

BEESTON FILM FESTIVAL

2022 PROGRAMME



THE BIGGEST INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL IN THE MIDLANDS

Our Beeston Oscar, known as the B'Oscar, is designed by talented local artist, Bec Cass.

Welcome to this year's Beeston Film Festival. Amazingly and joyously we are coming out of the covid pandemic with the wonderful news that the 8th Beeston Film Festival is being hosted at Beeston's new fabulous Multiplex at the *Arc cinema*.

This is so exciting for the whole team! Our journey began at the charming The White Lion less than 200 yards away from the new cinema. We had 5 fabulous festivals there hosted by Sergio Rocha, then we were blighted by 2 years of pandemics and we were only available online. But now we are both going to be online and in-person for the first time ever, wonderful!

The Arc cinema has given us a tremendous amount of support already. We have held successful nights where we featured some of

the Best in Festival winners, a Comedy night, and of course the wonderful everyday Arias event. This partnership with the Arc cinema means we are able to present the stunning collection of films we have for you at cinema-quality, with an amazing sound system, and of course reclining seats! Moreover, having this venue in the very heart of Beeston, the latest component of Beeston's renaissance, provides the foundation for the future development of the festival itself.

We are already planning for our 10th year commencing in 2024, where we hope to extend to 2 weeks and will include for the First Time full-length feature films. Beeston has a reputation for treating filmmakers with respect, dignity, warmth, and we hope to give a warm welcome to high-quality international feature films. These plans are made more credible, realistic, achievable, because of having such a venue. The future

of cinema in Beeston shines brightly.

It is useful to remember film festivals focus on independent filmmakers. Films which people have probably spent all their time and effort on. The films in a film festival are shown not based on the money they will make. They don't need to meet box office standards. Film festivals focus on the art of film and bringing you something which is worth watching. Young aspirational filmmakers take risks and show off their talents.

This year's festival has seen exceptional selections from France, China, Spain, Ukraine, the United States and so many more. French cinema has produced many beautifully-crafted films for us, including *The Soloists*, *Cold Beds*, and *My Friend Who Shines in the Night*. This fantastic animation is a brilliantly heart-warming tale of a ghost's journey

to the afterlife, aided by their new friend Arthur. This fascinating project with direction led by Gregoire De Bernouis is further assisted by the wonderful voice acting of Edouard Michelon and Maiko Vuillod, along with alluring, original musical pieces by the incredible Arthur Dairaine Andrianaivo — an absolute must-watch.

Finally, can I say a big thank you to our Programming Team, Sponsors, Partners, the Arc Cinema, Jury and this year's interns from Nottingham Trent University, without your efforts this wonderful festival would not happen,

– John Currie,
Festival Director

FRIDAY 01ST / 20:00-21:30 / SCREEN 8

OPENING NIGHT

Opening night of the 8th Beeston Film Festival



WHEN SHE WAS GOOD

MARGARITA MILNE
UNITED KINGDOM

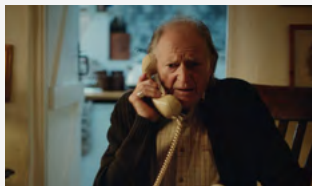
Upon the discovery Santa is not real, a young girl starts to question adult lies and other secrets she has been forced to keep.



TINNED PEARS

LIBBY BURKE WILDE
UNITED KINGDOM

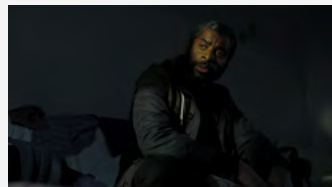
A short, powerful story of a young family living in food poverty.



ROY

ROSS WHITE
UNITED KINGDOM

A widower uses a phonebook of possibilities to fill his lonely life... But one phone call sparks an unusual friendship.



HOLLOW

PAUL HOLBROOK
UK

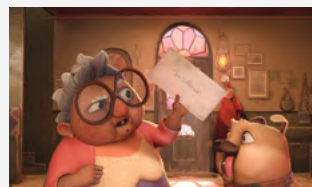
Dark, revenge thriller explores the moral and religious intricacies surrounding the concept of revenge and redemption.



BAINNE

JACK REYNOR
IRELAND

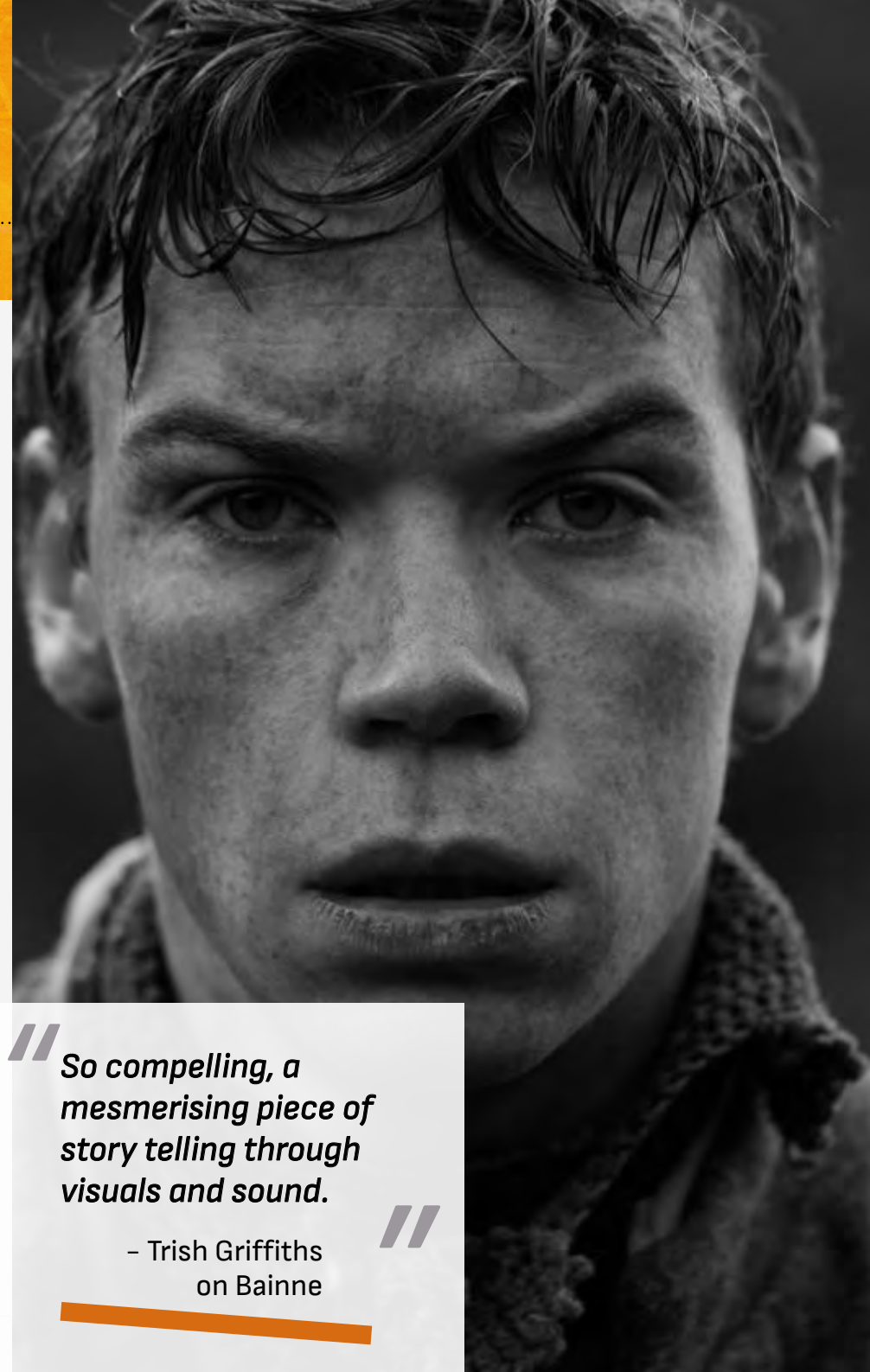
An Irish farmhand's morality is called into question after he sees a ghostly figure stealing milk during the Great Famine.



THE SOLOISTS

MEHRNAZ ABDOLLAHINIA,
FEBEN WOLDEHAWARIAT,
RAZAHK ISSAKA, CELESTE
JAMNECK, YI LIU
FRANCE

A village of ridiculous laws where three sisters and their dog have their rehearsals disrupted by an unexpected event.



// *So compelling, a mesmerising piece of story telling through visuals and sound.*

– Trish Griffiths
on Baine

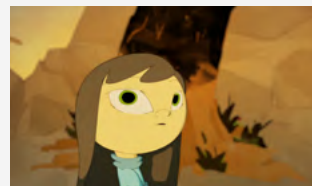
SATURDAY 02ND / 12:00-13:30 / SCREEN 7

NUTTY PACK (VP*)

There are times when you think the world is nutz!

// *Detailed, observant
filmmaking at its best.* //

– John Currie
on *Intact*



TELLA

ZACHARY CONLU
PHILIPPINES

.....
A lost girl meets a fallen star
that needs help getting back
to the night sky.



MURMUR OF ICEBERGS

SIO SAN UN
MACAO

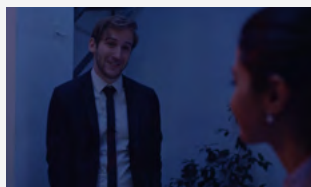
.....
Distances between the Arctic
Ocean and the Pearl River Delta
are changing. Is it real or a bad
dream?



DOWN

GUY HARVEY
UNITED KINGDOM

.....
A hole in London lures people
to jump inside, growing larger,
deeper and seemingly more
unstoppable with each victim.



INTACT

LORIS HANTZIS
FRANCE

.....
In a long spiritual journey,
Laura tries to heal the scars
left by sexual abuse.



THE WORLD'S GONE NUTZ

DANIEL ROBERT COHN
UNITED STATES

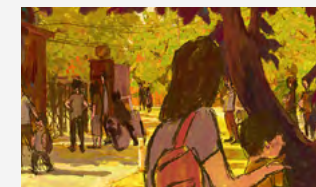
.....
Re-enactment by squirrels
to show the nuttiest year of
history, 2020.



LIVING ALL OF LIFE

MARLÉN RÍOS-FARJAT
MEXICO

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An unlikely friendship springs
when a husband leaves and
the help of a neighbour is
required.



TRACE OF A BUTTERFLY

XU RAN
CHINA

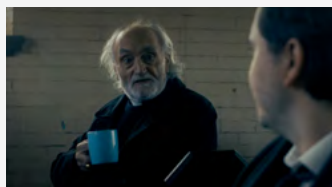
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Life is light like a butterfly, so is
it possible to leave any traces?

* Variety Pack.

SATURDAY 02ND / 14:00-15:30 / SCREEN 7

PUBLIC GAZE (DRAMA)

Sometimes what you see is not what it seems



CHAPEL OF REST

IAIN CASH
UK

.....
An out-of-town funeral held by Father Jones discusses who is in the coffin Neil from the funeral home.



ONE LIFE STAND

NATALIA ALEJARRA
UK

.....
A visual tour of the cliches of rom-coms but things are a bit different.



ALL THAT GLITTERS

DAN BRONZITE
UK

.....
After stealing a rich woman's handbag, a desperate teenager discovers there is more in common between them than he thought.



FEELING THROUGH

DOUG ROLAND
USA

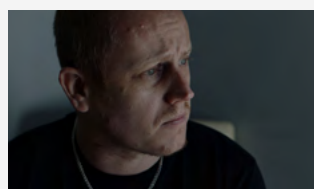
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Desperately needing somewhere to crash in New York, Tereek's life changes forever when he meets a man who needs help getting home.



THE SAVERINI WIDOW

LOÏC GAILLARD
FRANCE

.....
The story of an isolated widow whose world falls to pieces when her son is murdered.



INIQUITY

OLIVER GOODRUM
UK

.....
On the brink of fresh new life, Michael is reminded of and haunted by his past, determined to keep it hidden.



“ A deeply affecting film convincingly chronicling a transformative bond struck up late at night. ”

– Simon Leyden on
Feeling Through

SATURDAY 02ND / 14:00-17:30 / SCREEN 7

GAPS (VP)

The logic of life seems to include gaps



PARTY IN MY HEAD

ANDREY KEZYN
SWEDEN

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The video shows what's going on in person's head being locked up at his home for a year cause of Covid reality.



THE MAGENTALMAN AND THE GENTLEMINT

JAMES CRANG
UK

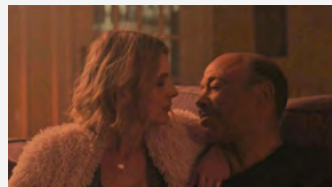
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A heartwarming love story of an empty life illuminated by the exhilarating discovery of one's true soulmate.



LATE

ALEXANDER MANSFIELD
MARTINEZ
UK

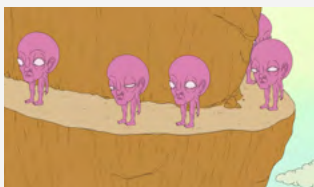
.....
Maya is caught in limbo as she navigates the world in possession of a secret only she knows.



THE CASE

PATRICK HOUSE
USA

.....
A retired special victims detective is pulled back into the world of sex trafficking on a case he thought was dead cold.



DISSOLUTION

DRIES BOGAERT
BELGIUM

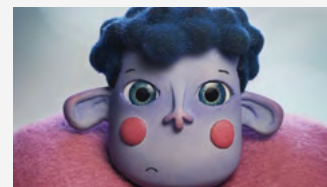
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One of the pink creatures living on top of a tower doesn't want to follow the crowd and wait his turn.



THE SECRET LIFE OF TOM LIGHTFOOT

RAY JACOBS
UK

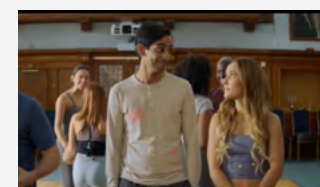
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Tom holds a secret which sets him on edge. A tale of magical realism and of healing and revealing.



BRUNCH

MARNIK LOYSEN
UK

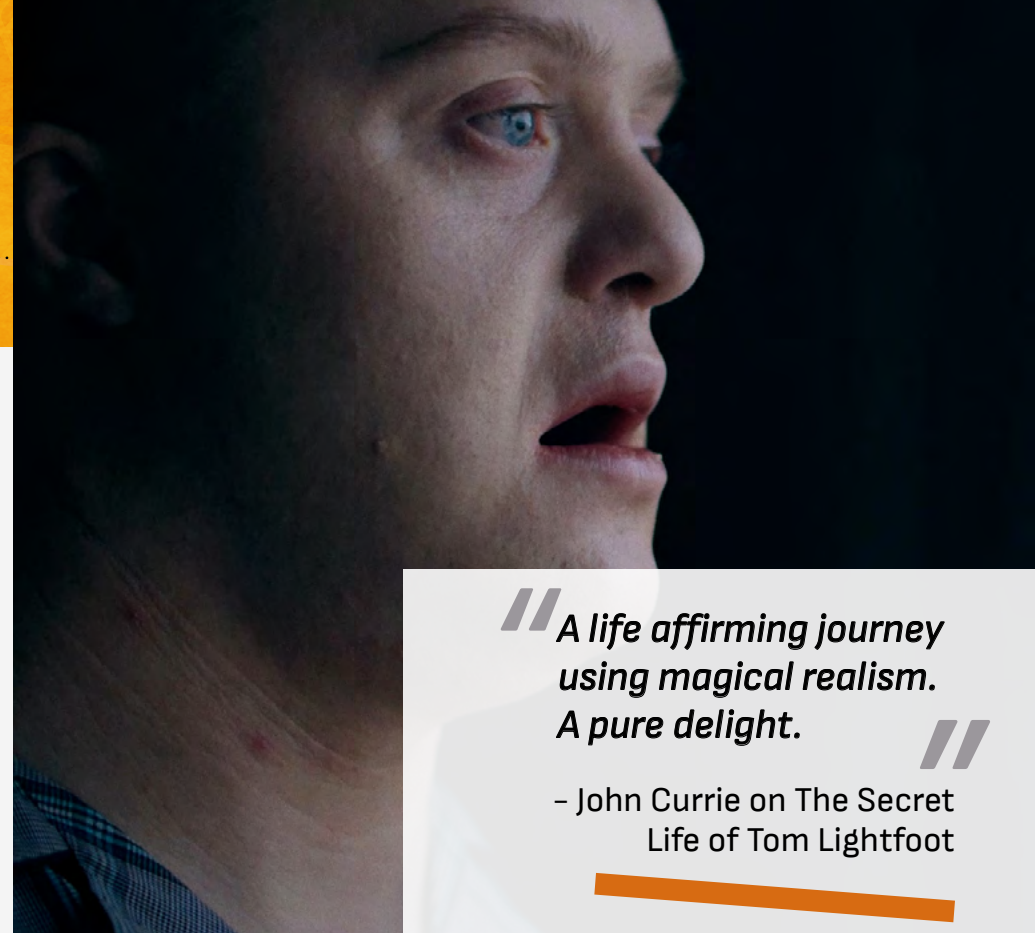
.....
2021 stop-motion animated comedy short film about the generational arguments of millennials and baby boomers.



PRAGMA

ELLIE HEYDON
UK

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In her hilarious search for love, Willow must ask herself: should you trust science or your heart?



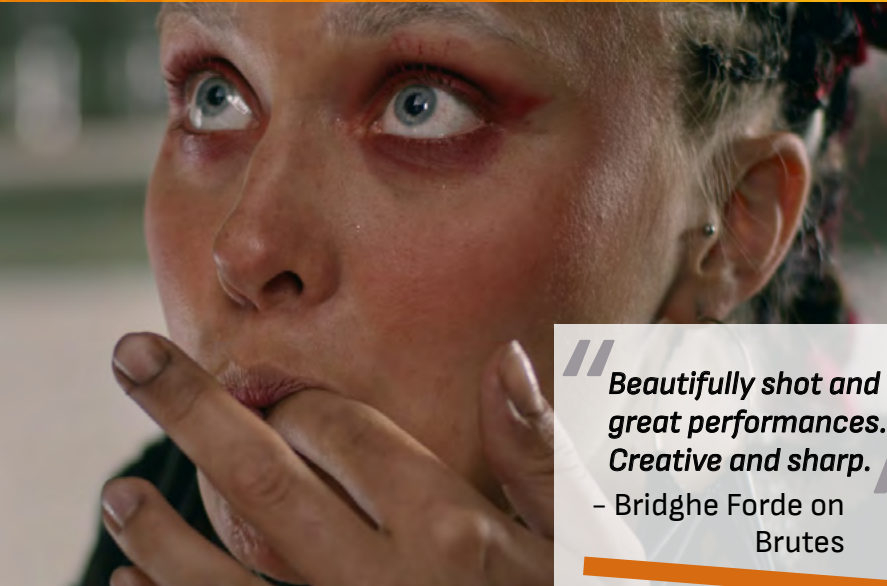
“A life affirming journey using magical realism. A pure delight.”

– John Currie on The Secret Life of Tom Lightfoot

SATURDAY 02ND / 18:00-19:30 / SCREEN 7

GRAD PACK (STUDENT)

This year's collection of films from talented students



“Beautifully shot and great performances. Creative and sharp.”
– Bridghe Forde on Brutes



AWAKENING

ADAM TULASSAY
UK

To overcome her intense fears, a young woman must not only face them, but come to terms with the past and her relationships.



GLORY

MATÍAS RODRÍGUEZ SFEIR
MEXICO

A photojournalist finds himself embroiled in an escalating argument about the ethics of disturbing images.



JACKRABBIT OR ADVENTURE

ALEXANDER & BLUE
STEPHENS
USA

A guy with a tux, cello, and then a mountain bike. A strange combination along a scenic route.



MORS DAG

JEANINE B. FROST
USA

After her adopted child's period begins, Ellen must tackle her own damaged past to support those she loves.



KINTSUGI

JUSTINE KANEDA
USA

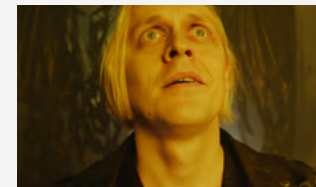
Kintsugi is the Japanese art of mending broken pottery. An art to build on which is learnt through experience and resilience.



MAEVE IN THE DARK

KASIA KACZMAREK
UK

Sexuality and gender norms are explored when a chronically ill teen meets her new A.I. nurse, LEM.



BRUTES

RAOUL KIRSIMA
ESTONIA

Uku's passions are travel, food and sex. His last day starts out with all 3 in mind – and then he meets like-minded Briis.



THEREMOVAL

LEONARDO D'ANDREA
UK

The memories of a painful life lead Victor to have surgery to rid himself of his burdening past.

SATURDAY 02ND / 20:00-21:30 / SCREEN 7

MEMORIES (DRAMA)

The things that should never be forgotten

“It’s brilliantly directed and filmed and the acting of Christina Hans as the child is astonishingly good.”

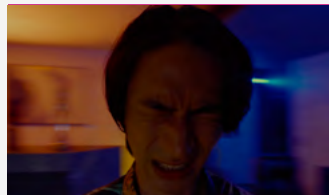
– Simon Leyden
on Nimmerland



NIMMERLAND

CONSTANTIN G.M. WEBER
GERMANY

Seeing her sister forced into sex work, a young girl protects herself by escaping into a fairy tale land.



MONTAGELIFE

HSIEH I SHAN
TAIWAN

An award-winning editor and his assistant call into question what work they are doing and live the reality of hallucinations.



INHERITANCE

YANA RIAHI
ISRAEL

A multi-layered and intelligent portrayal of a family’s grief.



APPA APPA APPA

ANNA SANG PARK
USA

Struggling to raise his children, Mr. Cho’s problems deepen when his wife’s gambling debt returns to haunt him.



EMBERS

TOM GANLEY
UK

Alice sits alone at a restaurant, waiting for her date to arrive...

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ANIMATED LIFE (VP)

Life has its strings pulled in many directions



PAPER STRAWS

LAURIE WAPLINGTON
UK

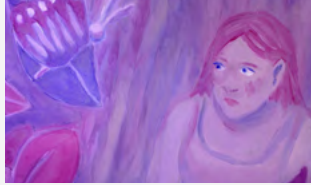
Acacia pitches sustainable products to a fashion mogul, but they only care about money. Will she sell out or stick to her morals?



BLOODSWIM

JUNJIE ZHANG
HONG KONG

Amy is led away from her perfect life when a mysterious figure tells her of her newly-found soul mate's disturbing secret.



WINGS FOR BUTTERFLIES

TILLY WALLACE
UK

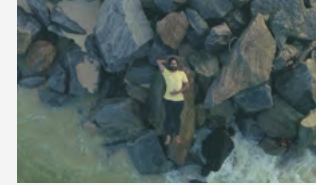
Man-made destruction disturbs the redwood forests of California and small winged friends need to restore peace.



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TILL KLEINAU
GERMANY

A professional drummer reconstructs Harry Partch's famous instruments, in preparation for a grand event.



PRAYER

LUKE SYDNEY
INDIA

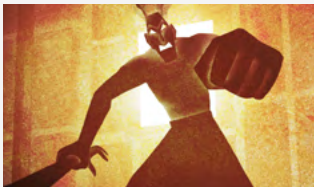
A music video showcasing God's perspective as humanity calls out for salvation following a rapidly deteriorating earth.



PILE

TOBY AUBERG
UK

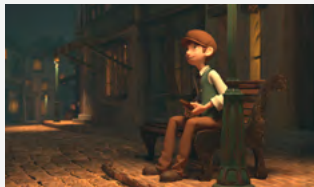
Water then food. Agriculture then industry. Old then new. Critical then extra. Simple to complex. Concrete to abstract. Dirt to clouds. Real to unreal.



THE DALANG'S TALE

IRWAN JUNAIDY, MAIZURA ABAS & 'ATIQA MOHD ABU BAKAR, MALAYSIA

Two fathers with different views on their sons. One positive one is more negative. And yet one abuses their wife.



LAMPPOST

CHINH MAI
USA

A hardworking lamplighter dad wants his son to have a better life through education.



MR WONG'S LULLABY

CLARE LANGFORD
UK

Social Worker Norah struggles to deal with her father's PTSD as the horrors he has faced resurface to haunt his present.



GOODBYE HOME

JONATHAN CHONG
AUSTRALIA

An emotional telling of an Australian bushfire and a young boy's evacuation from his beloved home.



DAVEY'S LULLABY

ADAM DOUGLAS DEYOE
USA

The death of his mother leads to a man with Down Syndrome facing an uncertain future.

SATURDAY 02ND / 14:00-15:30 / SCREEN 8

SEQUENCES (SCIFI)

The consequences of abandoning order



THE NAME OF THE PRIME MINISTER

BIZZY THOMPSON, UK

A gripping thriller, set in a secret government facility, following a psychiatrist and their interviews.



PRELUDE & FUGUE IN DM

BRUNO TANIGUCHI
USA

A story about dreaming, changing, evolving, facing (or not) difficulties, and finally accepting.



THE FORGETTING DEVICE

CHRIS REMEROWSKI
CANADA

A man begins to suspect that something strange and sinister is responsible for his recent memory loss.



CINGULATE

AARON WILLIAMS
USA

A criminal psychologist hopes to determine culpability in "criminally insane" patients, through living their memories in a device.



BLANK SHORES

ALEX KYROU
UK

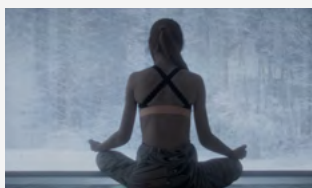
A woman's journey to investigate the mysterious disappearance of her partner takes her to a world far removed from her own.



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CHIN HSIANG CHANG
UK

Futuristic story of memory loss in a cabin with two androids.



BUT HAPPY

ANATOLII UMANETS
UKRAINE

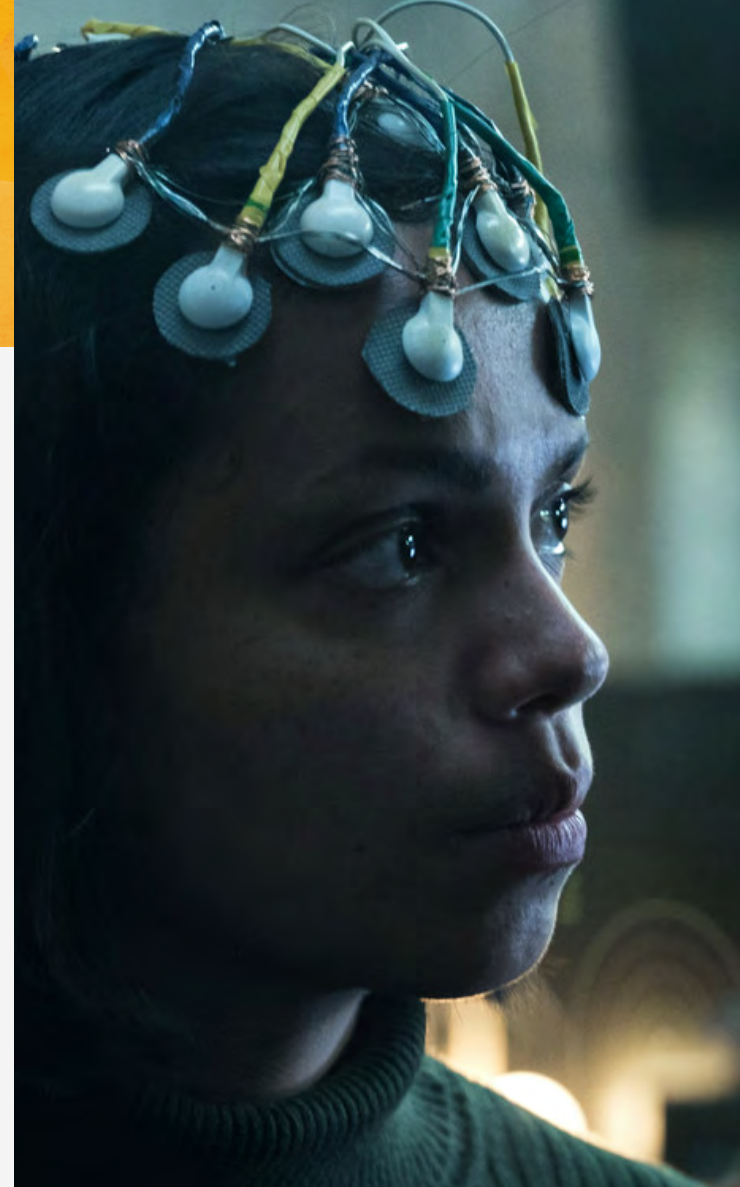
A young apartment designer and a gloomy pizza deliverer. What do they have in common?



HUMAN TRASH

AITOR ALMUEDO ESTEBAN
SPAIN

Thrown into a trash container from the future, a boy comes into contact with a strange man in his frantic search for escape.



As tender and fragile as Arrival, emotionally captivating and beautifully shot and performed.

– John Currie on
Blank Shores

SATURDAY 02ND / 16:00-17:30 / SCREEN 8

FOCUS ON IRAN (DRAMA)

A collection of stunning films from Iran

"This is gorgeous. Well shot, sensitively done and well acted. Such a powerful film, it is incredibly heartbreaking. It a critical life moment she looked for her mum."

– Yasmin Ziba
on The Wound



LOVE CAN'T BE QUARANTINED
ZHINOUS PEDRAM
IRAN

COVID-19 makes people take extreme methods to protect their loved ones.



EMERGENCY
MARYAM ESMIKHANI
IRAN

A young girl tries to reveal a secret by getting close to an emergency agent who has come to check on her mother.



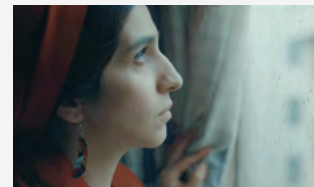
MANDATORY
JAVAD KHORSHA
IRAN

In a dilemma of ethics and duty, a firing squad soldier must make a difficult choice.



TODAY IS FRIDAY
MOHAMMAD AHANGAR
IRAN

After an unpleasant argument, Nader and Saed's destinies are altered following a sudden and unexpected change.



CEREMONY
NEDA MARYAM KHANIFAR
IRAN

There are two important ceremonies ahead and the woman must choose between going and staying.



BIRTHDAY
MOHAMMAD HOSSEIN
ZIKSARI, IRAN

A disturbing tale of a mother's haunting desire to not let go of her daughter and an ex-boyfriend's distress over her whereabouts.



THE WOUND
SAHAR NOURMONAVAR
IRAN

A girl thinks she is wounded after an earthquake and yet it is just a sign of her development, now without her parents.

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JOURNEYS (WOMEN'S VOICES)

How did we manage to get here?



8TEEN

SHAO LIN
USA

.....
An "end of summer" journey dashed by a drunken grandfather, Jay is uncertain where his future will be.



EYELASHES OF THE EXODUS

ZOÉ SIMPSON & VICTOR
PICARD, FRANCE

.....
A winter in Briançon leads to a decision to be made by a married couple but they can't seem to agree.



THE HOLLOWS OF THE MOON

PAULA D'ANGELO SCHMID
PERU

.....
A cab driver witnesses an attempted femicide but is too scared to help. She lies about the encounter, and faces the consequences.



ELLE

NICOLE VANDEN BROECK
USA

.....
16-year-old Elle struggles to find a way to express her feelings to her best friend, on the brink of moving away.



GRATITUDE JOURNAL

TEREZA DUŠKOVÁ
CZECH REPUBLIC

.....
A young single mother searches for the childlike wonder she once knew.

// *It is directed with such confidence and an appreciation of how cinema can elevate the everyday into pure visual poetry. Outstanding.*

- Simon Leyden
on 8Teen



SATURDAY 02ND / 20:00-21:30 / SCREEN 8

KEEP SMILING (HORROR)

The 2022 horror collection



HUNTER'S CABIN

N'CEE VAN HEERDEN
CANADA

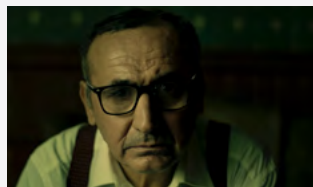
A young father retreats to a remote cabin to face a curse alone, but he is not alone.



CONDITIONING

PHILIP PUGH
UK

A gory horror film that's more than meets the eye! Going beyond the gore and exploring deep-rooted prejudice and its influences.



ROOM 217

SRWSHT ABARASH
IRAQ

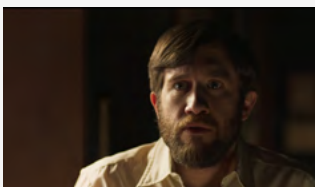
Trapped in an old hotel, a young man must ask the help of the hotel manager to escape his ever-looping nightmare.



MEAT MARKET

WILL KENNING
UK

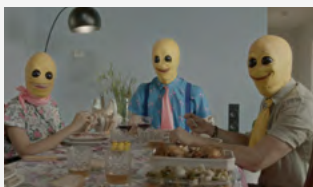
A mysterious burger bar attracts men with an insatiable hunger for women.



THE OTHER ONE

LUKAS BAIER
GERMANY

In his new apartment, Walter is eerily haunted by the disturbing presence of the apartment's previous tenant.



SMILES

JAVIER CHAVANEL
SPAIN

Borja meets his girlfriend's parents, only to find them even more bizarre than he expected.



AQUAMARINE

JACK DENTINGER
USA

A gender-bending comedy about loud birds, romantic suitors, and a Victorian-era female serial killer.

// *Deliciously silly!* //

– Sam Kurd on
Aquamarine



SUNDAY 03RD / 12:00-13:30 / SCREEN 7

BLURRED LIGHT (VP)

At times it difficult to find focus



THE GATE

KINO JIN
USA

With their emotions and memories wiped at the dawn of adulthood, two young friends discover a secret that allows them to escape.



NORMA

STEVE SALE
UK

Haunted by her husband's death, Norma wishes to be left alone but the weird happenings in her house won't give her peace.



SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE TELL THEIR STORIES

WORLD HEALTH
ORGANIZATION, SWITZERLAND

Six men and women from around the world tell their stories of violence in childhood.



ON / OFF

NICOLAS P. VILLARREAL
ARGENTINA

Endless distractions threaten to destroy creativity.



COME CLOSE TO ME

PABLO FIDANZA
ARGENTINA

Dancers and singers combine in one house to create the ultimate narration through music and dance with a bit of romance.



LATE FEES

DUSTIN PAUL ROBICHAUX
USA

A music video about a girl in debt and having to break this news to her puppets and destroy their dreams of a magical puppet show.



CHINESE FUSION

SIYU YAN
CHINA

A teenager trying to stick to tradition with a twist faces things beyond her expectations when in a new world.



MY FRIEND WHO SHINES IN THE NIGHT

GRÉGOIRE DE BERNOUIS,
JAWED BOUDAUD, SIMON
CADILHAC, HÉLÈNE LEDEVIN
FRANCE

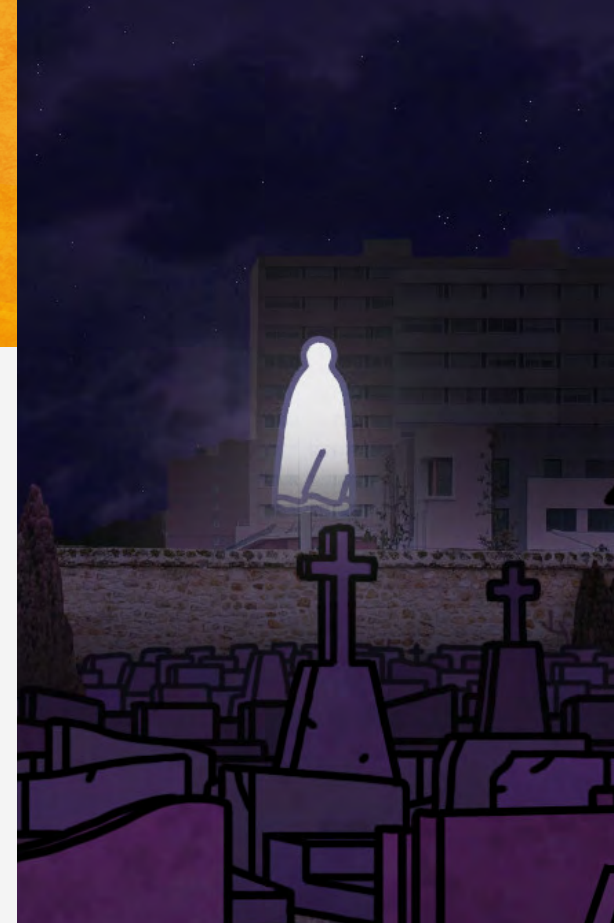
A story of how a ghost lost its memory and how only Arthur can help them.



DEAN QUARRY / WITH EYES THAT ARE NOT SEEN ARE QUICKLY FORGOTTEN

RACHEL JONES, UK

An insightful experience engaging with the materiality of filmmaking, focused on an abandoned industrial site in Cornwall, UK.



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PAYBACK (CRIME)

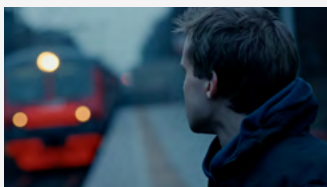
Actions have consequences, bills have to be paid



HIGHLY COMPETENT KILLERS

MATTHEW & RACHEL
THOMSON, UK

A criminal can't kill and yet he is the one in charge. He'll need help – and yet only one actor features in this piece.



POPS

MAKSIM LAVROV
RUSSIA

After a depot worker's son is brutally murdered on a suburban train, he is met with an unexpected opportunity for revenge.



ALL BECAUSE OF THE DAMNED BLONDE'S SON

DANILO VARGAS MARTINEZ
& CRISTIAN ROBERTO
HERNÁNDEZ FIGUEROA,
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

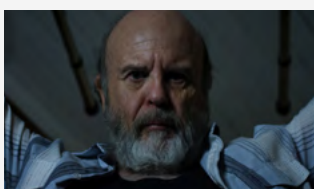
Jairo had his romantic afternoon well planned until the Damned Blonde's Son appeared in the neighborhood.



BAPTISM

YU ZHANG
CHINA

An isolated island brings a retired policeman to the murderer of his daughter and yet the guy is not what he expected.



EARL'S TOWN

MATT CERWEN
AUSTRALIA

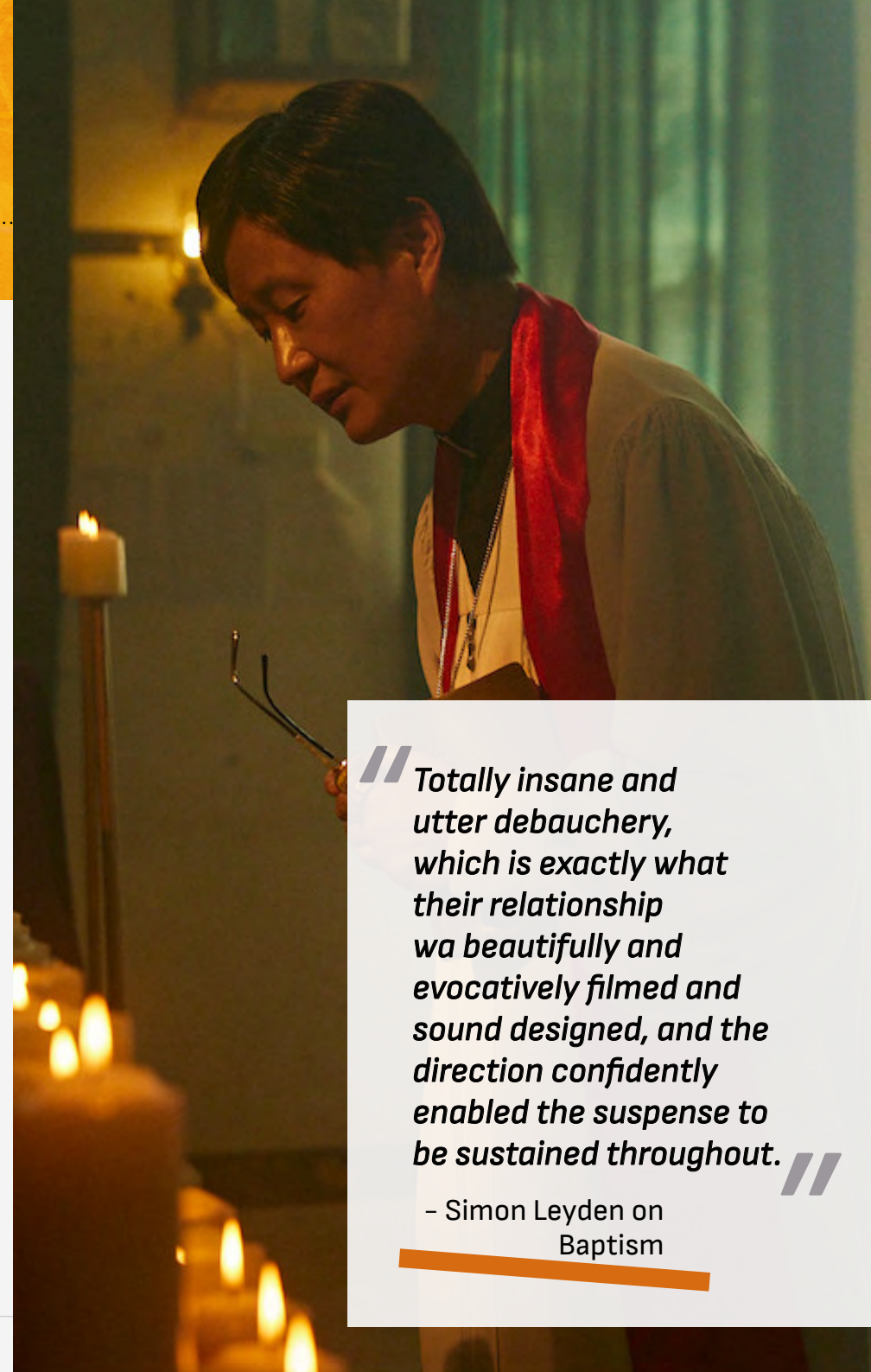
Earl Thompson forgets things, even his own son. But he can still raise hell.



A ROLL IN THE HAY

GEOFFREY FIGHIERA
FRANCE

Laurent gets a surprise from his bedridden wife at his mistress's vacation home and is heavily armed with her form of justice.



“Totally insane and utter debauchery, which is exactly what their relationship was beautifully and evocatively filmed and sound designed, and the direction confidently enabled the suspense to be sustained throughout.”

– Simon Leyden on
Baptism

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LOVE AND (PRIDE)

Love in the shadows and in the light



THE O SHOW

SHARAD KHARE
CANADA

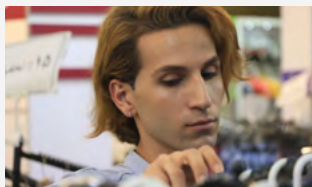
A look into the life of an Afro-Indigenous, two-spirit leader and DJ and following her activism and work.



SANDLAND

IVEN TU
CANADA

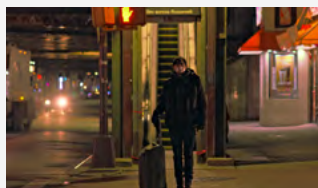
A middle aged man trying to get over the loss of his love when one morning he follows in her footsteps and almost drowns.



THE AQUARIUM

FATEMEH ASKARPOUR &
ELYAS ASKARPOUR, IRAN

Hidden romance in the workplace for two trans workers.



XMASEVEEVE

DAZHI HUANG
USA

December 23, 2020. While attempting to move out of New York City, DENNIS's ex-lover TOM attempts to convince him to stay.



BRACHA

MICKEY TRIEST & AARON
GEVA, ISRAEL

A mother and daughter struggle to live together under lockdown as anxiety and rising tension set them at odds.



AQUAMARINE

JACK DENTINGER
USA

A gender-bending comedy about loud birds, romantic suitors, and a Victorian-era female serial killer.

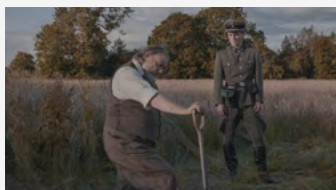
// Poignant tale of rueful love reborn – woozy, distant cinematography wonderfully captured the alienating facets of big city life.

//
– Simon Leyden on
Xmas eve eve

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GHOSTS (DRAMA)

Just when I think I'm winning ...



IN MEMORIAM DR. H.G.K.

ED HUGHES
UK

Based on a famous story by István Örkény this story shows a powerful moment between a Nazi soldier & his captive.



SHOT

HABIBE
IRAN

A cryptic rumination on time, memory, aging, photography, and the 'selfie generation'.



C-SECTION

MEHRSHAD KHERADMANDI
IRAN

A crane driver rents his property to a prison to cover his wife's C-section but due to an issue, he becomes an executioner.



PIGLET PIGLET

LIN TSUNG-YEN
TAIWAN

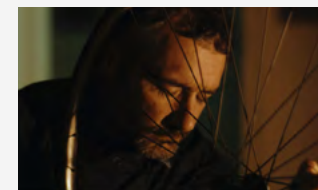
The idea of new life is dashed from a couple and they struggle with the idea of the future after this.



THE HEART ASUNDER

JAY MANSELL
UK

A young single mother searches for the childlike wonder she once knew.



GUIDE ME HOME

STEFAN GEORGIU
UK

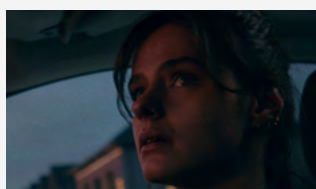
With dreams of success and recognition, David starts to slip between the cracks of his beloved London town.



A DEAD SEA

NAHD BASHIR
ISRAEL

Travelling to help his sister leads to some issues but problems with communicating with locals take it from bad to a tragedy.



HEY, MA

LAURIE BARRACLOUGH
UK

After losing her mother, Katrina pursues a woman through the night with the hope it may really be her.



GHOST GIRL

PAAVO HANNINEN
USA

Actor Ashley has the chance to realize her dream & star in a high-budget production, but is her best friend holding her back?



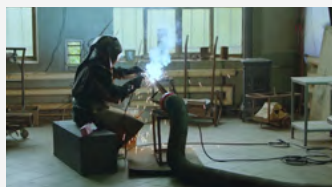
// *Short, brutal...and brilliantly done.* //

- Simon Leyden on In Memoriam Dr H.G.K.

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QUIET SHELTER (WOMEN'S VOICES)

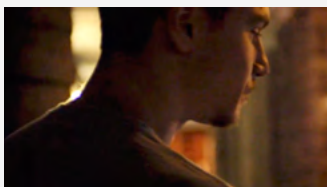
When so little is said very loudly



RUST

RAFAL MALECKI
POLAND

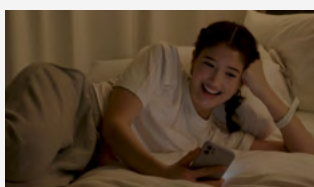
.....
A passionate scrap metal artist and her family must evacuate the overly-polluted city, in search of safety in botanical solitude.



SILENCE

DELFINA DE OLIVEIRA CÉZAR
FRANCE

.....
Worlds away from home, a young woman's life opens up following the end of her relationship.



INVITED IN

YUYU KITAMURA
HONG KONG

.....
An anxious girl, living a lonely life in the pandemic, finds happiness through a bright and genuine internet influencer.



SILENCE UNDONE

KRISTJAN KNIGGE
NETHERLANDS

.....
Sophie is isolated but needs to delve into her fears and memories and put the past behind her and embrace love.



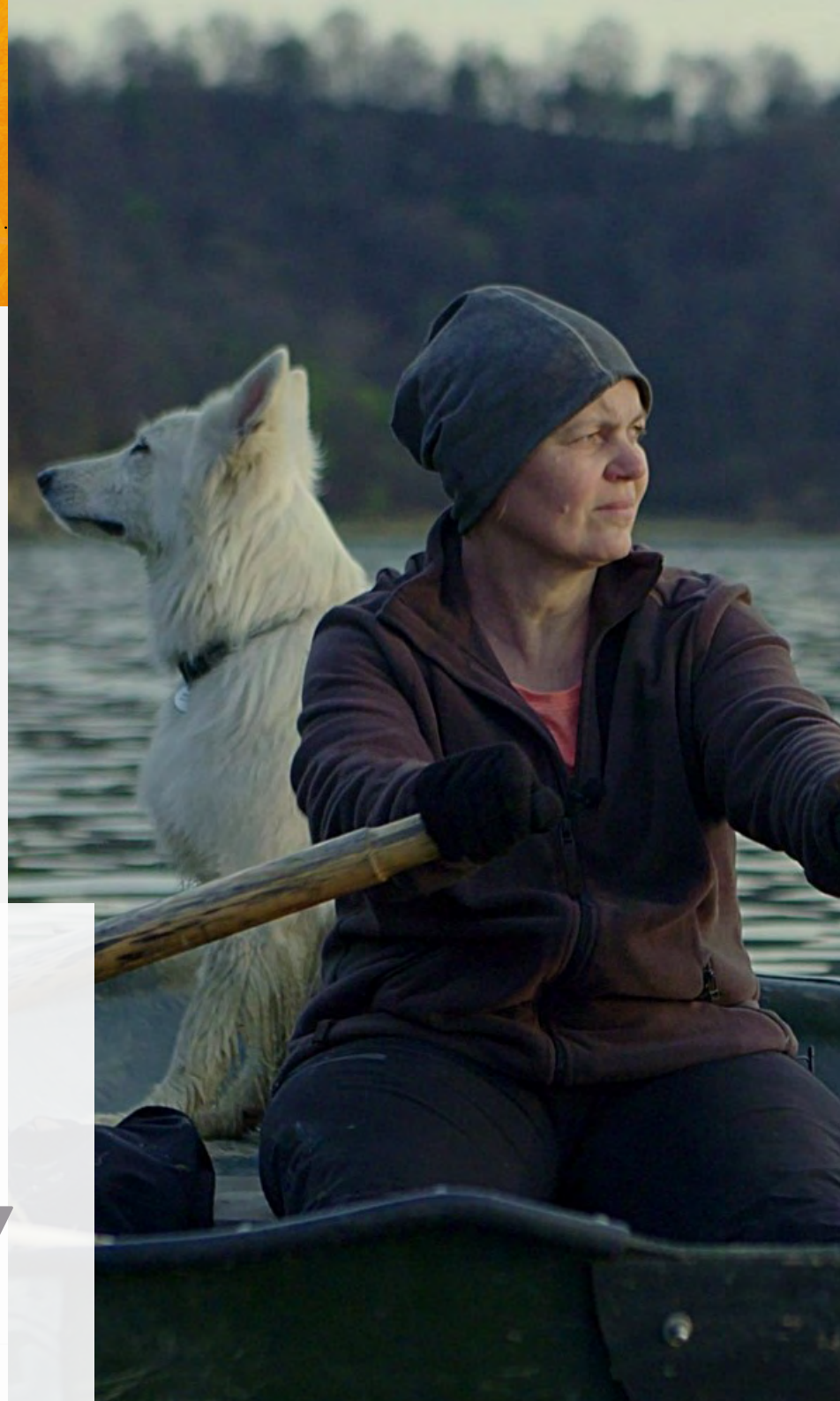
COLDBEDS

LAËTITIA MARTINUCCI
FRANCE

.....
Locked out of a ski resort in the Alps, Mona must fight the cold and look for shelter, whilst an unknown presence looms closer.

// *Really very good. A fascinating insight on an accomplished artist, but the underlying message. The cinematography is breathtaking.* //

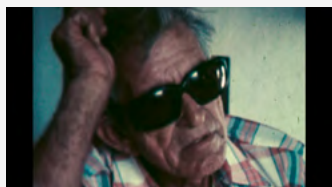
- Simon Pryce
on RUST



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WILDERNESS (NON-FICTION)

This years incredibly diverse collection of Non-Fiction films



IT WAS A TIME OF POETRY

PETRUS CARIRY
BRAZIL

.....
A look into poet Patativa do Assare's life and work, with a personal touch from the poet himself via unpublished content.



CONVICTION

JIA WERTZ
USA

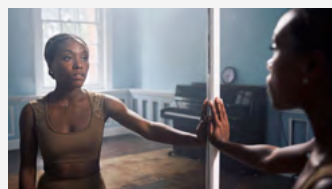
.....
An insight into the fight for freedom of a wrongfully convicted murderer and rapist.



LA MUJER SALVAJE

SARA G. CORTIJO
SPAIN

.....
A dive into the five stories of perseverance by five women.



POINTEBLACK

REBECCA MURRAY
UK

.....
A powerful account of Marie-Astrid Mence's life as a ballerina & her struggles in an industry that won't see past her skin colour.



DAJLA: CINEMA AND OBLIVION

ARTURO DUEÑAS HERRERO
SPAIN

.....
A hidden refugee camp breaks the monotony of life in Dakhla.



PALISIAN

SHENG HUNG HSIEH
TAIWAN

.....
Two people brought up on the same land look into their differences and similarities in a traditional atmosphere.



// *A power and elegant film demonstrating that "everyone, no matter your skin colour or sexuality, should stand an equal chance" within ballet.* //

- John Currie on
Pointe Black

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CHANGE NOW (A BETTER PLACE)

Nothing ever stays the same



IMMIGRANT VOICES OF AMERICA: CRISTEL MARTINEZ

MIGUEL ANGEL DURAN
USA

Reminiscing on her own youth, Cristel seeks a new purpose to represent unaccompanied minors in immigration court.



THE RACE AGAINST RACE

NATTALYEE RANDALL &
JESSICA CORNELIO
USA

A passion project takes a turn and has become much more: a social justice movement in NYC to protest against police brutality.



FREE FALL

EMMANUEL TENENBAUM
FRANCE

Tom, a trader in London whose job is on the line but when the first plane hits on 11/11 he has the biggest trade of his life.



"PERSPECTIVE SHIFT" - EPISODE #2 - PRUE STEVENSON

JOSH SEARLE
AUSTRALIA

The Australian Art industry from a unique perspective. Dive into an individual's story of how they experience and deal with art.



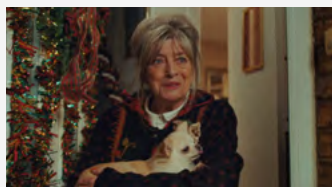
// Beautiful educational character piece. //

- Abigail Rowse on
"Perspective Shift"
- Episode #2 - Prue
Stevenson

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TRUTH (COMEDY)

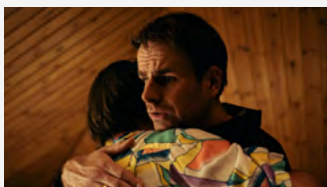
The truth can hurt and also make you laugh



FINDING DAD

ALANA HUTTON-SHAW
UK

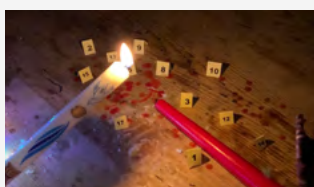
.....
Anita's alcoholic mother dies and leaves a wanted gift; the name of her real father and she sets out to find him with her BFF.



SNORRIE (MUSTACHIO)

VICTORIA WARMERDAM
NETHERLANDS

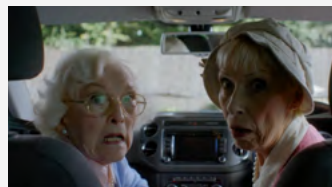
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Freek reunites with his imagined friend of the past and looks for closure.



CANDLE COPS

TONY COLLINGWOOD
UK

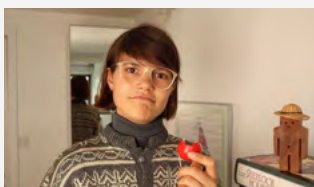
.....
Detective Joe arrives on the scene to solve the mystery of the snuffed-out candle. Starring an all-candle cast!



NUMB

NATASHA JATANIA
UK

.....
A grieving father's feeling of missed opportunity sparks adventure as he & his son bond over an attempt to get hold of some drugs.



BOBO - THE INTERMISSION CLOWN

MARTHA OLUFSEN
DENMARK

.....
Bobo takes a different approach to being a clown to change society and performing arts and make time stop.



SWIPE

ANTHONY SNEED
USA

.....
A delinquent teenage boy learns a valuable lesson about growing up.

// *Great dark comedy about a relationship between father and son, beautiful cinematography and funny script.* //

– Emily Manley on Numb

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AWARDS SESSION

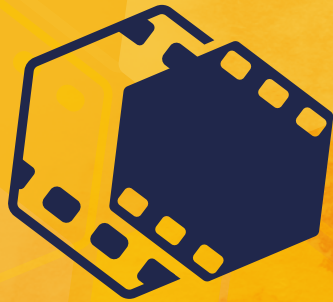
Crowning the best films of the 8th edition

Finally, after three days of wonderful international short films, the festival comes to an end with our award ceremony.

We will announce the winners of the B'Oscars in a ceremony held in The Arc Cinema and live streamed via our Facebook page.

We look forward to seeing you there.





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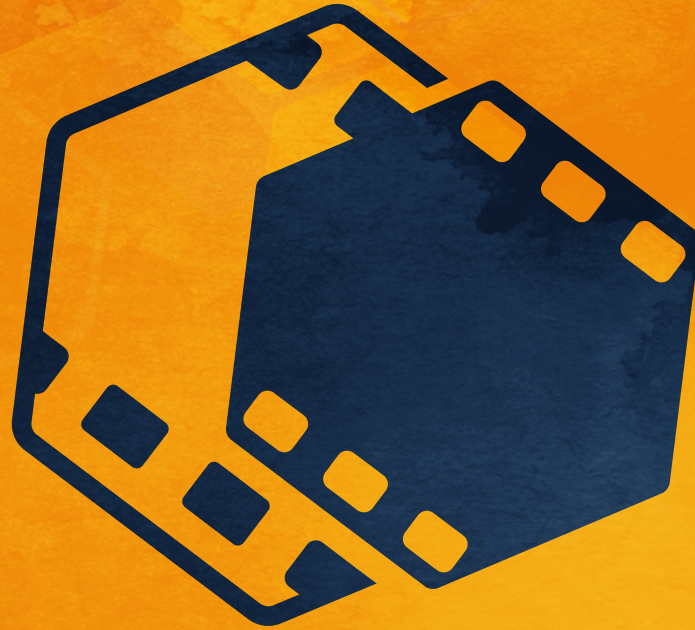
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