

April 3rd - 10th
2025





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We created this festival in the depths of the Great Reccession. We continued through the Gobal Pandemic and are thrilled to be one of the few film festivals that were live and in person in 2020, 2021, 2023, 2024 and now 2025! We owe a debt of graditude to Greg Laemmle for his support and flexibility during these unprecedented times.

Now we have made it to our Twelfth year! Such an enormous milestone. A world of graditude to our sponsors, filmmakers, screenwriters, staff and volunteers for making this happen. Without you, we could not do what we do. As we say, you all make the hard work well worth it!











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Passes:

Passes can be purchased directly from our website (www.pasadenafilmfestival.org) or at Will Call at the Laemmle NoHo 7 Cinema located at 5240 Lankershim Blvd. North Hollywood, Ca, 91601. It is only \$500 for a **Platinum** Pass \$250 for an **All-Access** Pass (less than \$2 per film), \$59 for a **Gala** Pass and \$35 for a **Day** Pass. If you would like to attend the Great Gatsby Gala & Award Ceremony, a pass is required for admission, and passes will not be sold at the door. Over 21 only. **PASSES ARE NOT MAILED, BUT CAN BE PICKED UP AT WILL CALL AT THE START OF THE FESTIVAL.** Please be sure to show a picture I.D. and proof of purchase when picking up your pass. You will also need to show ID for admittance to the Great Gatsby Gala & Award Ceremony. Our program is designed for adults.

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Tickets for individual blocks are only \$17.00 and can be purchased/reserved at www.Laemmle.com or directly at the theatre Box Office: 5240 Lankershim Blvd.

North Hollywood, CA 91601
(310) 478-3836

Pass Pick Up

All passes must be picked up in person. You will be asked to show photo I.D. We encourage picking up your pass at least 30 minutes before your first screening. There are sometimes lines to pick up a pass, as well as lines to enter the auditorium. Plus, people want to take pictures on the Red Carpet, possibly interview with press, and grab something at the concession stand. Please give yourself ample time.

Why Buy a Pass?

When you purchase a pass, you receive priority seating as well as guaranteed seating for a full days' worth of films, Q and A's, and access to our nightly Passholders Lounge. Passholders receive Happy Hour prices all night long! The Passholders Lounge is located at BREWS BROTHERS PUB, a short walk from the Laemmle NoHo 7 Theatre, and they are staying open late just for us! Anyone can see any movie, anywhere, at any time, but networking, the people you meet, this is what makes a film festival special.

Can we speak with filmmakers or actors at the festival?

Of course! This is one of the special perks of film festivals. Not only can you take in a film, but you can also get up close and personal with the filmmakers... ask questions at our Q and A sessions, or chat with them at one of our parties! This is a fantastic resource to learn about independent cinema.

Please arrive at least a half-hour ahead of time, especially if you haven't yet purchased your pass/ticket. Seating is based on a first come, first served basis. Passholders are given priority seating. All screenings take place at the Laemmle NoHo 7 Cinema located at 5240 Lankershim Blvd. North Hollywood, CA, 91601 www.laemmle.com

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We seriously could not have done this without you. People have worked unbelievably hard, all for their love of film. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FILM SCREENINGS at LAEMMLE NOHO7 CINEMA

Box Office Opens one hour prior to screening time. Please arrive at least a half-hour early. 5240 Lankershim Blvd, North Hollywood, CA 91601 (310)478-3836 www.laemmle.com

PASSHOLDER LOUNGE at BREWS BROTHERS PUB

Join us at Brews Brothers Pub where Passholders enjoy Happy Hour prices all night long. 5140 Lankershim Blvd. North Hollywood, CA 91601 (818) 308-6208 brewsbrotherscraftbeer.com

THE GREAT GATSBY GALA & AWARD CEREMONY at DER WOLF RESTOBAR

Re-live the roaring 1920's at this hidden gem. Over 21 only. Dress is black tie optional.

Passes will not be sold at the door.

72 N Fair Oaks Ave, Pasadena, CA 91103 (626) 219-6054 thederwolfpasadena.com



THURSDAY APRIL 3rd

~1:00 P.M.~ Box Office Opens

~3:15 P.M.~ Screenings Begin

9:00 PM: 90s Themed Opening Night Party at Brews Brothers

FRIDAY APRIL 4th

~PANEL - 12:00 PM~

State of the Industry today from a Talent Agent's Perspective: Self tapes, self submissions, marketing yourself, creating your own content, changing your mindset to book the room and the job, finding the right agent for representation. Jake O'Flaherty representing the Dangerfield Talent Agency.

 \sim 1:00 P.M. \sim Box Office Opens

~2:05 P.M.~ Screenings Begin

SATURDAY APRIL 5th

~11:00 A.M.~ Box Office Opens ~Noon~

SUNDAY APRIL 6th

~11:00 A.M.~ Box Office Opens

~Noon~ Film Screenings Begin

MONDAY APRIL 7th

~5:00 P.M.∼ Box Office Opens

~6:00 P.M.~ Film Screenings Begin

TUESDAY APRIL 8th

~3:00 P.M.~ Box Office Opens

~4:05 P.M.~ ~Film Screenings Begin~

WEDNESDAY APRIL 9th

~3:00 P.M.∼ Box Office Opens

~4:00 P.M.~ Film Screenings Begin

THURSDAY APRIL 10th

~The Great Gatsby Gala & Award Ceremony~

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72 N Fair Oaks Ave, Pasadena, CA 91103 (626) 219-6054 thederwolfpasadena.com

~7:00 P.M.~ Red Carpet

~8:00 P.M.~ Award Ceremony

Thank you and see you next year!

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SCHEDULE OF FILMS

THURSDAY, APRIL 3rd

BLOCK 1 - 3:15 pm (113 min)

Unconditional: Zahara's Journey

Hole

Stardust

The Rocketman

Frog

BLOCK 2 - 5:40 pm (92 min)

Back Then. Us

Afterimage

The Off Day

Collage

We Were Young

Those Other Days

The Ninth

Don't Pick Up

BLOCK 3 - 7:45 pm (94 min)

Pizza Time Pizza

BeforeHand

The Best Pizza Is In LA

FRIDAY, APRIL 4th

BLOCK 4 - 2:05 pm (87 min)

Private i

The Sacred Bees

My Body Is A Cage

What Exists

Face Blindness

Silhouette

BLOCK 5 - 4:00 pm (87 min)

By KEVIN THOMAS

Waiting On You!

Carole and Clark

My Little (818) Heart

What It's Like To Be Okay

FRIDAY, APRIL 4th (Cont.)

BLOCK 6 - 6:00 pm (96 min)

Hunger

Charles Gray

Love/All

Homeward Dawn

Della

Disco Beats

BLOCK 7 - 8:10 pm (87 min)

Solidao Feminina

Siren

I Don't Love You Anymore

BLOCK 8 - 10:10 pm (77 min)

They Call Me the Tattoo Witch

Clean Queens

Day 474, & The Lingerings Thereafter

Restraint

Ripper Was Here

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

BLOCK 9 - 12:00 pm (91 min)

Ali Eats America

BLOCK 10 - 2:00 pm (92 min)

Map Of The Stars

Robert Shields: My Life As A Robot

BLOCK 11 - 4:00 pm (85 min)

Inside My Heart

Nowhere Pie

Fast Forward To Forever

Beti

Papa's Corner

Stone Garden

SCHEDULE OF FILMS

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th (Cont.)

BLOCK 12 - 6:00 pm (87 min)

Chase

The Approval

Fenwick

Supplemental

The Errand Boy

Block 13: 7:55 pm (95 min)

Blocked

What's This?

Lady Times

Dolores

Still

Hunter Loading

Laid Bare

Stuffy

BLOCK 14 - 10:05 pm (91 min)

Carter

Family Reunion

Beltane

Wabi-Sabi

The Nature of Death

Dreamcatcher

SUNDAY, APRIL 6th

BLOCK 15 - 12:00 pm (88 min)

Norita

BLOCK 16 - 1:55pm (96 min)

Tin Tune

Ghosts In The Blood

Power Trip

BLOCK 17 - 4:00 pm (81 min)

Flowers for the Canyon

Grillo - Break the Cycle

Palmdale

Here's The Rules

Why Are You Like This?

Johnny Malibu

BLOCK 18 - 6:00 pm (97 min)

Home

Ukrainian Dance Movie

Uno Y Medio Contra El Mundo

Watching Walter

Margaret The Brave

BLOCK 19 - 8:00 pm (92 min)

Harfang: Eye For An Eye

Zasady (The Rules)

Battle Of LA

Mirage Blue

When The Clocks Stop

Once Upon a Time in the Apocalypse

MONDAY, APRIL 7th

BLOCK 20 - 6:00 pm (93 min)

Two Breaths

Sweet Santa Barbara Brown

Darcine's Day

Right To Privacy

Out Of The Ruin

Legend

BLOCK 21 - 8:05 pm (96 min)

Bed by 9

Fairy God Bro

You're Next

Maggie's Not Okay

Korean American Witches Society

Lollie

Madness Unplugged

Berta

SCHEDULE OF FILMS

TUESDAY, APRIL 8th

BLOCK 22 - 4:05 pm (84 min)

Artist Uncredited

Best Life

The Escort

I Wanna Be Happy

Happy Life

Engelstan

BLOCK 23 - 6:00 pm (91 min)

172 Push-Ups

The Curse Of Stigma

Arthur Ave.

Compound Machines

Silent Cycle

BLOCK 24 - 8:05 pm (86 min)

Off To Battle

Slurpee Trail

YES

Please Send Help

Blue Evening



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9th

BLOCK 25 - 4:00 pm (93 min)

Seasalter Road

I. M. Romance

The Errand

Elm

Tacenda

A Matter of Time

BLOCK 26 - 6:00 pm (89 min)

While I'm Still Living

Sleep

When Everything Was Blue

Lox

In Nomine Patris

Your Promise

How The Rose Reaches

BLOCK 27 - 8:00 pm (93 min)

Out of Order

Gatwick

On The Boulevard

On The Streets of Willoughby

One Note

Timewriter

No Vacancy



172 Push-Ups

Block 23: 6:00 pm Running Time: 14 min



A Vietnam vet and a female soldier bond over push-up contests, but clash over their views on same-sex marriage.

Producers: Frieda de Lackner, Rodney Nugent, Nika

Khitrova

Writer: Scott Mullen
Director: Frieda de Lackner

Actors: Krystal Mosley, Richard White, Christina Wren. Supporting: Rico Anderson, Jon Gentry, Jahnavi Alyssa, Johnathan D. Wray, Sandra McDaniels, Kyle Edwards, John

Dicaro

Social Media: @172pushups (IG)

AFTERIMAGE

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 9 min



When a girl catches a glimpse of an old flame while writing in the park, she is forced to relive fragments of their ephemeral relationship and face its effects on her. A coming-of-age short film about the seemingly inescapable trace that one person can leave on another,

"AFTERIMAGE" explores what it is to lose something that was never yours to begin with.

Producers: Aiko Dimayuga & Marc Pannia

Writer: Aiko Dimayuga Director: Aiko Dimayuga

Actors: Aiko Dimayuga & Josh Nobida

Social Media: @ after image short

Ali Eats America

Block 9: 12:00 pm Running Time: 91 min



Ali Allouche, a teenage cancer survivor, braves his way through treatments and chemotherapy with dreams of a culinary journey across the USA, inspired by his hero, Anthony Bourdain.

Producers: Eva Longoria, Cris Abrego, Rachelle Mendez, Greg Morris, Roush Niaghi, Scott Sheppard, Celia

Directors: Roush Niaghi & Greg Morris Actors: Ali Allouche, Jen Danko, José Andrés

Website: www.AliEatsAmerica.com Social Media: @alieatsamerica

The Approval

Block 12: 6:00 pm Running Time: 6 min



When a protest breaks into town, the Chief of Police seeks an approval of action to disperse the protesters.

Producer: Rodrigo Brand Writer: Rodrigo Brand Director: Rodrigo Brand

Actors: Raúl Aldana, Rodrigo Brand, George Duryea, Miriam Katz, Dwytt Knowles, Rachanee Lumayno, Jimmy Payne, Glen Ratcliffe, Christopher Matthew Spencer, Azeem

Vecchio, Ana Castillo

Website:

 $https://www.imdb.com/title/tt21845860/?ref_=fn_all_ttl_5$

ARTHUR AVE.

Block 23: 6:00 pm Running Time: 8 min



A gay couple accidentally walk into a mobster bar, and quickly realize they made a big mistake.

Producers: Joey Medina, Chris Clancy

Writer: Joey Medina
Director: Joey Medina

Actors: Mike Marino, Giovanni Cabrera, Kyle Christiansen, Sean Grant, Angelo Tsarouchas Ivan Gartner, Darren

Capozzi

Artist Uncredited

Block 22: 4:05 pm Running Time: 19 min



Holding court in a museum, a man explains his displayed artwork to visitors. But behind the showmanship, a tragic truth is hidden.

 ${\bf Producers:}\ {\bf Chris}\ {\bf Hirschh\"{a}user},\ {\bf Tim}\ {\bf Seyfi},\ {\bf Sven}\ {\bf Fuhrken}$

Writer: Sven Fuhrken

Directors: Sven Fuhrken & Chris Hirschhäuser **Actors:** Tim Seyfi, Lena Kluger, Beate Hirschhäuser

 $\textbf{Social Media:} @ \text{artist_uncredited_shortfilm}$

Country of Filming: Germany Premiere Status: West Coast

Back Then, Us

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 6 min



A non-English speaking Korean immigrant finds out her husband is a suspect in a hit-and-run

Producer: Catarina Forbes Writer: Matthew An Director: Matthew An

Actors: Shiona Lee, Brandon Lee, and Michael Kim

Battle Of LA

Block 19: 8:00 pm Running Time: 14 min



In the early hours of February 25, 1942 a 'something' was spotted over the skies over Los Angeles. A 'something' that was found by two young scientist, filling them with wonder and more importantly, hope.

Producer: Patrick Pizzolorusso Writer: Patrick Pizzolorusso Director: Patrick Pizzolorusso

Actors: Patrick Pizzolorusso, Lauren Olipra, Adam Wasser,

Alexandra Kopko

Website: https://tinyrocketfilms.com/ Social Media: @tinyrocketfilms Bed By 9

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 3 min



Big Time Maca's beautiful girlfriend sensually saunters into their bedroom, ready for a night of lovemaking...but it's past Maca's strict bedtime of 9pm.

Producer: Olivia Isabel Comas Wood

Writer: Max Castillo Director: Christian Klein

Actors: Max Castillo, Brittany Lewis, Aaron Monte,

Tommy Wakefield

Website:

https://www.maxcastillocomedy.com/#home-section

Social Media: @bigtimemaca

BeforeHand

Block 3: 7:45 pm Running Time: 8 min



As a local artist is in search of a vintage jacket for an upcoming photoshoot, he ultimately encounters a first hand experience while shopping at a second hand store.

Producers: Denise Simpson, Jonathan Goldfisher, Martin

Russell Johnson

Writer: Alphonso McAuley
Director: Alphonso McAuley

Actors: Eddie Blackwell Williams, Paris Scott Allen, Lane

Townsend

Social Media: @beforehandshortfilm

Beltane

Block 14: 10:05 pm Running Time: 17 min



A childless couple's relationship starts to unravel after the husband suspects his wife's infertility is due to outside forces.

Producers: Tim Wu & John-Paul Panelli

Writer: John-Paul Panelli Director: John-Paul Panelli

Actors: Allison Pittel & James M. Reilly

Berta

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 17 min



Berta wants Alex to understand the harm he caused her years ago and will do whatever it takes to explain it to him.

Producers: Lucía Forner Segarra & Patricia Chica

Writer: Lucía Forner Segarra Director: Lucía Forner Segarra

Actors: Nerea Barros, Elías González y Thais Blume

Social Media: @yaqdistribucion **Country of Filming:** Spain

Best Life

Block 22: 4:05 pm Running Time: 10 min



A married woman spends a day in her beautiful, perfect life completely uninspired and fantasizing about the one thing that's missing.

Producer: In Full Bloom Productions

Writer: Valerie Chaney Director: Valerie Chaney

Actors: Milana Vayntrub & Samba Schutte

Social Media: @valerieandchaney

The Best Pizza is in LA

Block 3: 7:45 pm Running Time: 70 min



Filmmaker Pete Ferriero is on a journey to prove that the best pizza is not in New York, Chicago, or Italy, but actually in Los Angeles. Along with Celebrity Chefs and Guests, Ferriero explores the history and explosion of red sauce, cheese and unusual topping pizza joints in LA.

Producers: Sarah Sobek, Pete Ferriero, Kathleen Robertson, Ray Esposito, Patric Arnold, Tim Jones

Writer: Pete Ferriero
Director: Pete Ferriero

Actors: Tori Spelling, Nancy Silverton, Brooke Williamson, Brian Austin Green, Joe Sasto, Stephanie Izard, Joe

Gannascoli, Allen Salkin

Social Media: @thebestpizzaisinla

BETI

Block 11: 4:00 pm Running Time: 19 min



BETI (daughter) follows the journey of Neha, a young woman who has just lost her mother with whom she shared a pained, complicated relationship marred by generational trauma. Suddenly faced with a lifetime of unanswered questions and unfulfilled needs, Neha comes to understand that though her mother fell short in many ways, her love was always pure, and she truly did do the best she could under the circumstances.

Producer: John Hamilton Writer: Dilshad Vadsaria Director: Dilshad Vadsaria

Actors: Viji Nathan, Pooya Mohseni, Erika Nadir, and

Dilshad Vadsaria

BLOCKED

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 6 min



An exhausted Mother is literally consumed by the task of cleaning up her kid's blocks.

Producer: Julianne Dowler Writer: Aisha Alfa Director: Aisha Alfa Actor: Aisha Alfa

Website: https://www.aishaalfa.com/blocked Social Media: @BLOCKED.film

BLUE EVENING

Block 24: 8:05 pm Running Time: 40 min



A homeless addict in Los Angeles stumbles upon a lost masterpiece in a thrift store, setting him on a desperate journey of redemption, survival, and self discovery as he fights to reclaim his life before the painting slips through his fingers.

Producers: Cory DeMeyers, Robert Kesar, Jett Jansen

Fernandez

Writer: Jett Jansen Fernandez Director: Jett Jansen Fernandez

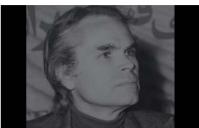
Actors: Gustavo Ramirez, Kevin Robert Kesar, Sari Sanchez, Sammy Horowitz, Adam Pasen, Deangelo

Harding, Jessica Michel Lopez

Social Media: @blueeveningfilm @blacksheepfilmclub

By KEVIN THOMAS

Block 5: 4:00 pm Running Time: 48 min



Perspicacious film critic Kevin Thomas shares highlights of his long, illustrious career at the LA Times with wit and candor, recalling his deep friendships with such iconic figures as Mae West and directors George Cukor and Fritz

Producers: Jon Davison & Beverly Walker

Director: Tim Hunter

Carole & Clark

Block 5: 4:00 pm Running Time: 5 min



Carole Lombard and Clark Gable share an intimate moment the night before he leaves for basic training.

Producers: Sara Rose Carr & Mae Ruling

Writer: Mae Ruling
Director: Sara Rose Carr

Actors: Mae Ruling & Brandon Ruling

Carter

Block 14: 10:05 pm Running Time: 10 min



In this H.P. Lovecraft adaptation, Carter, a grief-stricken young man, and his mentor Warren, an elder female professor of the occult, search for a portal to the underworld in an abandoned cemetery.

Producers: Xander Copp, Bradley Cherry, Adam Schoales

Writers: Meg Rodgers, John-Paul Kaczur

Director: Xander Copp

Actors: Carson MacCormac, Elizabeth Saunders, Brian

Quintero

Social Media: @carter_shortfilm Country of Filming: Canada Premiere Status: West Coast **Charles Gray**

Block 6: 6:00 pm Running Time: 13 min



A man goes to a place to do a thing.

Producers: Aaron Foster & Bryon Evans

Writer: Aaron Foster Director: Aaron Foster Actor: Aaron Foster

Website: www.charlesgraymovie.com Social Media: @charlesgraymovie

CHASE

Block 12:6:00 pm Running Time: 5 min



A man receives a mysterious video file on the subway that forces him to confront his own conscience.

Producers: Nathaniel Czarnecki & Michał Wroński

Writer: Nathaniel Czarnecki Director: Nathaniel Czarnecki

Actors: Sebastian Stankiewicz & Magdalena Woleńska

Country of Filming: Poland Premiere Status: World

Clean Queens

Block 8: 10:10 pm Running Time: 15 min



A reckless spending decision puts two best friends at odds over their struggling cleaning business. A promising lead offers a lifeline but forces them to risk more than they ever intended.

Producers: Destiny Joelle & Abdul Choudhury **Writers:** Sebastian F. Taylor & Destiny Joelle

Director: Sebastian F. Taylor

Actors: Destiny Joelle, Shane Ann Jones, Will Madden,

Gerardo Davila

Social Media: @cleanqueens

COLLAGE

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 10 min



Scientific studies indicate that there are six cues in human behavior that indicate when two people are flirting. Two workers at an art gallery are going to discover them

Producer: Màrius Conrotto Díaz **Writer:** Màrius Conrotto Díaz **Director:** Màrius Conrotto Díaz

Actors: Luna Calero, Nur Costa, Mireia Torné, Guillem

Niubó

Website: https://www.imdb.com/es-es/title/tt33292953/

Social Media: @collage_shortfilm

Country of Filming: Spain
Premiere Status: LA County

Compound Machines

Block 23: 6:00 pm Running Time: 28 min



Compound Machines is a harrowing exploration of how deep-seated childhood trauma can be molded into violence through the relentless force of hate speech.

Producers: Joseph F. Ferro & Creative Visions

Writer: Joseph F. Ferro Director: Joseph F. Ferro

Actors: Paul Louis Harrell, Veronica Ocasio, Christopher Goodman, Robert Foran, Martin Harris, Sam Bullington, Laura Siskoff, Ryan Bravo, Brady Carville, Jayne Marin, Nancy Kramer, Franco Fox, Peter John Minto, James James

Website: https://www.imdb.com/title/tt19177210/

Social Media: @jferro1967

The Curse of Stigma

Block 23: 6:00 pm Running Time: 17 min



A powerful and intimate documentary film, "The Curse of Stigma" tells the story of Kenyans living with epilepsy and the pain, isolation, and harm they have suffered because of discrimination and deeply embedded cultural beliefs. By telling their truth, and the truth about epilepsy, they overcome shame - the ultimate curse of epilepsy stigma.

Producers: Hannah Whitten & Gardiner Lapham

Writer: Derek Watson, Chet Burns

Director: Derek Watson

Website: https://thecurseofstigma.org/

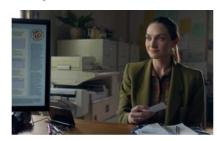
Social Media:

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61550235701782

Country of Filming: Kenya

DARCINE'S DAY

Block 20: 6:00 pm Running Time: 16 min



Darcine's Day is a short drama film about a woman struggling to find work, food, and housing in Los Angeles. The film stars Kyla Diane Kennedy as Darcine Thomas. Darcine's Day is a social commentary on the challenges of the post-pandemic job market, and the difficulties of finding affordable housing and nutritious food. The film explores themes of homelessness, the disappearing middle class, and the challenges of being a woman in Los Angeles

Producers: Jeaneth Goffman & Vidal Cohen

Writer: Aaron Goffman Director: Aaron Goffman

Actors: Kyla Diane Kennedy Brent Huff Elizabeth Lamboy-Wilson, Vicki Browder-Johnson, Joe Hackett, Karla Paola Cortez, Sophia Doering-Powell, Natalie

Website: https://www.darcines.day/ Social Media: @darcinesday

Day 474 and the Lingerings Thereafter

Block 8: 10:10 pm Running Time: 14 min



Day 474 and the Lingerings Thereafter' follows a man who's isolation during the Covid 19 epidemic has messed with his mind. Shot half during the lockdown and half after the world opened back up, the film explores the lasting effects of what we all went through during the pandemic.

Producers: Kelly Perine, Eric Darnell Anderson, Marvin Glover, Aliya Colvard.

Writers: Kelly Perine, Adam Charles Rubin Directors: Kelly Perine, Adam Charles Rubin

Actors: Kelly Perine, J. Maddox, Anita Abninezhad, Troy Taylor Gunn, William Cutting, Carter Davis, Victoria Chuidian, Meg Evans, Robin Laroux, Leanne Melissa

Della

Block 6: 6:00 pm Running Time: 20 min



"Della" tells the story of two sisters, bonded and connected by shared past of childhood trauma and abuse. Each having gone their separate ways, the sisters now confront their shared history and past with the tragic passing of their abusive, alcoholic mother. Della, a headstrong, angry fighter is triggered in the ring by an equally talented and antagonistic from the Latino fighting community. After the gloves touch, an unanticipated unleashing of past hurts derails Della's projected victory

Producers: Rachel Ellner, Heather Flores Writers: Alessandro Gentile, Francesca O'Hop

Director: Alessandro Gentile

Actors: Katie Reese, Rachel Ellner, Daniel Mora, Lucy Mae Gentile, Barbie Gamboa, Heather Flores, Dinamita Merrari,

Mauricio Mendoza

Website:https://www.gentileimages.com/lodo#/dellashortfil

Social Media: @dellashortfilm

Disco Beats

Block 6: 6:00 pm Running Time: 19 min



Set in Detroit circa 1979: An elderly man tries to convince a jaded disco dance instructor to teach him to dance so he can surprise his wife on their 60th wedding anniversary...in one

Producer: Stephanie Bell Writer: Ken Arquelio Director: Ken Arquelio

Actors: Pepe Serna, Ken Arquelio, Elia Cantu, Shireen Crutchfield, Christopher Callen, Elise Thuresson

Website: vinceropictures.com Social Media: @discobeatsmovie

Dolores

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 10 min



A man and a woman take a trip to a vacation home where she begins to have recurring nightmares about a traumatic childhood event.

Producers: Nichole Luna, Adam Lisagor, Dashay Jocelyn,

Haley Beasley
Writer: Nichole Luna
Director: Nichole Luna

Actors: Stacey Patino, Justin Powell, Natalia Trevino, Lala

Costa

Social Media: @doloresthefilm; @mujerenlaluna

Don't Pick Up

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 14 min



Louisa enters a Children's Bookshop to escape a humiliating day. When Chris, the sweet and lonely store manager, attempts an awkward flirt, it both excites and terrifies her, awakening old compulsions. Which is stronger? Love?...or the wild need to escape with the book in her purse?

Producers: Nick Candido, Lina Lansky, Jennifer Plotzke

Writer: Susannah Nolan Director: Jeremiah Kipp

Actors: Keith David & Kathryn Erbe

Website: www.alphamarefilms.com Social Media: @alphamarefilms The Dreamcatcher

Block 14: 10:05 pm Running Time: 13 min



Juan's nightmares are getting worse and they have discovered a way to enter his world. That same night, his mother will give him a very special dreamcatcher. Both will find a way to lock up Juan's monsters forever, but not before releasing the nightmares that his mother kept over 30 ago.

Producer: Eneko D. Ugarte Writer: Guillermo Patrikios Alum Director: Guillermo Patrikios Alum

Actors: Lidia Casanova & Alejandro Velasco

Country of Filming: Spain

Elm

Block 25: 4:00 pm Running Time: 15 min



An abandoned doll and a scarecrow scared of crows form an unlikely bond when they work together to overcome their fears and heal their mutual pain

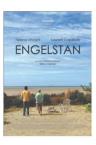
Producer: Sean Kohnen Writer: Kay, Qiao Director: Kay, Qiao

Actors: Olivia Hytha, Max Udell, Ryan Dodge, Dylan

Barton, Tyler McKenna

Engelstan

Block 22: 4:05 pm Running Time: 27 min



Deborah is a rather tough piano teacher. She lives in Calais, France. Mansour is a Syrian refugee with a continual big smile on his lips. He wants to cross the Channel to England. By accident, Deborah welcomes Mansour into her home. An improbable meeting, which awaken a buried and tragic past.

Producer: John John Goossens **Writer:** Philippe Blasband **Director:** Manu Coeman

Social Media: @manucoeman

The Errand Boy

Block 12: 6:00 pm Running Time: 29 min



A desperate man agrees to run errands that range from mundane to dangerous, to help his dying sister receive the medical care she needs to live.

Producers: Maximiliano Hernández, Amen Igbinosun,

Natalie Thomas

Writer: Maximiliano Hernández Director: Maximiliano Hernández

Actor: Adam Irigoyen

Website: theministryfilmworks.com

 $\textbf{Social Media:}\ @\text{maxito} is 4 real,\ @\text{theministry} film work sinc,$

@adamirigoyen

The Errand

Block 25: 4:00 pm Running Time: 10 min



On the precipice of a life-changing event, Hayley is faced with the cost of letting go as she struggles to complete the final errand that will close the door on her past and force her to embrace an uncertain future.

Producers: Hayley Marie Norman, Peter J. Scalettar, Ingrid

Haas, Elisha Yaffe, Corey Gegner Writer: Hayley Marie Norman Director: Hayley Marie Norman

Actors: Hayley Marie Norman, Malcolm Barrett, Vanessa

Chester, Leo Gonzalez

Website:https://hayleymarienorman.komi.io/?fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZ W0CMTEAAaZ69xvyecuZ4OCAtWQRLo5qABeC1ps6DdrYsIXCjZ EgjRy4XKvNdZKIOlw_aem_ua-yeXVDiSh9BTyqD4NCiA

Social Media: @hayleymarienorman Country of Filming: Canada

Face Blindness

Block 4: 2:05 pm Running Time: 16 min



After a car accident, Yong's face was transformed into another person by his surgeon Su, and became her revenge tool. With the implementation of the revenge plan, Yong falls in love with Su, and gradually into her well-designed trap.

Producers: Xiang Cao, Wei Dai, Chih Hsuan Hsiung,

Natalie Yao Meng, Chen Yao Writer: Zongying Liu Director: Olivia Luying Wang

Actors: Shiona Lee, Jonathan Tanigaki, Dede Harlan,

Felisha Wong

 $Website: \verb|https://www.gentileimages.com/lodo#/dellashortfil|\\$

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Social Media: @face_blindeness

The Escort

Block 22: 4:05 pm Running Time: 5 min



The Escort is a short animated film about a young boy's journey of the heart. Hand animated with a moving original score

Producers: Rick Williamson & Regina McKee Redwing

Writer: Rick Williamson
Director: Rick Williamson

Harfang: Eye For An Eye

Block 19: 8:00 pm Running Time: 2 min



The plot of the clip is about a tribe of nomads who struggle to survive in a harsh and post-apocalyptic world. One day, they come across a wounded warrior named Harfang and decide to help him, despite the risks involved.

Producers: Vladyslav Savchenko & Arthur Lerman

Writer: Arthur Lerman Director: Arthur Lerman Actor: Ivan Bilash

Website: https://codeproductions.com/en/ Social Media: @code.productions

Country of Filming: Ukraine

Fairy God Bro

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 5 min



When needing to reveal her biggest secret to her "normal" fiancé, a witch turns to her fairy god mother for help only to be surprised by her fairy god bro.

Producers: David Cameli, Jules Quaas, Stephanie Williams, Evan Morton

Writers: David Cameli, Bailey Castle, David Hartley

Director: Stephanie Williams

Actors: David Cameli, Bailey Castle, David Hartley,

Michelle Persoff

Social Media: @veritribeproductions

Family Reunion

Block 14: 10:05 pm **Running Time:** 15 min



A young girl is being stalked by what she believes to be a Lake Monster during a family reunion.

Producers: Sarrah Jo Carré & Diamond Fierro

Writer: Sarah Jo Carré
Director: Sarah Jo Carré

Actors: Jetta LaJewel as Diana and Jeremiah Soderstrom as

Damia

Website: https://sarahjocarree9fc.myportfolio.com

Social Media: @Sarah_jo_carre

Fast Forward to Forever

Block 11: 4:00 pm Running Time: 9 min



When his significant other passes away, a boy finds himself remembering the past and asking, "What could I have done differently?"

Producer: Brendan Carretero Writer: Brendan Carretero Director: Dylan Martin

Actors: Corey Timmons, Akil Jackson, Marlee Learner

Social Media: @fastfowardtoforever

Fenwick

Block 12: 6:00 pm Running Time: 14 min



When an ambitious journalist investigates rumors of unethical practices at the now defunct Fenwick School, he unwittingly becomes part of the school's sinister history.

Producer: Jaci Kjernander Writer: Rachel S. Thomas-Medwid Director: Rachel S. Thomas-Medwid

Actors: Joe Bell, Jaci Kjernander, Alyson Muzila, Sacco

Sarkis

Website:

https://www.rachelspoonerthomas.com/fenwickfilm

Social Media: @fenwickthemovie

Flowers for the Canyon

Block 17: 4:00 pm Running Time: 12 min



A short documentary about a local Pasadena brewery that helps victims of the Eaton Fire.

Producer: Greg Schmittel Writer: Greg Schmittel Director: Greg Schmittel

Social Media: @schmittel

FROG

Block 1: 3:15 pm Running Time: 45 min



At the performance of his career, a young pianist finds himself disenchanted: questioning his upbringing, success, parents, and most of all, if he ever loved to play the piano.

Producers: Jon J. Lee, Oliver Kompst, Leon Pierce Jr.

Writer: Jon J. Lee Director: Jon J. Lee

Actors: James Pyo, Karla Kim, Hidekun Hah, Esther Chun,

Tae Ho Yoon, Chris MJ Lee

Social Media: @ music.jaeyoung

Gatwick

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 5 min



A down on his luck private dick meets a dame in need. Will this be his big break?

Producers: Andrew Halpin, Trevor Tillman, John Haggard,

Stephen Dudro
Writer: Stephen Dudro
Director: Stephen Dudro

Actors: Paul Roland, Karolyn Dudro, Andrew Halpin,

Kenneth Studebaker

Ghosts in the Blood

Block 16: 1:55pm Running Time: 14 min



Dr. Orin Mira, a genetics professor, stumbles across a quantum connection with his ancestors.

Producer: Isaac Cruz Writer: Isaac Cruz

Directors: Raphael Buisson Enlas & Isaac Cruz Actors: Isaac Cruz, Roger Howarth, Cara Mitsuko, Sam Marra, Xander Baily, Anna K. Bararra, Tomoko Karina

Website: ghostsintheblood.wordpress.com Social Media: @ghosts_in_the_blood_film

Grillo- Break The Cycle

Block 17: 4:00 pm Running Time: 16 min



Grillo (2024) follows the story of David "Grillo" Amodio, a man shaped by gang violence, addiction, and incarceration in East L.A. Through candid reflections, David narrates his journey from a troubled youth to repeated run-ins with the law, and with the support of Homeboy Industries and Father Greg Boyle, he seeks redemption and transformation.

Producers: Dima Puchkarev, Hassan Galedary, Andy

Capper, Mark Larson
Writer: Dima Puchkarev
Director: Dima Puchkarev

Actors: David Zamudio, Aya Gruber, Fr. Greg Boyle, Shia

LaBeouf

Website: www.grillodoc.com Social Media: @grillodoc Happy Life

Block 22: 4:05 pm Running Time: 8 min



An old woman who turns her loneliness into joy with the help of three balloons and a mysterious stranger.

Producer: Sara Caldwell Writer: Kelly Karam Director: Sara Caldwell

Website:

https://www.house of gorey productions.com/portfolio

 ${\bf Social\ Media:}\ @{\tt saracaldwell} author$

Here's the Rules

Block 17: 4:00 pm Running Time: 8 min



Eddie loves hanging out with his friends but zones out when they explain the rules of their stupidly complex board game.

Producers: Ben Hatmaker, Matthew Giblin, Scott

McKinney

Writer: Scott McKinney Director: Scott McKinney

Actors: Shane Rogers, Austin James, Raven Taylor, Leigh

Coureiro

Hole

Block 1: 3:15 pm Running Time: 8 min



A man's conversation with a stranger about the art piece he claims ruined his life ends with a devastating revelation.

Producers: Gabrielle Burton & Tyler Langford

Writer: Carson Lane
Director: Carson Lane

Actors: David Pasquesi & Carson Lane

Social Media: @hole.short.film

HOME

Block 18: 6:00 pm Running Time: 15 min



Seo-won navigates a fragmented reality filled with emotional encounters and haunting memories, seeking solace and clarity in her search for home.

Producer: Al Chang Writer: Al Chang Director: Al Chang

Actors: Theresa Bome Kim, Kang Kim, Ian Oh, Angie Jho Lee, Kathryn Hutchinson, Lana Chang, Clara Choi, Michael

Chang, Grace Chan

Social Media: @4lcfilm

Homeward Dawn

Block 6: 6:00 pm Running Time: 20 min



A long night in jail leads to a catharsis and a new day for a veteran trying to outrun his painful past.

Producers: Jacquelyn Ryan-Krichevsky, Bryan Bihari,

Alysha Haran Writer: Alysha Haran Director: Alysha Haran

Actors: Justin Jesso & Jason E. Kelley

Social Media: @ LostLightFilms

How the Rose Reaches

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 17 min



Talulah, pregnant with her first born, wrestles with the reality of motherhood as she is confronted with memories of her own, mentally unstable mother.

Producers: Terri Measel Adams & Michelle Moreland

Writer: Terri Measel Adams Director: Belle Adams

Actors: Belle Adams, Katelin Chesna, Sage Schmidt, Aditi George, Schyler Tillett, Jonathan D Williams, Scarlett Jane

Moore

Social Media: @terri_me_adams

Hunger

Block 6: 6:00 pm Running Time: 7 min



An artist struggles with the constant hustle needed to be successful in a grueling industry.

Producer: Matt Acevedo, Glenn Akers, Michael Barryte

Writer: Gabrielle Thomas
Director: Gabrielle Thomas

Actors: Gabrielle Thomas, Frank Krueger, Celia Doherty

Website: https://filmfreeway.com/projects/3154879

Hunter Loading

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 8 min



Under the guise of a homecoming party, an aspiring vlogger plans a nasty, live-streamed surprise for a friend, but soon the tables are turned

Producers: Travis Parke Campbell; Sasa Numic; Liska

Ostojic

Writers: Sasa Numic & Liska Ostojic

Director: Sasa Numic

Actors: Max Reed III, Eden Beck, Nick Chapman, Chris Gutierrez, Josie Timmerman, Emily Margolin, Sam

Huntsman, Abraham Khanian

Social Media: @hunter_loading_short_film

I Don't Love You Anymore

Block 7: 8:10 pm Running Time: 73 min



Slow burn crime drama - a suburban couple tries to explain how a homeless man ended up floating lifelessly in their pool. Their differing versions of the night and the events that led up to it create a Rashomon-like puzzle that reveals a more complex, troubling narrative submerged beneath the surface.

Producers: Mitch Marcus, Zachary Kingham-Seagle,

Elisabeth Rudolph Writer: Mitch Marcus Director: Mitch Marcus

Actors: Henri Esteve, Hope Lauren, Marcus Henderson,

Paul McCrane

Social Media: @i dont love you anymore movie

I Wanna Be Happy

Block 22: 4:05 pm Running Time: 15 min



A suicidal hitman joins a canceled director in a search for a mythical tree that could grant their wishes.

Producer: Igor Raevskii Writer: Igor Raevskii Director: Igor Raevskii

Actors: Dan Garland & Ethan Mikael

Social Media: @igorraevskii13

I.M. Romance

Block 25: 4:00 pm Running Time: 10 min



A romantic comedy about two lonely souls who connect through an online dating service and develop a relationship through text messages.

Producer: Frank Antonelli Writer: Jeffrey Berman Directors: Jeffrey Berman

Actors: Patrick McGowan, Haley Benson, Jeremy Walker

Website: https://imromance.com/ Social Media: @JeffBerman007

In Nomine Patris

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 14 min



A grandmother struggling to save her disturbed grandson enlists the help of a priest with a dark past.

Producer: Harnish Ambaliya

Writer: Don John Director: Don John

Actors: John Posey, Alisa Schulz, Mark Sodukh

Social Media: @innominepatrismovie

Inside My Heart

Block 11: 4:00 pm Running Time: 14 min



A week after her grandpa's departure, Natalia lies in bed, seeking something within herself. Closing her eyes tightly, she embarks on an adventure deep inside her body.

Producer: Diego Salazar Lira

Writers: Diego Salazar Lira based on the original story by

Dalia de la Peña Wing

Directors: Themis Wing & Diego Salazar Lira Actors: Viviane Ortega, Joel Celaya, Génesis De Castro, Diego Salazar Lira, Sol Lazcano, Paola Cuadros Johnny Malibu

Block 17: 4:00 pm Running Time: 15 min



Johnny, a dedicated single father, is struggling to provide for his daughter when he accidentally meets Ron, his former agent, who invites him to come back to the porn industry to live his glorious days again.

Producers: Bia Gallo & Maju Cancella

Writer: Carolina Saraiva Director: Will Mazzola

Actor: Allen Marsh, Kent Kasper, Bayley Ellenburg

Social Media: @Johnnymalibu_2023

Korean American Witches Society

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 13 min



A lonely, anxious girl wishes to save her cancer-stricken father and befriends the granddaughter of a Korean shaman. Together, they create a secret witchcraft ritual, which leads to unexpected consequences.

Producers: Jennifer Kim & Medha Jaishankar

Writer: Jennifer Kim
Director: Michael K.Y. Yip

Actors: Viva Lee, Hailey Soomin Lee, J.J. Joo, Taehee Kim

Website: https://linktr.ee/kawitchsociety

Social Media: @i_dont_love_you_anymore_movie

Lady Times

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 9 min



When Kate brings her date home for a romantic evening her plans are thwarted by a very unusual menstrual cycle.

Producers: Stacy Snyder & Bryan Ricke

Writer: Melissa Vitello Director: Melissa Vitello

Actors: Marissa Pistone, Austin Arnold, Dakota Snyder

Social Media: @melissa_makes_movies

Laid Bare

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 25 min



A struggling painter glimpses success when he begins slicing pieces of his own skin off and using it to create his work.

Producer: Michael Cole, Joseph Ermey, Morgen Ludwig,

Owen Bagwell

Writer: Morgen Ludwig
Director: Morgen Ludwig

Actors: Steven Drenth, Zilia Balkansky-Selles, Dan Heise,

Isabella Bonanno

Social Media: @morgenlud

Legend

Block 20: 6:00 pm Running Time: 16 min



A software scientist at an online bank (Dileep Rao) forces his CEO (Nate Timmerman) to address the inequity in their pay at gunpoint.

Producer: Nathan Oliver **Writer:** Dileep Rao

Directors: Dileep Rao & Nathan Oliver **Actors:** Dileep Rao & Nate Timmerman

Website:

https://nathancoliver.wixsite.com/franklinhouse/legend

Social Media: @legendtheshortfilm

Lollie

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 18 min



A young lunch lady in Brazil needs to fight the world to protect her unique friendship with Lola, a helpless 71-year-old woman with a mental disability.

Producers: Agnes Shinozaki & David Barbeschi **Writer:** Agnes Shinozaki & David Barbeschi

Director: Agnes Shinozaki

Actors: Monique Hortolani, Cristiane Natale, Marcelo

Gomes

Social Media: @lollie.short

Country of Filming: Brazil

Love/All Block 6: 6:00 pm Running Time: 22 min



Love All is a sports drama following Logan Mitchell, a pro tennis player attempting a comeback from his controversial suspension. As he grapples with his uncertain future, Logan crosses paths with Nina Alvarez, the current number one in the world who is facing challenges of her own. They will need to decide what they are willing to sacrifice to get to the top in the high-stakes world of professional tennis.

Producer: Greg Bekkers

Writers: Greg Bekkers & Andrea Londo

Director: Greg Bekkers

Actor: Andrea Londo, Jeremy Gimenez, Brad Benedict

Website: www.gregbekkers.com Social Media: @thegregbekkers

Lox

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 13 min



Ruth engages a stranger in the bagel line, only to discover she may know more about him than she remembers.

Producers: Dan Pavlik, Bettina Devin, Leslie Karaffa

Writer: Dan Pavlik, Leo Eigen

Director: Dan Pavlik

Actors: Bettina Devin, Andy Goldenberg, Elena

Campbell-Martinez

Website: LoxMovie.com

Madness Unplugged

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 17 min



A man with a history of mental illness hears the electric outlet plugs in his apartment talking about him and a plot to destroy the building; he struggles to separate fact from hallucination while having to avert an impending disaster.

Producers: David St. Clair & Jim St. Clair

Writer: David St. Clair Director: David St. Clair

Actors: Jon Oshei, Brit Landa, & Jeff McDonald

Website: https://www.madnessunpluggedmovie.com/ Social Media: @madness_unplugged_film Maggie's Not Okay

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 12 min



Maggie, a chronic people pleaser, is always getting pushed around. But when she tries to return a lost cat to his owner, Maggie is finally pushed too far and decides to push back... in a most unexpected way.

Producer: Mouzam Makkar, Vance Smith, Clare Cooney,

Behzad Dabu, Suzaine and Mike McNamara

Writer: Mouzam Makkar Director: Vance Smith

Actors: Mouzam Makkar. Behzad Dabu, Clare Cooney.

Paloma Nozicka

Social Media: @maggies_not_okay_film

Map of the Stars

Block 10: 2:00 pm Running Time: 5 min



A woman's obsession with becoming an actress in Hollywood is realized. Or is it?

Producer: Jeff Vespa Writer: Joyce Lee Director: Joyce Lee

Actors: Kristina Li, Elise Mireille, Jaydn Coletti

Website: https://www.joyce-lee.com/map-of-the-stars

Social Media: @joyceleephoto

Margaret The Brave

Block 18: 6:00 pm Running Time: 27 min



A recently-divorced professor of mythology tries to inspire his teenage daughter with a fairy tale on the night she leaves home to live with her mother, but considering the state of the world- it will take more than fantasy to reach her.

Producer: Rachel Johnson Writer: Danny Chandia Director: Danny Chandia

 ${\bf Social\ Media:}\ @ {\tt desert cactus films}$

A Matter of Time

Block 25: 4:00 pm Running Time: 26 min



Burney is 94 years old and doesn't want to leave his condo. Sandy is 81 and feeling isolated. Aging is tough, and these two seniors in St. Louis have some hard decisions to make.

Producers: David Heiman & Brendan Brandt

Director: Brendan Brandt

Social Media: @brendanabrandt

Mirage Blue

Block 19: 8:00 pm Running Time: 21 min



The main character, Takao, deviates from his established path in life and wanders in the wilderness. Aim for the shining sea with a mysterious blind woman you meet during your journey. After deciding on the path to take, Takao heads for the sea, but the place he ends up in is the shining blue sea? Was there really an ocean there, or was it a mirage?

Producer: Satoshi Nakagawa Writer: Satoshi Nakagawa Director: Satoshi Nakagawa

Actors: Yu Vitor, Yoko Nomoto, Ayumu Omae, Maho Tachibana, Kuniaki, Kuniaki Kamimura

Social Media: @ch_r11_

My Body Is a Cage Block 4: 2:05 pm Running Time: 10 min



Where is the line between confidence and delusion? When a once highly touted boxing prospect drops to a professional record of 0-6, he is faced with the harsh decision on whether or not it's time to abandon his dream, in spite of his near success.

Producers: Jasmine McLeish, Matthew Hennion, Vimala

Veera

Writers: The Burbank Brothers (Chris Angelis and Anthony

Notarile

Director: Chris Angelis

Actor: Anthony Notarile, Carly Diamond Stone, Cairo

Spencer, Adam Frazier, Justin Prentice

My Little (818) Heart

Block 5: 4:00 pm Running Time: 12 min



When a disillusioned filmmaker decides to "break up" with Los Angeles, her best friend takes her on a magical adventure around the city to remind her why she fell in love with it in the first place.

Producer: Sara O'Reilly

Writers: Jeremy Foley & Sara O'Reilly

Director: Jeremy Foley

Actors: Ari Hader, Galen Howard

Website: adjectivepictures.com Social Media: @adjectivepictures

The Nature of Death

Block 14: 10:05 pm Running Time: 17 min



When an eccentric park ranger crosses paths with a grieving hiker, he offers his help in finding the perfect spot to scatter the hiker's father's ashes. As they venture deeper into the remote wilderness, the ranger's true intentions begin to blur.

Producers: Tyler Beveridge, Sean Cruser, Murphy Martin

Writer: Tyler Beveridge Director: Sean Cruser

Actors: Tyler Beveridge, Murphy Martin, Bix Krieger,

Torean Thomas

Social Media: @viciousframes

The Ninth

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 17 min



An alcoholic's recovery is jeopardized when she accidentally sends a damaging email to her boss, forcing her to confront her past to save her job and sobriety.

Producers: Matt Ferrucci, Lauren Cantell, Angela Calero

Writer: Lauren Cantell Director: Matt Ferrucci

Actors: Lauren Cantell, Andrea Grano, Danielle Dallacco,

Lane Compton, Mike Romo

Social Media: @matt ferrucci @cantellmenuffin

No Vacancy

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 21 min



Investigative journalist Leigh Larson, coerced to visit a remote motel by a unrelenting extortionist, faces the specter of her past sins.

Producers: Reclamation Society, Craterr, Moai Films

Writers: Jay Sherer & Nathan Scheck Directors: Jay Sherer & Lukas Colombo

Actors: Colleen Trusler, Kirk Bovill, Philip Shahbaz, Spencer Harrison Levin, Joni Bovill, Sam Schuder, Austin

Lynn Hall, and Ben Holtzmuller

Website: https://www.theharlequinmovie.com/ Social Media: @jaysherer @colleentrusler

NORITA

Block 15: 12:00 pm Running Time: 88 min



A woman's search for her missing son leads to the defeat of a military dictatorship and inspires a new generation of women to fight for their freedoms.

Producers: Sarah Schoellkopf, Jayson McNamara,

Francisco Villa, Melissa Daniels

Writers: Jayson McNamara & Andrea Tortonese Directors: Jayson McNamara & Andrea Tortonese

Website: www.noritafilm.com Social Media: @noritafilm

Country of Filming: Argentina

Nowhere Pie

Block 11: 4:00 pm Running Time: 10 min



A struggling musician stumbles upon a mysterious diner in "the middle of nowhere," where she is briefly reunited with someone from her past.

Producer: Lesette Maxwell Writer: Lauren Freedman Director: Lauren Freedman

Actors: Hannah Connally, Jason Pierce, Jennifer Ashe, Holly

Kiger

Social Media: @nowherepie

The Off Day

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 10 min



A couple tries to reconnect on their day off.

Producers: Sam Syrett & Kasey James

Writer: Sam Syrett Director: Sam Syrett

Actors: Jean Evans & Chandler Hancock

Social Media: @freyavefilms

Off to Battle

Block 24: 8:05 pm Running Time: 4 min



Two brothers sit for a portrait before heading off to the Civil War.

Producer: Charlie Fonville Writer: Charlie Fonville Director: Charlie Fonville

Actors: Jake Regal, Marwa Bernstein, Luke Matthew

Simon, Thomas Ashworth

Website: https://www.not-pictured.com/offtobattle

On the Boulevard

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 10 min



A down-on-his-luck gumshoe, a glamorous femme fatale, a no-nonsense bartender and a hardboiled detective come together in a sendup of a classic 40's film noir.

Producers: Jon Bangle, Andrew Pack, Charles Papert

Writer: Charles Papert Director: Charles Papert

Actor: Chris Marroy, Maggie Hernandez-McGovern, Brian

Durkin, Tracie Thoms

On the Streets of Willoughby

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 14 min



Washed-up detective Frank Falcon takes on the case of a missing boy, in this animated puppet Noir.

Producer: Travis Sheflin Writer: Travis Sheflin Director: Travis Sheflin Actor: Travis Sheflin

Social Media: @Mr.Sheflin

Once Upon a Time in the Apocalypse

Block 19: 8:00 pm Running Time: 21 min



On the aftermath of a nuclear war, totalitarian regimes disrupt world order.

Ernesto is hiding a secret, and when a government inspector shows up at his doorstep a cat and mouse game unfolds that can only end in tragedy.

A fable in times of war.

Producers: Miguel Munhá, Ana Sofia Nunes, Tiago

Pimentel, António Miguel Pereira

Writers: Tiago Pimentel & António Miguel Pereira

Director: Tiago Pimentel

Actors: Sérgio Godinho, Paulo Calatré, Mariana Pacheco

Social Media: @tiagojpimentel

Country of Filming: Portugal

One Note (図注)

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 13 min



A dark comedy about a neurotic but driven 17-year-old Chinese-American violinist on a mission to get admitted to Harvard at any cost.

Producer: Bo Butterworth Writer: Jamie Ting Director: Jamie Ting

Actors: Danielle Liu, Mardy Ma, Jack C. Huang, Mariana

Arôxa

Website: https://jamieting.com/film#/bone-noteb/

Social Media: @jamietingdirector

Out of Order

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 4 min



In this satire of French New Wave crime films, a stylish gangster goes about his daily routine -- from everyday errands to cold-blooded murder.

Producers: Catherine Mosier-Mills & Lushia Anson

Writer: Catherine Mosier-Mills Director: Catherine Mosier-Mills

Actors: Arden Lassalle, Katherine Rodriguez, Matthew Hawthorne, Robert Olsen, Samantha Dammeyer, Jasmine

Garcia, Lushia Anson

Website: www.outofordermovie.com

Out of the Ruin

Block 20: 6:00 pm Running Time: 18 min



Her husband in jail, Mandy Rawlins is without work, buried in debt, and barely hanging on, all while raising her thirteen-year-old daughter. In desperate need of quick money, she wades into the world of her husband's criminal past — a decision with deadly consequences.

Producers: Drew McCoy, Josh Hopkins, George Maranville

Writer: Drew McCoy Director: Ryan Seale

 ${\bf Actors:}\ {\bf Alexandra}\ {\bf Chando},\ {\bf Josh\ Hopkins},\ {\bf Graham\ Rogers},$

Rob Evors, Hadley McCoy

Social Media: @out_of_the_ruin

Palmdale

Block 17: 4:00 pm Running Time: 21 min



A teenage girl chooses to take matters into her own hands as an eviction looms over her family's trailer.

Producers: Lauren Moreno, Madison Fitts, Chelsea

Clark-James, Brandon Butler

Writers: Lauren Moreno & Madison Fitts

Director: Lauren Moreno

Actors: Isabelle Marchand, Giosué Bottini, Sage Kirkpatrick, Luke Stratte-McClure, Stacie Capone, Michael

Morano Russell Smith

Website: https://www.laurenmorenofilms.com Social Media: @laurenmorenofilms Papa's Corner

Block 11: 4:00 pm Running Time: 15 min



Jay Domingo, a 16-year old competitive speller, gets triggered by a word that the spelling bee judges present to him. This word forces Jay to confront an internal demon while all eyes are on him. We learn that this word is not just any word, but a word that resurrects a tragic memory—the day he lost his grandfather, his Papa.

Producers: Erik Luminarias & Regina Pigsley

Writer: A.J. Lising
Director: A.J. Lising

Actor: Erik Luminarias & Val Victa

Website:https://papascorner.allyrafundraising.com/?fbclid= PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAaa0cyRAI3xfCtAKI_hM27hA FjBwrTjgqAKpqJnxa3DpmoHx-284H8IWyiM_aem_RC-p_

CkofHf6A1LLxyaeTg
Social Media: @papascornerfilm

Pizza Time Pizza

Block 3: 7:45 pm Running Time: 7 min



Sean didn't want to consider the trajectory of his life or the infinite span of space and time. He just wanted a pizza.

Producer: Nicholas Thurkettle Writer: Nicholas Thurkettle Director: Nicholas Thurkettle

Actors: Patrick Peterson & Taylar Ann

Website: https://nicholasthurkettle.com/pizza-time-pizza/

Social Media: @nthurkettle

Please Send Help

Block 24: 8:05 pm Running Time: 20 min



Two brothers process a recent break-up.

Producer: Danny Corey Writer: Danny Corey Director: Danny Corey

Actors: Robert Malcolm Cumming, Scott Kruse, Miranada

Bake

 $\textbf{Website:} \ https://www.pleasesendhelpfilm.com/$

 ${\bf Social\ Media:\ @pleases endhelp_film}$

Power Trip

Block 16: 1:55pm Running Time: 71 min



Power Trip examines the rise in U.S. road crash deaths and the media culture around high-risk driving, including movies, video games, and car commercials that celebrate speed and aggression behind the wheel.

Producers: Michael Connelly, Theresa Snider, Rochelle

Widdowson

Writer: Myron Levin
Director: Myron Levin

Website: powertripfilm.com Social Media: @powertripfilm

Private i

Block 4: 2:05 pm **Running Time:** 16 min



A bellboy who uses his camera to spy on guests follows a mysterious woman with a dark secret, but he'll need to investigate himself first.

Producer: Tyler Kirkpatrick Writer: Evan Patrick Adams Director: Evan Patrick Adams

Actors: Taylor Petracek, Avrielle Corti, Geoffrey Davin

 $\textbf{Social Media:} @private_i_film$

Restraint

Block 8: 10:10 pm Running Time: 13 min



In a near future, two lab techs must use a memory-altering technology to rehabilitate a convicted murderer before it's too late.

Producer: Daniel Holland Writer: Maytal Zchut Director: Brandi Bradburn

Actors: Chelsea Gilligan, Connor Paolo, Courtney Dietz and

Spencer Daniels

Social Media: @restraint_the_film

Right to Privacy

Block 20: 6:00 pm Running Time: 12 min



After a women's health doctor has a charged encounter with a volatile protester, she faces a moral dilemma she could never imagine.

Producers: Nancy Nagrant, Saro Varjabedian, Rachel Mann, Josephine Cashman, Keaton Morris-Stan

Writer: Rachel Mann

Director: Julie Herlocker

Actors: Nancy Nagrant, Josephine Cashman, Xavier

Rodney, Marchelle Thurman, Sofia Goorno

Website:https://linktr.ee/righttoprivacyfilm Social Media: @righttoprivacyfilm

RIPPER WAS HERE

Block 8: 10:10 pm Running Time: 18 min



In 1961, recently declassified documents reveal American Astronaut Lt. RI Rippenkroeger beat the Cosmonauts into space by 71 days. Unfortunately, catastrophic events and a government cover-up sealed Rippenkroeger's mission forever from the history books, until now.

Producers: Josh Giroux, Barry O Donnell, Chris

Schieffelin, Joel Kazuo Knoernschild

Writer: Chris Scieffelin Director: Joel Kazuo Knoemschild

Actors: Billy Minshall, Travis Joe Dixon, Greg Lutz

Social Media: @ripperwasherefilm

Robert Shields: My Life as a Robot

Block 10: 2:00 pm Running Time: 87 min



"Robert Shields: My Life as a Robot" is a documentary that will make you believe that your actions can have an inspirational effect on so many lives - and you may not even be aware of it.

Producers: Christine Bonn & Mark Bonn

Writer: N/A

Director: Mark Bonn

Actors: Robert Shields, Lorene Yarnell, Tony Orlando, Mac

Davis, Joanna Cassidy

Website: mylifeasarobot.com Social Media: @rsmylifeasarobot The Rocket Man

Block 1: 3:15 pm Running Time: 18 min



It's a sad day when Benji (12) is forced to accompany his father to work. Luckily enough, his imagination provides him with plenty of entertainment, until he discovers an unsettling secret.

Producer: Laurence Cohen Writer: Laurence Cohen Director: Laurence Cohen

Actors: Connor Price, Samantha Somer-Wilson, John Boylan, Drew Nelson, Shawn Reynolds, Ingrid Haas

Website: auroralightworks.com Social Media:

Country of Filming: Canada

THE SACRED BEES

Block 4: 2:05 pm Running Time: 15 min



A caring man is finally forced to go out of his way to hunt down his love of life after her unbearable attitude switch and silent treatment...

Producer: Aproov Arora Writer: Kay Qiao Director: Kay Qiao

Actors: Shane Dorriz & Suvi Honkanen

Seasalter Road

Block 25: 4:00 pm Running Time: 15 min



When their mum passes away, Liam and Steph are forced to revisit the past – and their fractured relationship – as they make one last visit to their family home.

Producers: Julia Parlato & Mark Rush Writers: Julia Parlato & Mark Rush

Director: Will Kenning

Actors: Mark Rush, Julia Parlato, Monica Parlato, Will

Kenning, Rosie Akerman

Social Media: @seasalter.road

Country of Filimg: United Kingdom

Silent Cycle

Block 23: 6:00 pm Running Time: 21 min



A 12 year old girl must take a stand against her conservative grandmother when she is thrown out of a family ritual as soon as she gets her first period.

Producers: Kaartik Jain & Smahi Anand

Writer: Smahi Anand Director: Smahi Anand

Actors: Sunita Rajwar, Akshara Padwal, Gandhaali Jain,

Shaurya Sankhla

Website: www.smahianand.com Social Media: @silentcycle

Country of Filimg: India

Silhouette

Block 4: 2:05 pm Running Time: 12 min



When a successful lawyer goes missing in the night, her fiance must look for clues around her disappearance, but what he finds leaves him to question if he really knows her at

Producers: Hannah Elder, Melissa Daniels, Benjamin

Wiessner, Tina Carbone Writer: Lauren Finerman Director: Lauren Finerman

Actors: Hannah Elder, Will Madden, McKenna Ralston

Website: https://laurenfinerman.com/narrative

Social Media: @laurenfinerman

SIREN

Block 7: 8:10 pm Running Time: 11 min



Doom-scrolling on a Friday night, Rett is drawn by an enchanting blue light to his backyard pool, where his digital obsessions lead to a fatal encounter.

Producers: Nikhil Bhoplay & Ashley Angione **Writers:** Costantino Ciminiello & Ian A. Sproul

Director: Costantino Ciminiello

Actors: Zackary Stone, Ashley Angione, Victoria Simone

Website: www.zone6films.com/siren Social Media: @zone6films

Sleep

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 8 min



In the dead of night, a father attempts to comfort his child, who believes their deceased mother is tapping on the bedroom window.

Producers: Gabriella Graves, Logan Kishi

Writer: Logan Kishi Director: Logan Kishi

Actors: Tyler Tackett, Maya Manko

Social Media: @logankishi

Slurpee Trail

Block 24: 8:05 pm Running Time: 3 min



Two kids. One unexpected adventure.

Producers: Missy Greenberg & Jordan Skutar

Writer: Missy Greenberg
Director: Missy Greenberg

Solidão Feminina

Block 7: 8:10 pm Running Time: 3 min



Five women strip naked revealing the tragic reality of hundreds of other women. A monologue of abuse, betrayal and abandonment, but also of struggle, love and hope.

Producers: Rodrigo Brand & Patrícia Mattos

Writer: Rodrigo Brand Director: Rodrigo Brand

Actors: Bruna Cesário, Gabriela Garcia, Mara Uchoa,

Patrícia Matos, Stella de Paula

Country of Filming: Brazil

Stardust

Block 1: 3:15 pm Running Time: 14 min



In a quaint 1950s record shop on an unassuming day, it is announced over the radio that jazz legend Hoagy Carmichael has died, which leads to a violent bidding war over the last Hoagy album in the shop's possession. Richard, a loyal employee in his early 20s, tries to protect the album and the store as the patrons fight like animals over the last record.

Producer: Noah Semeria **Writer:** Cristian Bautista **Director:** Cristian Bautista

Actors: Jackson Leighton, Rex Strype, John Erickson, JT

Michael, and Auri Brown

Still

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 12 min



A despondent mother's reality crumbles as she faces the unthinkable. She struggles with a difficult reality and finds herself in a nightmarish, endless loop of pain.

Producers: Rakefet Abergel, Jory Weitz, Joel Zwick, Joseph

P. Stottmann

Writer: Rakefet Abergel Director: Rakefet Abergel

Social Media: @cyclamenfilms

Stone Garden

Block 11: 4:00 pm **Running Time:** 15 min



After running away from home, a young boy happens upon a mysterious stone garden. Through the help of the enigmatic Stone Witch, caretaker of the garden, he learns a painful lesson about regret, sacrifice and ultimately what it means to love and be loved.

Producers: Jacquelyn Ryan-Krichevsky, Bryan Bihari,

Alysha Haran Writer: Alysha Haran Director: Alysha Haran

Actors: Laurel Nicole Blairsden & Wilder Arlon

Social Media: @LostLightFilms

STUFFY

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 18 min



A young couple sets off in the middle of the night to bury their kid's stuffed bunny, because one of them is convinced that the stuffy is cursed.

Producers: Josh Adler & Sanjay Menon

Writer: Chris D'Alessandro Director: Dan Nicholls

Actors: Tanner Zerr & Alexa Morden

Website: https://vimeo.com/969225600/7f25dcb348 Social Media: @hardlyfamousproductions

Supplemental

Block 12: 6:00 pm Running Time: 32 min



An exclusive personal development boot camp promises to remake the lives of middle aged men in crisis. Doug joins the program in the hopes of getting over his divorce, only to fall prey to a nefarious artificial intelligence that specializes in manipulating insecure men.

Producer: Eric Fisher

Writers: Joseph Wesley, Rachel Kriegshauser, Eric Fisher

Director: Joseph Wesley

Actors: Ptolemy Slocum, Marcuis Harris, Laura Niemi

Social Media: @supplementalfilm

Country of Filming: Canada

Sweet Santa Barbara Brown

Block 20: 6:00 pm Running Time: 13 min



Four teammates confront the violent consequences of being black in America. Sweet Santa Barbara Brown is inspired by actual and uniquely American events.

Producers: Eric Dyson, Tony Gapastione, Solomon Hughes, Matthew Barnes, Oliver Mack Calhoun

Writer: Solomon Hughes Director: Eric Dyson

Social Media: @sweetsantabarbarabrown

Tacenda

Block 25: 4:00 pm Running Time: 16 min



College friends both have feelings for each other but are unable to express them.

Producers: Kevin Maxwell, Rita, and Luke Konopasky

Writers: Rita & Luke Konopasky
Directors: Rita & Luke Konopasky

Actors: Matt Davies-Morris & Grace Johnson

Website: www.sdgpictures.com/tacenda

Social Media: @sdgpictures

They Call Me The Tattoo Witch

Block 8: 10:10 pm Running Time: 14 min



In Hanoi, Vietnam, Tran Ngoc specializes in the rare and challenging art of tattooing over scars, confronting social stigma and empowering her clients to reclaim their bodies and stories.

Producer: Lindsay Nyman **Director:** Lindsay Nyman

Website: leadingwomanfilms.com Social Media: @leadingwomanfilms

Country of Filming: Vietnam

Those Other Days

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 14 min



2 years after a break up, a couple reunites for an evening that offers the potential to rekindle the former flame they had. Unfortunately, fire spreads quickly.

Producers: Matthew Rodgers, Ian B. Gibson, Cameron

Sonsini

Writer: Matthew Rodgers
Director: Cameron Sonsini

Actors: Dominique Rose & Matthew Rodgers

TIMEWRITER

Block 27: 8:00 pm Running Time: 26 min



"Timewriter" is a noir mystery thriller about a girl who attempts to prevent a murder in 1944 using a typewriter that's also a time machine.

Producers: Ryan Luevano & Julia Stier

Writer: Ryan Luevano Director: Ryan Luevano

Actors: Melany Smith & Jeff Black

Social Media: @timewriterthemovie

TIN TUNE

Block 16: 1:55pm Running Time: 11 min



Tiny intrepid Zip explores the corners of a long abandoned Victorian Nursery, playing with wind-up toys, tin soldiers, and rusty instruments until his movements draw unexpected attention from the curious creatures who live there.

Producer: Ron Hayes **Writer:** Carolyn Gair **Director:** Carolyn Gair

Website: https://www.rustniks.com/

Two Breaths

Block 20: 6:00 pm Running Time: 18 min



After a man-made disaster decimates an evergreen island, a stranded 11-year-old girl must find the tenacity to leave behind her home with the help of an unlikely friend.

Producers: Kateryna Kurganska, c Craig, Don John, Timur

Guseyno

Writer: Kateryna Kurganska Director: Kateryna Kurganska Ukrainian Dance Movie

Block 18: 6:00 pm Running Time: 18 min



After an audition goes awry, a professional

Ukrainian-American folk dancer, whose career was upended by war, tries to find a new sense of meaning by teaching at her spirited fathers folk dancing school in Hollywood. With his own major life change just around the corner, it is up to father and daughter to decide if the legacy of the school will live on as they find the power to perform one last dance.

Producers: Pietro Lorino Jr & Diana Dekajlo **Writers:** Roxy Toporowych & Piętro Lorino Jr.

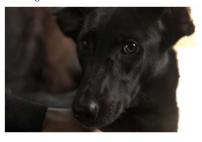
Director: Roxy Toporowych

Actors: Kayla Radomski & Zoran Radanovich

Website: www.roxytoporowych.com Social Media: @ukrainiandancemovie.com

Unconditional: Zahara's Journey

Block 1: 3:15 pm Running Time: 29 min



The story of an abused dog and the 3 women who selflessly gave her a new life.

Producers: Michale Gray, Troy Smith, Debbie Pearl

Writer: Troy Smith Director: Troy Smith

Country of Filming: USA/Egypt

Uno Y Medio Contra El Mundo

Block 18: 6:00 pm Running Time: 21 min



When danger forces Julián Cruz to flee Mexico for the U.S., he must overcome hardship and self-doubt to build a new home for his family.

Producers: Luis Estrada & James Valdez

Writer: Jacob Estrada

Director: Jacob Estrada

Actors: Angel Trinidad Rossell, Lucia Vico, Giovanni Navarro, Gabriela Machuca, Michael Calas

Website:

https://www.imdb.com/title/tt35886959/?ref_=ext_shr_lnk
Social Media: @unoymediocontraelmundo

Wabi-Sabi

Block 14: 10:05 pm Running Time: 19 min



When an insecure woman goes on a date at a traditional Japanese tea house, her best friend's advice about white guys with Asian fetishes threatens to ruin her love life and her sanity.

Producers: Josephine Green Zhang, Rachel Michiko Whitney, Jeff Mizushima, Michael Fry, Johnny Wei Zhang

Writer: Josephine Green Zhang Director: Josephine Green Zhang

Actors: Rachel Michiko Whitney, Josh Caras, Dana Donnelly, Teruko Nakajima, Haley Lohrli, Hymnson Chan,

Daisuke Tsuji

Website: https://www.wabisabithefilm.com/

Social Media: @wabisabithefilm

Waiting on You!

Block 5: 4:00 pm Running Time: 3 min



Jazzie experiences multiple failed meet cutes on her day out in LA. Just as she's about to give up on love, an unexpected twist of fate gives her hope in the possibilities of the future.

Producers: Jazzie Young & Tatum Bronte

Writer: Jazzie Young

Directors: Jazzie Young & Tatum Bronte

Actors: Jazzie Young, Charles Choi, Florian Gouello,

Syndie Mancini, Shelby Parks

Website:

https://youtu.be/MQps6M_87GY?si=Ipm6OXqNhAj-Dn1W

Social Media: @jazzieyoung

What Exists

Block 4: 2:05 pm Running Time: 16 min



When a brainy bride-to-be stalls her wedding ceremony, her loyal groom struggles to regain her love through a game of 20 questions.

Producers: Leilani Rosine, Alberta Kallon, and Jesse

Feldberg

Writer: Leilani Rosine Director: Alberta Kallon

Actors: Careem Joy, Leilani Rosine, & David Ladwig.

Website: https://lroselei.wixsite.com/whatexiststhefilm Social Media: @whatexiststhefilm @calibrfilms **Watching Walter**

Block 18: 6:00 pm Running Time: 17 min



Watching Walter is a a short film and proof of concept starring Stephen Tobolowsky (Hacks, Groundhog Day, Californication), and based on the true story of Holocaust survivor-turned-watchmaker Wladyslaw "Walter" Wojnas. It touches on the significant moments of his life, from being held captive in Nazi-occupied Poland in the late 1930s, to becoming a master watchmaker in the Philadelphia Jeweler's District. It's a story of triumph over tragedy, and is all too relevant in today's turbulent world climate.

Producers: Mitch Yapko, Mark Dylan Brown, Cynthia

Gravinese, Mark Aznavourian Writer: Mark Dylan Brown Director: Mitch Yapko

Actors: Stephen Tobolowsky, Gareth Williams, Andrew Elvis Miller, Benjamin Stockham and William Leon

Website: https://watchingwalter.com/ Social Media: @watchingwalterfilm,

What It's Like To Be Okay

Block 5: 4:00 pm Running Time: 19 min



When struggling actor Terry Moore puts his career before his family, he must find a way to make amends for his mistake and reconnect with his heartbroken daughter.

Producers: Dennis Staroselsky, Noah Bean, Veronica

Rutelidge

Writer: Dennis Staroselsky Director: Noah Bean

Actors: Dennis Staroselsky, Lyndsy Fonseca, Ashley Williams, Jared Littlejohn, Lauren Blumenfeld, and

Introducing Chiara Staroselsky

Social Media: @wiltbofilm

We Were Young

Block 2: 5:40 pm Running Time: 12 min



When Lydia's past reappears in the form of Mark, an old lover, she must navigate bittersweet memories and unresolved emotions to find closure and fully embrace her present life.

Producers: Roe Moore, Meagan Parker, Johny Walsh

Writer: Johny Walsh Director: Roe Moore

Actors: Johny Walsh & Patrick Cronen

Website: https://www.piepieproductions.net/we-were-young Social Media: @PiePieProd, @Johnythegirl, @Roe_Mo

What's This?

Block 13: 7:55 pm Running Time: 8 min



Sophia's struggle with kleptomania spirals into horror when a stolen package becomes a harbinger of doom, sealing her grisly fate and revealing the dark consequences of unchecked impulses.

Producers: John-Paul Panelli & Alexandria Greiling **Writers:** John-Paul Panelli & Alexandria Greiling

Director: Alexandria Greiling **Actor:** Kiki Valentine

Social Media: @visualrascal

When Everything Was Blue

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 13 min



A family navigates love, grief, and resilience amidst a father's 9/11 illness — all captured through the lens of a home video camera.

Producers: Bayan Joonam & Juan Sebastian Jaimes

Writers: Christina Chironna & Karl Janisse

Director: Christina Chironna

Actors: Bryant Carroll, Mel House, Logan Soland, Callie

Sarro, Lynden Miles Ley, Winnie Rose Noth

Website: https://www.wheneverythingwasblue.com Social Media: @wheneverythingwasbluefilm When The Clocks Stop

Block 19: 8:00 pm Running Time: 23 min



Love transcends so trust us and vote YES on the ""Soft Exit.""

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Producer: Brett Willis Writer: Brett Willis Director: Brett Willis

Actors: Eric Lutz, Angel Garet, Mary Garet, Luca Soleimanpour, Kara Soleimanpour, Leo Soliemanpour, Andrew Tamarkin, Seth Goodfellow, Carissa Tajudeen, Christopher Sánchez, Grant Merritt, Louie Espinosa, Jacklyn Dardarian, Priscilla Välldejuli, Danny Richmond, Miguel Rivermax, Sammy Elliot, Angie Xifaras, Jennifer Nicole Leon, William Murphy, Logan Saldana, Kevin Johnson While I'm Still Living

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 7 min



A father and son struggling with the trials and tribulations of Alzheimer's find connection and solace in an unlikely place.

Producers: Layla O'Shea, DeAnn Michelle SanVal, Dax

Campbell, Brent Mata

Writer: DeAnn Michelle SanVal

Director: Layla O'Shea

Actors: Dax Campbell, Eric Waterhouse, Alex Pires

Social Media:

https://www.facebook.com/WhileImStillLiving#

Why Are You Like This?

Block 17: 4:00 pm Running Time: 9 min



It's all fun and games... unless you're Kara.

Producers: Rose Grace & Nate Hapke Writers: Rose Grace & Nate Hapke

Director: Nate Hapke

Actors: Melanie Thompson, Marisa Hood, Nate Hapke, Shiva Ayama, Kelsey L. Moore, Javier Prusky, CB Mullen, Niya Wright, Daniel Koren, and Whitney Montgomery

Website: https://www.natehapke.com/whyareyoulikethis Social Media: @smalltallprod @n8hapke @rosemary_mary @melanieleethompson @marisahood YES

Block 24: 8:05 pm Running Time: 21 min



A young girl, unable to speak since losing both of her parents in a fire, is jolted out of her grief when she discovers an undocumented mother and daughter hiding in her backyard and must decide what to do. A moving tale of migration and human connection, told through the eyes of two eight-year-old girls.

Producer: Hollis Sherman-Pepe

Writer: Randi Barros Director: Randi Barros

Actors: Kira Guchko, Olivia London-Leyva, Brian DeMarco, Sarah Dickerson, Ale Cruz, Rochelle Vallese

Website: https://www.mariposamovies.com/yes

 $\textbf{Social Media:} @ yes_the shortfilm$

You're Next

Block 21: 8:05 pm Running Time: 9 min



When the need arises in the middle of the night, a free-thinking Lebanese woman rushes to the only open grocery store in her neighborhood. Here she finds her path to freedom, the last box of condoms, blocked by a bride on the verge of a nervous breakdown.

Producer: Aubrey Campbell Writer: Nissryne Dib Director: Nissryne Dib

Actors: Sima Ghaddar, Jamale Abou Hamad, Sam

Alsalman, Zareh Arevshatian

Your Promise

Block 26: 6:00 pm Running Time: 15 min



After a tragic school shooting, a 9-year-old David is given a second chance to revisit the living world. Through his journey, he faces the heartbreak left behind and understands the truth about love, loss, and promises that never truly break.

Producers: Charles Lai, Qi Hong Desmond Loh, Fernanda Zaragoza

Writers: Haoqian He & Ricardo Medina Directors: Haoqian He & Ricardo Medina

Actors: Carter Rockwood, Àngels Ratés, Brandon Modelo, Milo Borghello, Caroline Ashcroft, Hardia Madden

Website:

https://www.imdb.com/title/tt31691901/?ref_=pro_tt_visitcons

Social Media: @Yourpromisefilm

Zasady (The Rules)

Block 19: 8:00 pm Running Time: 11 min



In a dystopian world, what are the rules for survival?

Producers: Hollis Taylor, Amanda Renee Knox, Patricia Ingold, Marlin Sandlin, Ben Wilkins, Stella Valente, Judy

Collins, Danuta Hinc
Writer: Amanda Renee Knox
Director: Amanda Renee Knox

Actors: Taylor Owen, Danuta Hinc, Renata Dyhouse

Website:https://www.imdb.com/title/tt27384841/?ref_=nm_

flmg_job_1_cdt_t_1

Social Media: @zasady_therulesmovie





Written Official Selections



Adela by Paula Crichton (short screenplay)

Age of the Empath by Steve Brown (feature teleplay)

Alma's Will by Kelly Jean Karam (short screenplay/teleplay)

American Money by Timothy A. McGhee (Feature Screenplay)

Amira by Bob Celli (feature screenplay)

Borderline by Tony Lord and Jonathan Perkins (feature screenplay)

Borrowing Funny by Matt Wexler (feature stage play)

Chimera Club, The by Chuck Greaves (feature screenplay)

Devil You Know, The by Ed Vela (feature stage play)

El Vaquero by Dax Phelan (feature screenplay)

Gods of the Forgotten by Anthony McBride (feature screenplay)

Hear by Jacqueline Carla Abelson (feature screenplay)

Horror-fest by Bill Brock (feature screenplay)

I Am Cottonwood by Stephanie Hutchinson (feature stage play)

I am Superman by Kelli Musser (short screenplay/teleplay)

Iron Sky by Mike Caron (feature screenplay)

Kick Rocks by Peter Herlan (feature screenplay)

Let the Boy Sing by Gunnar Garrett (feature screenplay)

Made in Heaven by Steven Keith Bogart (feature stage play)

Madison Square Garden by Katarzyna Müller (short stage play)

No Choice by Suzanne Prescott (feature screenplay)

No Medals by Susan Rossi (feature screenplay)

October Falls by Gilbert Girion (short screenplay)

Oh, No! by Scott McKinney (feature screenplay)

Place Between Our Lives, The by Clay Callender, David Ellard (feature screenplay)

Precursor by Steve Brown (television script)

Sestra by Ali Jordan (feature screenplay)

Spirit Medium by Laurie Powers Going (feature stage play)

Tales of Dread Pirate Roberts, The by Mike Ede (feature teleplay)

Teller, The by Jordan Leigh Buster (feature screenplay)

The Disconnected by Richard Moon (feature screenplay)

Two Day Split by Gilbert Girion (feature screenplay)

We Don't Deserve to Be Here by John L Brooks II (feature screenplay)

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