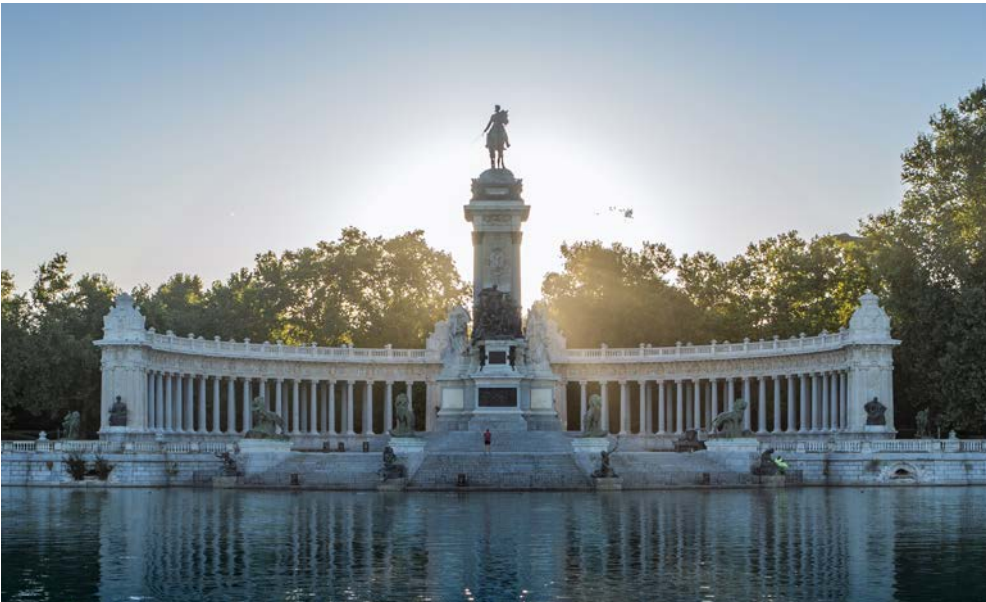
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Residential areas



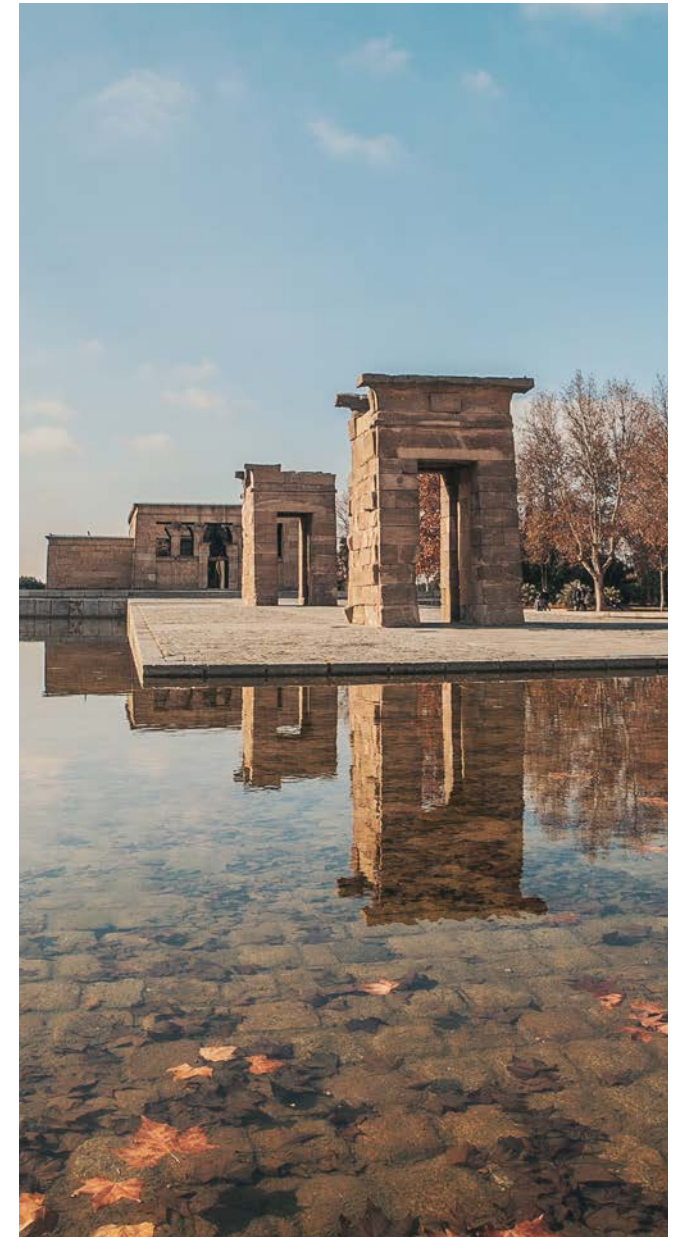
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Parks and gardens



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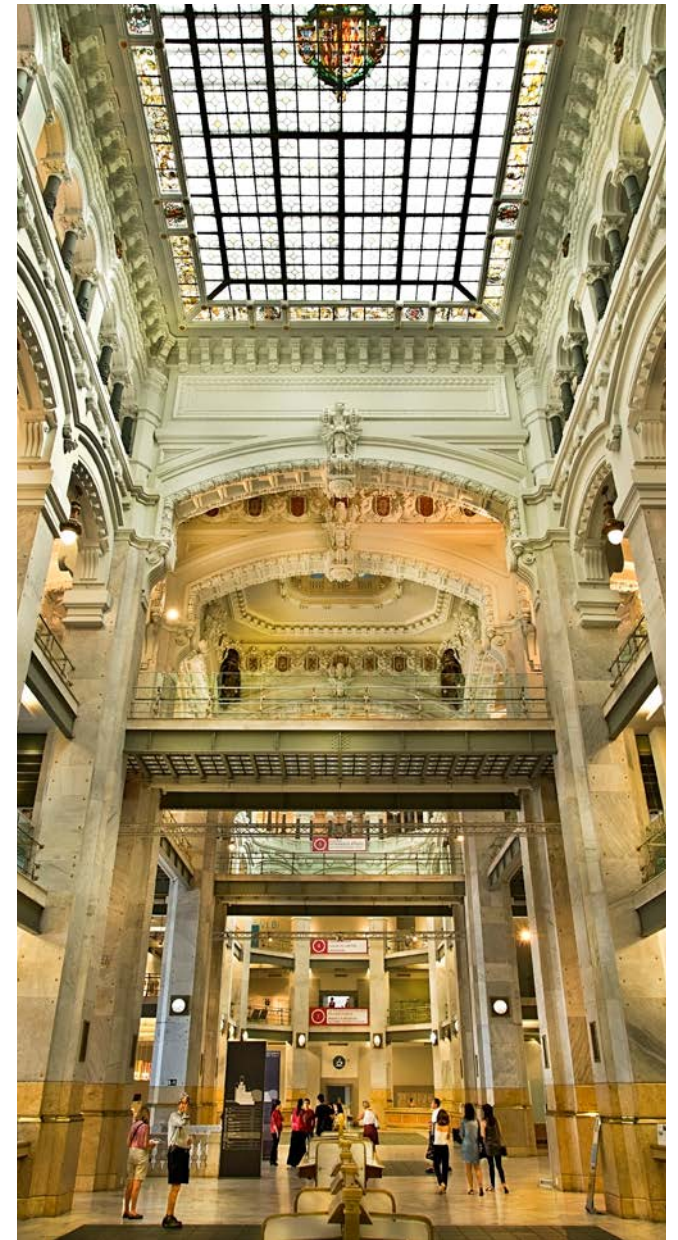
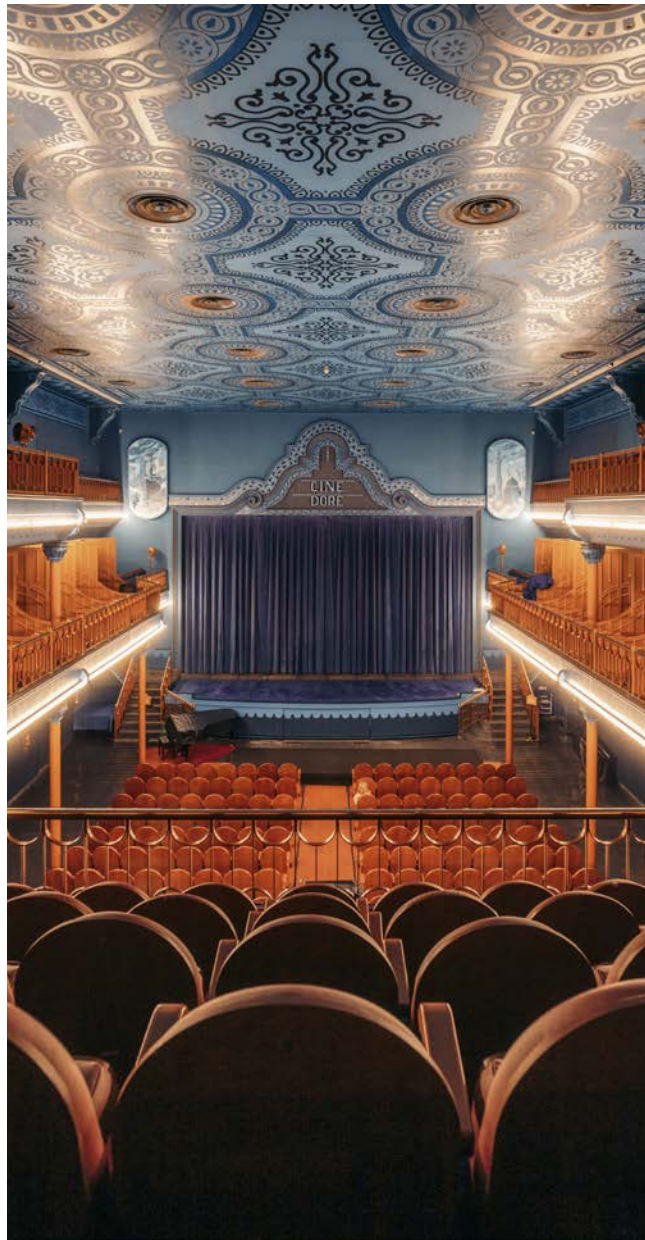
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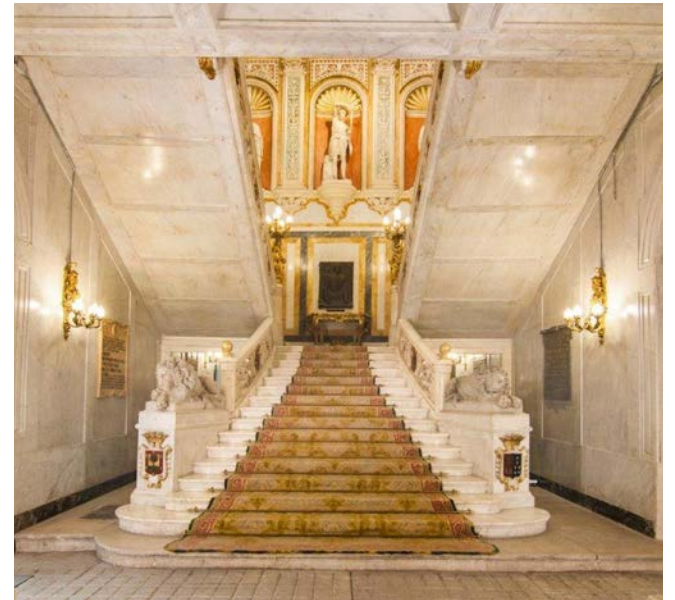
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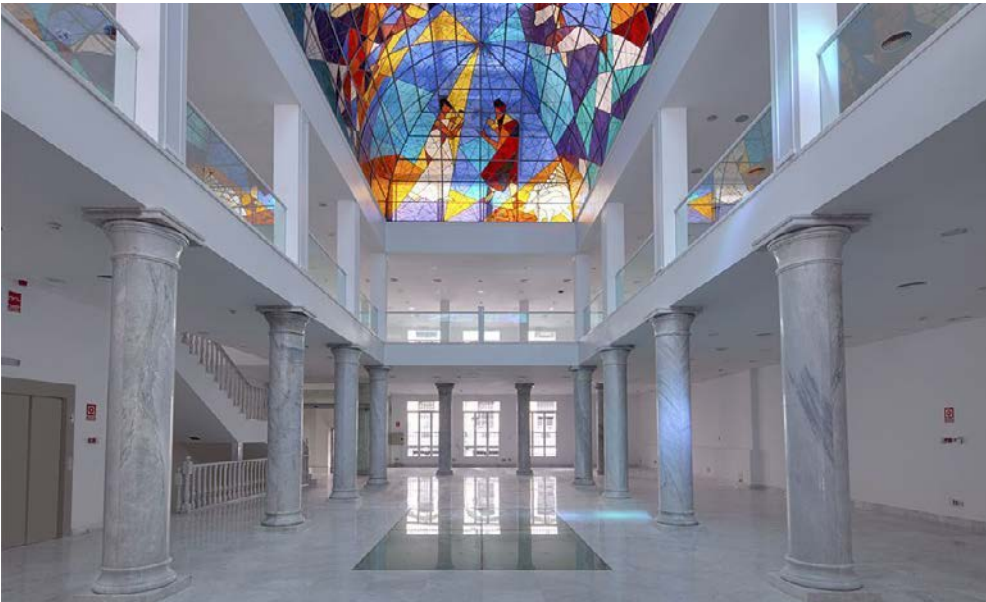
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Palaces

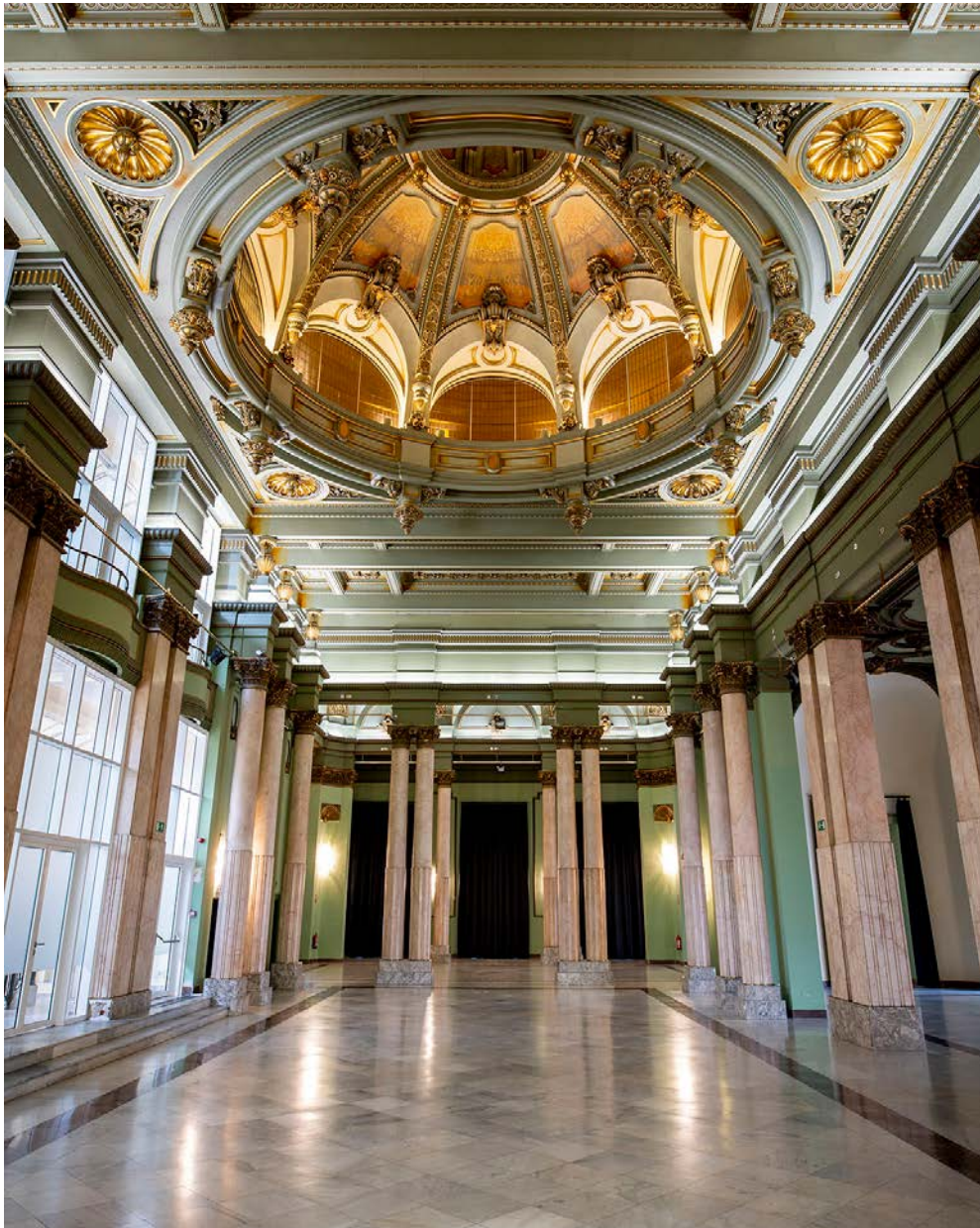


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Halls & Pavilions



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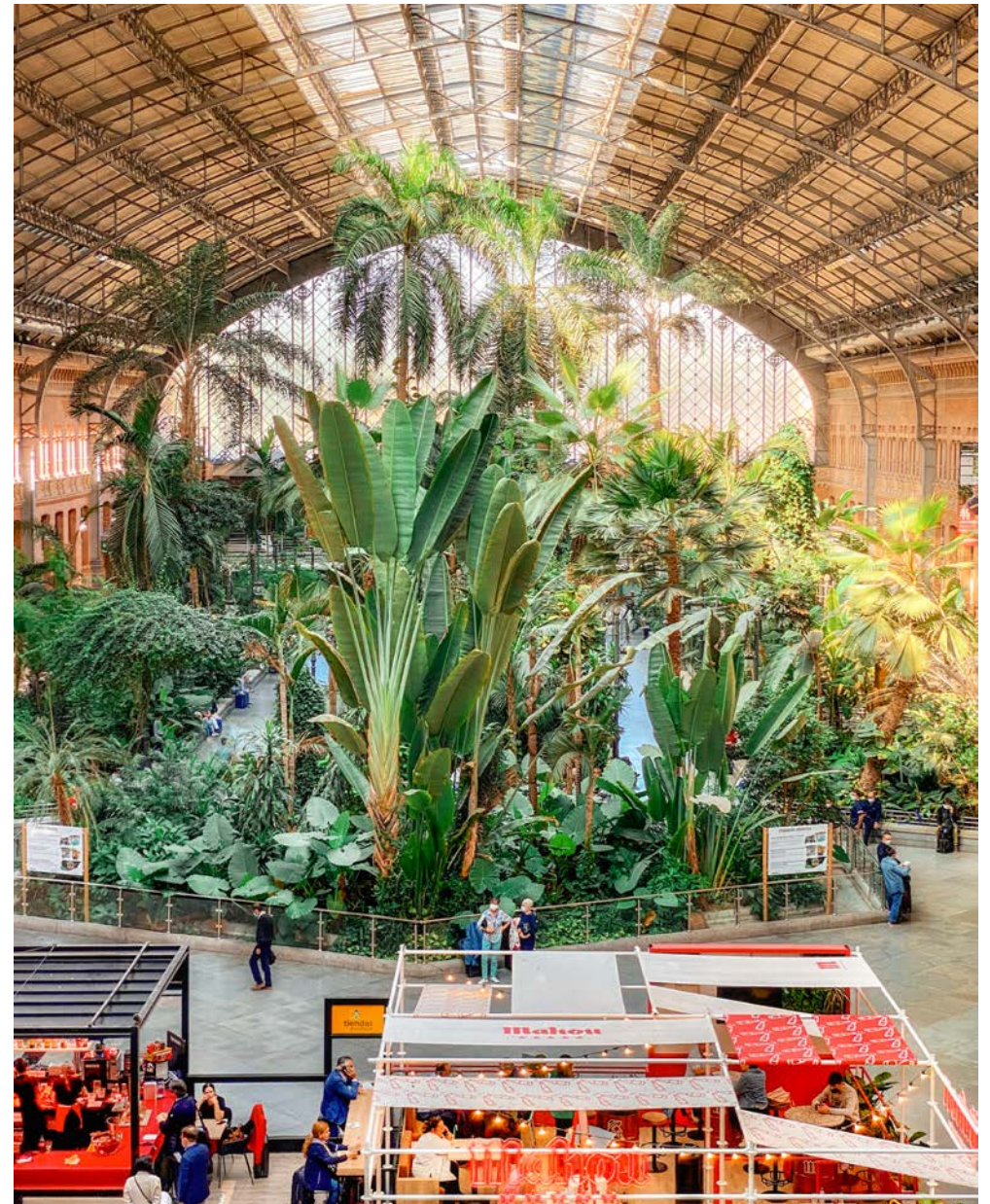
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Airports and train stations



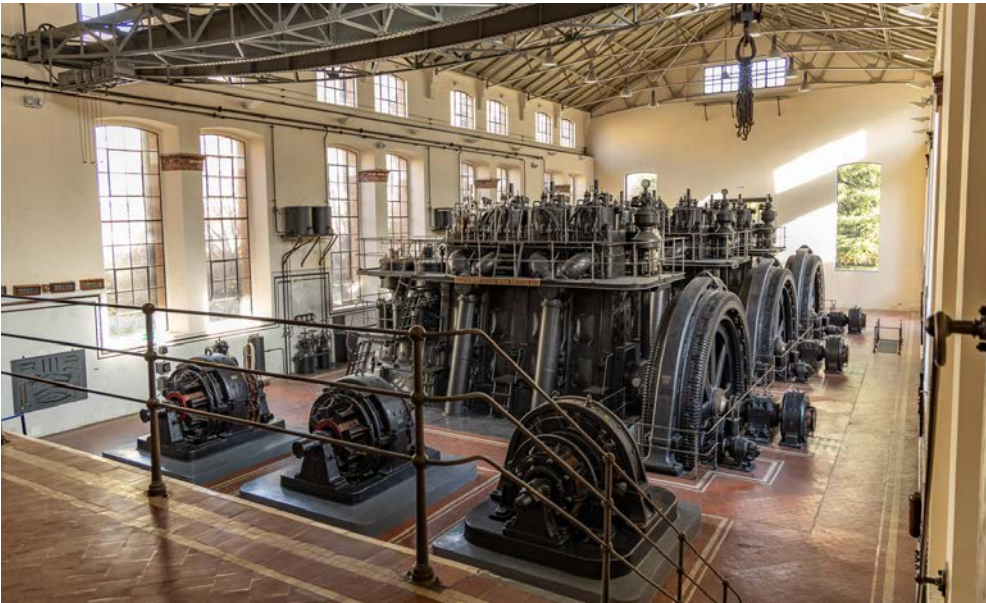
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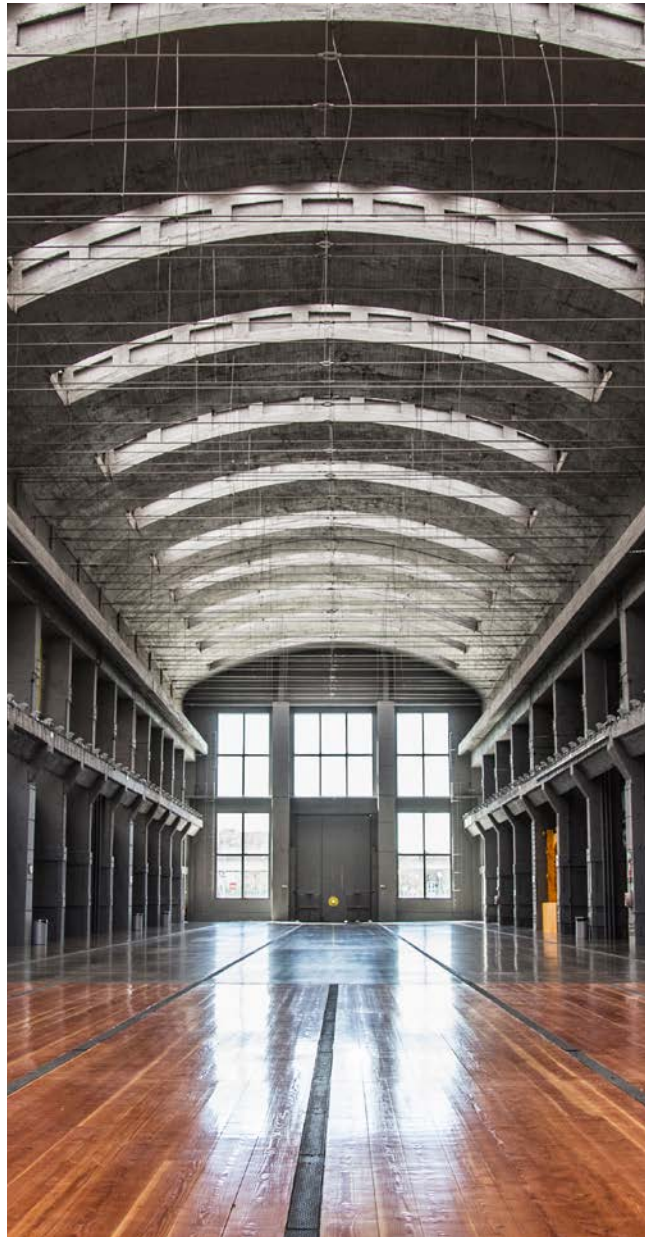


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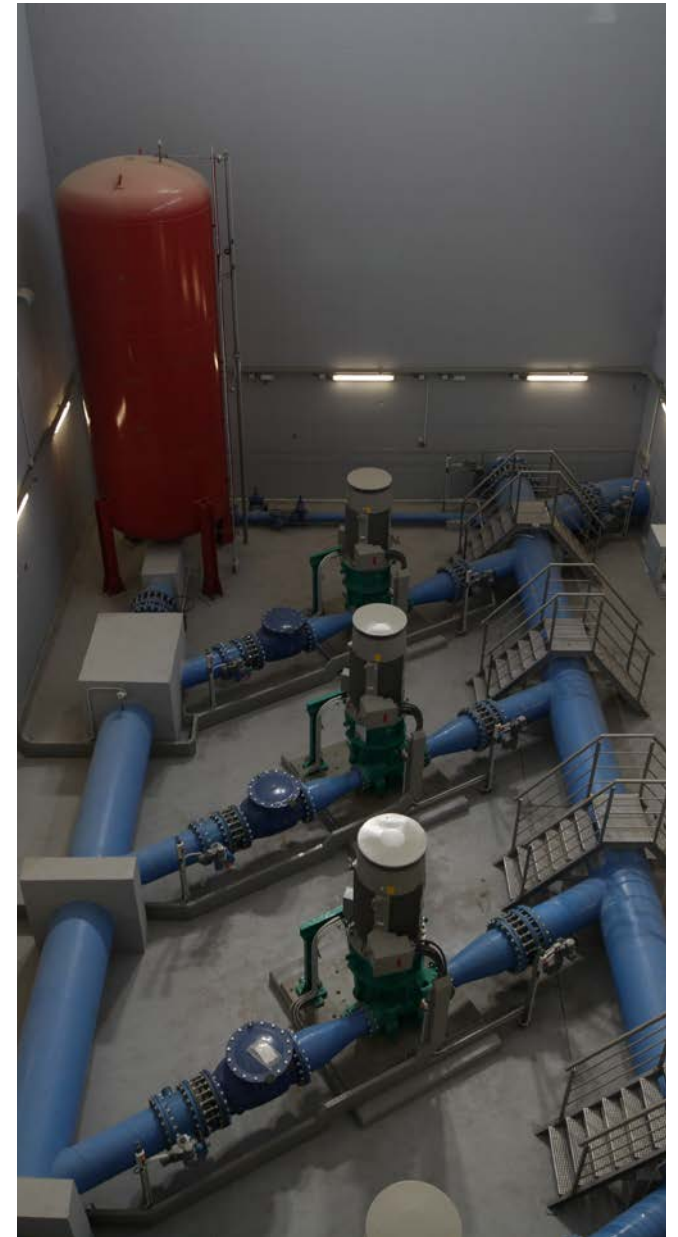
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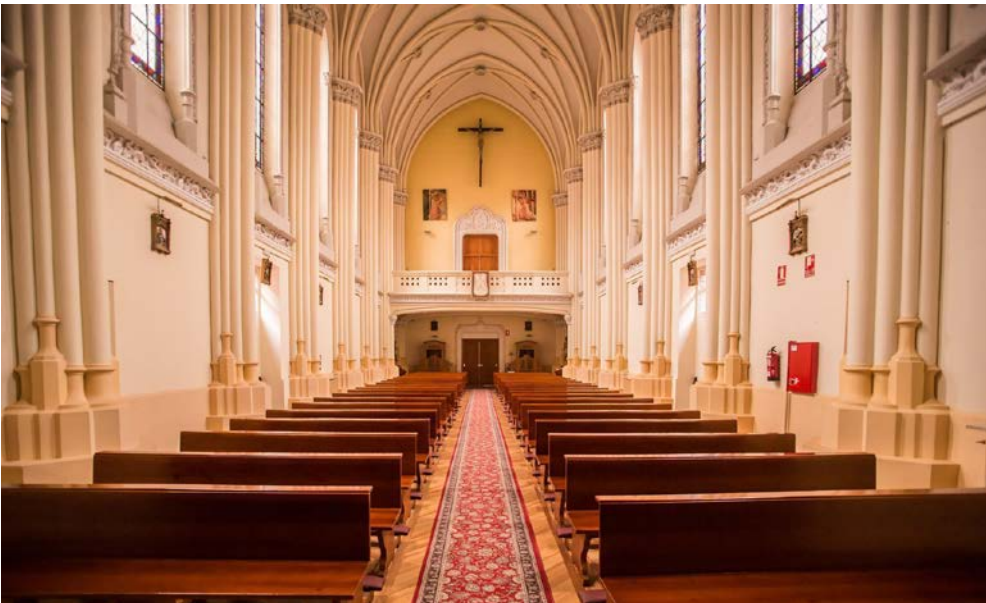
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Tunnels and Underground



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Cemeteries and churches



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Sports



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Bars and restaurants



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Nearby the city



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ASSOCIATIONS

CLUSTERS:

AUDIOVISUAL CLUSTER MADRID

Cluster of the Audiovisual Sector in Madrid
<https://clusteraudiovisualmadrid.es/>

PIXEL CLUSTER MADRID

Animation and Digital Creation Cluster of the Region of Madrid
<https://pixelcluster.es/>

PRODUCERS & CREATORS:

AMA

Madrid Audiovisual Association
<http://www.amaudiovisual.es/>

AECINE

State Film Association
<https://aecine.org/>

PATE

Associated Television Producers in Spain
<https://asociacionpate.com/>

PIAF

Federated Independent Audiovisual Production Companies
<https://www.piaf-federacion.com/>

PROFILM

Association of International Audiovisual Production Companies
<https://www.profilm.es/somos>

DOCMA

Documentary Film Association
<https://docma.es/>

UNION DE CINEASTAS

<https://www.uniondecineastas.es/>

PNR

New Filmmakers Platform
<http://www.plataformanuevosrealizadores.com/>

DISTRIBUTORS & EXHIBITORS:

ADICINE

Association of Independent Film Distributors
<https://www.adicine.es/>

FEDICINE

Federation of Film Distributors
<https://fedicine.com/>

FECE

Federation of Spanish Cinemas
<https://www.fece.com/>

NAECE

New Association of Spanish Film Exhibitors
<https://www.naece.es/>

SECIES

Society of Spanish Film Theatres

PROFESSIONALS AND PROVIDERS:

AAPEE

Association of Performing and Audiovisual Artists of Spain
<https://aapee.es/>

AEC

Spanish Association of Directors of Photography
<https://www.cineaec.com/>

ALÍA

Audiovisual Industry Alliance
<https://www.aliaaudiovisual.com/>

APPA

Association of Audiovisual Production Professionals
<http://www.asociacionappa.es/>

TACE

Spanish Audiovisual Film Technical Professionals
<https://tace.es/>

ANIMATION, VFX & VIDEOGAMES:

DIBOOS

Spanish Federation of Associations of Animation Producers
<https://diboos.com/>

MIA

Women and Animation
<https://animacionesmia.com/>

AEVI

Spanish Video Games Association
<http://www.aevi.org.es/>

DEV

Spanish Association of Video Game and Entertainment Software Producers and Developers
<https://www.dev.org.es/>

SHORT FILMS:

AIC

Short Film Industry Association
<https://www.aicortometraje.es/>

ECC

Spanish Short Film Coordinator
<http://coordinadoradelcorto.org/>

ADVERTISING:

APCP

Association of Spanish Advertising Producers
<https://apcp.es/>

OTHER INSTITUTIONS:

CREA SGR

<https://creasgr.com/>



MORE LOCATIONS & CONTACT

At Madrid Film Office we will be glad to help you plan the shooting or development of your audiovisual project in Madrid. Contact and let us know what you need to plan your filming in Madrid.

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