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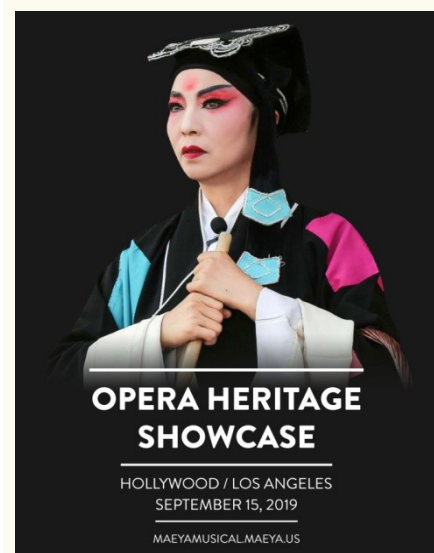
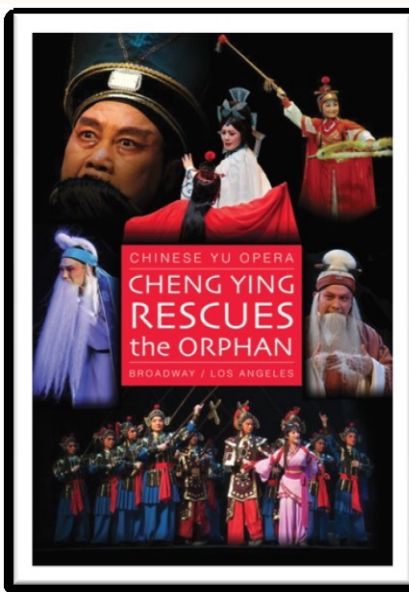
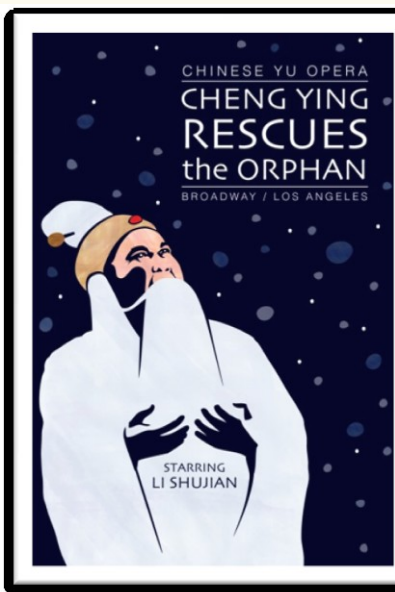
The **Maeya Culture Exchange Group LLC** provides a platform for different cultures to explore, share, and communicate with one another. Our purpose is to increase mutual understanding and appreciation between people from different cultures through education and culture exchange. The Economic globalization brings financial benefit; **Maeya Culture Exchange Group LLC** brings harmony through culture and art environment.

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As a cultural project management firm, Maeya Culture Exchange Group LLC produces and manages three international film festivals every year in the United States. One is the Universe Multicultural Film Festival that is held in Los Angeles every April, and the other is San Diego International Kids' Film Festival that is held in San Diego every September. Maeya's brand-new annual production is Epic ACG Fest that is held in Silicon Valley every November.



Maeya has many years of experience in the promotion and distribution of family-friendly films, Both in the U.S. and in China. As of to date, Maeya has the distribution rights of 63 films imported from China. All of the films have been promoted through participation in various film festivals.



In February 2013, Maeya proudly presented Cheng Ying Rescues the Orphan, Maeya's first theater production at Studio 54 Theater in New York's Broadway as well as at the Warner Grand Theater in Los Angeles. On October 18, 2016, Maeya present this Chinese Yu Opera, for the first time, at Dolby Theatre in Hollywood, the home of Academy Awards.



*Welcome Letter from
Executive Director
Lynn Tang*

Dear SDIKFF attendees,

It is with great pleasure and honor that we present the 2020 San Diego International Kids' Film Festival (SDIKFF) online in Winter 2020. The screenings and events at this year's festival are, as always, promoting the idea of entertainment with education.

This year, attendees could choose to view 143 unique films from 24 plus countries ranging from features to shorts, from documentaries to animation, from the silly to the sublime. You could also participate in industry panels and workshops and engage film Q&As, hosted film receptions and galas, plus the real people action show "Screenplay Showcase".

This year is our 10th year to screen films from China at our festival. A privileged Chinese film delegation will attend the 2020 SDIKFF. This collaboration has proven to be an effective way for filmmaking communities to inspire and learn from each other. The high-quality Chinese family and children films have served as entertainment and education for our audience.

The SDIKFF provides a platform that allows for freely sharing your views and ideas with those who take part in the same ideals of entertainment and stimulation of all ages through cinematic stories.

On behalf of the SDIKFF committee, we thank you for being a part of our festival in sunny San Diego. I sincerely thank for sponsors, supporters, volunteers who make this event possible.

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Greetings!

A huge welcome to all attendees of the 2020 San Diego International Kids' Film Festival! We're proud to host this year's festival and bring a wide range of cultures together to see what we all have in common as well as what makes our life experiences different.

The film is a universal language that transcends barriers of age and culture. The power of story and images can be immediately felt by both young and old, no matter what country you call home. And since we have all been kids at one time or another, we can easily relate to all of these films.

This weekend we celebrate this powerful art form, as well as what we all share in common when the lights dim and the show begins. I hope you will not only enjoy the films we have to share but join us for our enjoyable social gatherings and educational panel presentations. See you there!



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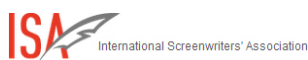
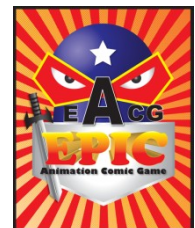


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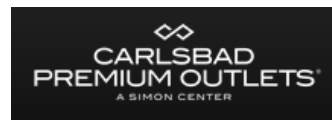
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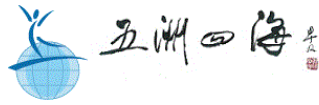
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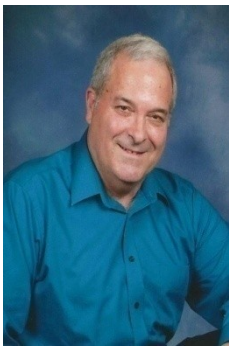
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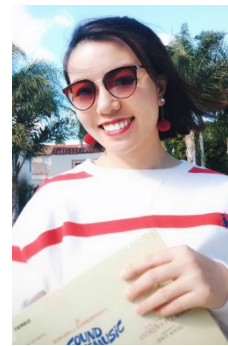
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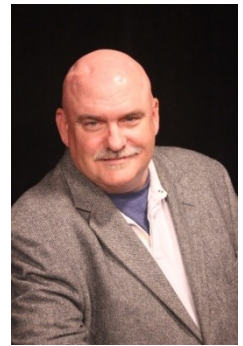
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KIDS-MADE FILMS



100% GIRL

Taiwan | 4min Children-Made | Animation

Director: Chen Liangyu

The difference between men and women creates the most difficult battlefield in the world. Magical kitchen appliances try to do a little magic to fight for peaceful and sweet life.



ALIEN

Hong Kong | 3min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Ip Kan Chan, Hong Yu Lai, Nok Man Wong, Wai Ho Yeung

An alien is on the way home, but his spaceship has no enough energy, so he lands on a planet. After that, he found that he can charge the battery by using the cakes energy, so he charge his spaceship. Suddenly he meet a boy, and he is the owner of all houses in this planet..

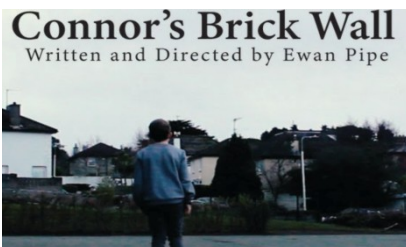


AN UNUSUAL SUNDAY

United States | 3min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Abhi Sukhdial

A dance-loving, TV-binging robot, Detective Sphero, is called in on his day off to solve a very strange crime.



Connor's Brick Wall

Written and Directed by Ewan Pipe

CONNOR'S BRICK WALL

Ireland | 9min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Ewan Pipe

From the award-winning director and screenwriter of What Archie Did comes Connor's Brick Wall. In this all-new drama, Connor, a twelve-year-old boy, is being bullied by his peers. He is depressed and lonely and no one will listen to him. Suddenly, Connor hits tragedy and his world turns upside down. Can Connor resolve the situation? And what is it that causes Connor so much pain?

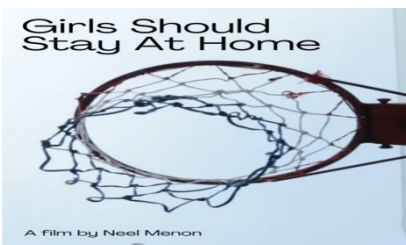


CUTIE AND LYLA

United States | 2 min Children-Made | Drama

Director: April Yu

This is a 3 kids' adventure story. :)

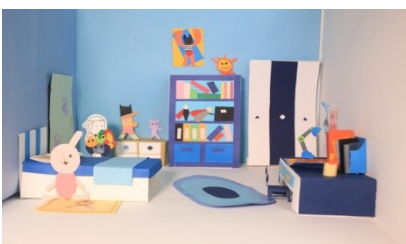


GIRLS SHOULD STAY AT HOME

India | 10min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Neel Menon

A look at how 3 women in Mumbai, India have battled adversity to hold their own.



GO GO MASK GIRL

Taiwan | 10min Children-Made | Animation

Director: Public Television Service Taiwan

Adults are used to hiding themselves behind different masks when facing different people. They pretend to be nice to the people they don't like; they set different standards for themselves and others; they treat children from other families better... What will happen if kids put on their parent's masks? Is it necessary for everyone to live with masks?



FILMS MADE BY KIDS



I AM DANIEL, MY FIRST 11 YEARS

United States | 11min Children-Made | Documentary

Director: Daniel Gatto

A comical documentary of my first 11 years of life

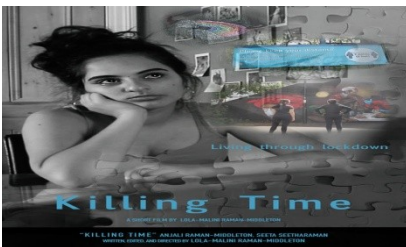


INVISIBLE INK

United States | 6min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Logan Marber

When Emma has her friend over for a sleepover, they play with an invisible ink pen. Through a magical spell, the girl they draw with the pen comes to life and haunts Emma's family. Emma is annoyed with her sister for being so dramatic and thinks she is lying about what she saw.

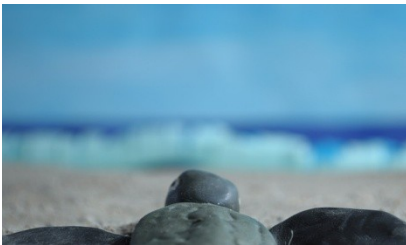


KILLING TIME

United Kingdom | 10min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Lola-Malini Raman-Middleton

British Indian family experiencing the Covid-19 lockdown.



MIRACLE JOURNEY OF XI-LIANG-LIANG

Taiwan | 10min Children-Made | Documentary

Director: Public Television Service Taiwan

A beach scattered with marine litter is the favorite playground for some baby sea turtles. A sea turtle named Liang-Liang got caught by a bird. To rescue his best friend, Xi-Liang-Liang rushes to the deep sea. Does Xi-Liang-Liang know that he's about to embark on an adventure to an extremely dangerous world? Can Liang-Liang safely get back to his best friend? Let's find out more.



MOBILE FOLKTALES

Taiwan | 10min Children-Made | Animation

Director: Public Television Service Taiwan

For five days a year, it seems that the Heaven sends down many magnificent story floats to our town to parade. There are fairies, even ancient historical figures, as if they travel though time and space. Each story float showcases a folktale of merits, just like a moving story book. What's more, it's raining candy during the parade!

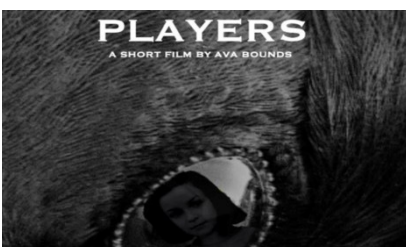


MONSTER IN THE UNDERGROUND PIPELINE

Taiwan | 10min Children-Made | Animation

Director: Public Television Service Taiwan

A monster wanders into an amusement park. The magician discovers that the monster's fart can be used for floating balloon, so he hides the monster in the underground pipeline and exploits it for making balloons. However, the monster is getting bigger and bigger, and the pipeline can no longer hold it...



PLAYERS

United Kingdom | 3min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Ava Bounds

A special girl, a cigar box, a dead bird. Today Thea adds a new player to her collection.



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FILMS MADE BY KIDS



ROGER THE CAT

United States | 3min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Audrey Guerrero

When a mysterious cat appears, Roger learns to believe in himself.



RUNAWAY

United States | 7min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Michelle Tang

Jackie is going to run away from home. She plans for everything. Well, almost everything...



THE BOX

United States | 2min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Toko Ryu

The Box is a short story about a girl, who is running down the street, when she sees a small gray box. She decides to pick it up, takes it home and opens it, then...



THE BUTLER AND THE BALL

Canada | 12min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Andrew Chan-Possemato

An urban fairy tale about a lonely boy who enters a contest to become the new butler of a grieving, reclusive singer; the first film by eight-year-old writer/director Andrew Chan-Possemato.



THE COSMOSPENGUIN IN THE OPERA

Austria | 10 min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Ava Bounds

On the planet Jupiter exist neither opera house nor opera singer! On planet Earth are many opera houses and opera singers in overabundance. Many are no longer needed. The Cosmospenguin loves the opera and wants to help the opera singers who were kicked out. He comes to Earth. Will the Cosmospenguin manage to build an opera and win singers for Opera in Jupiter?



THE ESCORT

United Kingdom | 6min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Ava Bounds

In a landscape where global warming is having severe detrimental effects around the world, a man is returning to his daughter with her medicine undetected until he meets a companion on his journey with disastrous consequences.



THE LOST ADVENTURE IN A CLAW MACHINE

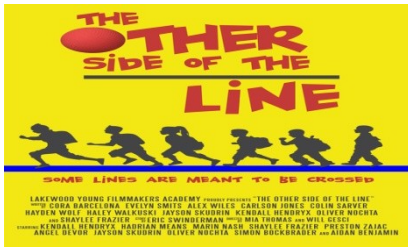
Taiwan | 10min Children-Made | Documentary

Director: Public Television Service Taiwan

Claw machine are super popular in Taiwan. So many young people, kids and their parents, and even their grandparents, are obsessed with claw machines. Why do players keep feeding the claw machines with coins hoping to win the prize they do not really need? We decided to explore the black magic of claw machine fever first-handed at our own risk of becoming claw machine addicts.



FILMS MADE BY KIDS



THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LINE

United States | 9min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Mia Thomas, Will Gesci

An allegory about racism and prejudice told through the lens of a children's fairy tale. Based on a short story, The Other Side of the Line was adapted for the screen, shot and edited by kids ages 8-17 at Lakewood Young Filmmakers Academy and tells the tale of two neighboring towns separated by a blue line that no one ever dares to cross. Until the children of the feuding towns change all of that forever.



THE QUARANTINE RAG

United States | 1min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Charlotte Quintanar

In a world where nothing is normal, a young girl finds herself in the midst of a battle between order and chaos. This joyful film gives us a look into what it's like to be a kid during a global pandemic, and their resilience to overcome any foe.



THE SECRET OF THE RAINFOREST

Denmark | 16min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Rikke Hallund

The story is based on an old myth telling the story about the birth of the world's largest river - the Amazon river. This movie is made together with kids from the Kukama tribe in Santo Tomas in Peru.

The issues are all presented through a stop-motion, paper style of animation.



VOODOO

United States | 2min Children-Made | Drama

Director: Audrey Linh Thacher

A greedy boy refuses to share his Cafe du Monde beignets with his sister and suffers the consequences in Voodoo City.

FILMS MADE BY YOUTH

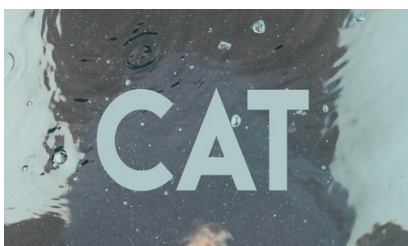


A SHOT IN THE DARK

United States | 6 min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Douglas Kerner

A convenience store in the middle of the night. 3 locations, 5 characters. Gideon, Louise, Indy and Russell, Amelia. She is interrupted by their exit from the store. All hell breaks loose when the brothers are faced with not only a car thief, but a cop as well.



CAT

United States | 5min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Madeleine White

Arriving home the morning after missing his daughter's birthday, a functioning alcoholic dad runs over the family cat. In an attempt to hide it in the backyard he finds him self drowning in the pool. From his perspective at the bottom of the pool, he watches the last minutes of his life unfold.



FILMS MADE BY YOUTH



CLOSED LOOP

United States | 3min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Daniel M. Cashdan III

Closed Loop is a short, animated PSA meant to spread awareness on environmental issues. Starting with the problem of excess pollution created by energy production, specifically coal, the movie moves to the issue of the lack of clean energy alternatives. From there, focus shifts to the global problem of trash ending up in the oceans and how this contributes to micro-plastics getting eaten by aquatic life.



ELSAGATE

United States | 9 min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Julian Green

This disturbing and humorous documentary short explores the phenomenon of Elsagate, a 2017 YouTube Kids controversy. Some material may not be appropriate for children, but then again, that's the point.



JUST DESSERTS

United States | 3min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Veronica Tullo

When Emma has her friend over for a sleepover, they play with an invisible ink pen. Through a magical spell, the girl they draw with the pen comes to life and haunts Emma's family. Emma is annoyed with her sister for being so dramatic and thinks she is lying about what she saw.

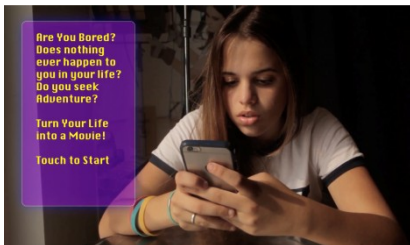


MISSPERCEPTION

United States | 66min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Conner Kershaw, Ryan Sadaghiani, Camden Coburn

When Emma has her friend over for a sleepover, they play with an invisible ink pen. Through a magical spell, the girl they draw with the pen comes to life and haunts Emma's family. Emma is annoyed with her sister for being so dramatic and thinks she is lying about what she saw.



MOVIE MAYHEM

United States | 5min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Daehoon Chung

A bored girl downloads an app on her phone that allows her to control the genre of the film she is in.

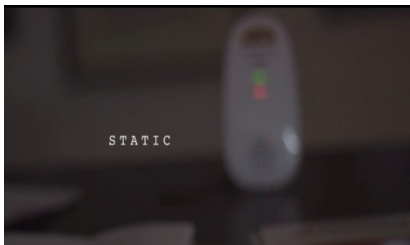


PENCIL

Hong Kong | 2min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Chun Pong Yu, Weng I Lau, Kam Hung Lee

This animation is going to talk about there was a class of pencils to draw the paintings, and suddenly rubbed the rubber into the classroom, and the pencil saw the rubbing glue and tied it to the smile channel. Rubbing the rubber paintings of the paintings, the paintings are all rubbed, and the pencils are tied to the smile channel. Suddenly rubbing the rubber think of some methods. Finally, the pencil and eraser became a friend.



STATIC

United States | 5min Youth-Made | Drama

Director: Jackson Little

A businessman under pressure working at home, finds himself facing a series of strange occurrences while waiting for his wife to come home.



“Shan-Hai-Jing” Animation



The sun's black hole is abrupt,! The gods in charge of the five major states and the 18 ocean& rivers convened an emergency meeting to develop a rescue plan

<http://lbwtech.com/shanhaijing/Eproject.html>



SHORT FILMS



A RAINY DAY

Korea | 23min Short | Drama
Director: Sunwoo Bak



AMAZING KIDS – IN THEIR OWN WORDS

United Kingdom | 6min Short | Drama
Director: Alexander Amelines
 Children from different backgrounds share their unique experiences of the autistic spectrum in their own words.



AURORA

United States | 6min Short | Drama
Director: Jo Meuris
 Once upon a time, there was a little girl who fell in love with a beautiful horse named Aurora... Expressively animated in a naive drawing-style that evokes children's drawings and the texture of storybook illustrations, Aurora is a bittersweet story about love, friendship, and growing up.



BANANA GIRL

United States | 7min Short | Drama
Director: Shayna Connelly
 Seven-year-old Bananas Girl asserts her independence, perfects the art of the non-sequitur and navigates the boundaries between herself and her mom. The film exists in the intersection of home movies, performance art and documentary, incorporating a mother's and daughter's obsessions and their parallel views of what it means to be creative.



BLACK COFFEE & WHITE CHOCOLATE

United States | 6min Short | Drama
Director: Raphael Kolacz
 A blind kid having a dinner with his father. An otherwise uninteresting dinnertime conversation turns into a profound reflection on racism when the kids asks him why he can't taste colors.



BLOOD SISTERS

United States | 12min Short | Drama
Director: Joshua M. Thomas
 A couple rebuilds their family. Now, they've got to figure out how to keep them fed.



CLEMENTINE

United States | 11min Short | Drama
Director: Asali Echols
 She robbed a bank but stole their hearts.



SHORT FILMS



CRAMMING

United States | 15min Short | Drama

Director: Dan Perlman

Close friends Alex and Yan Bo, eighth graders, cram for a test in a prestigious prep school. Once they're accused of cheating off of one another, their friendship is threatened.



DAISY

United States | 10min Short | Drama

Director: Tom Weston

George uses magic to help a young child named Daisy become the most popular girl in school.



DÍA DE LAS CARPAS

United States | 15min Short | Drama

Director: João Dall'Stella

A little girl escapes deportation by becoming a mermaid. After an immigration raid in their apartment building, a group of boys help an undocumented girl get to the beach to reunite with her family, unaware that their new friend has a magical secret that will change their lives forever.

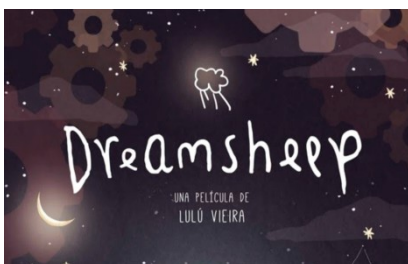


DOLIUM PÉPLUM

France | 9min Short | Adventure

Director: Théo Nodet

The director grew up in a Wine Estate, in the South of France. His garden was hectares of vineyards and woods. With his playmates, they invented, as all children do, scenarios worthy of the greatest peplums.

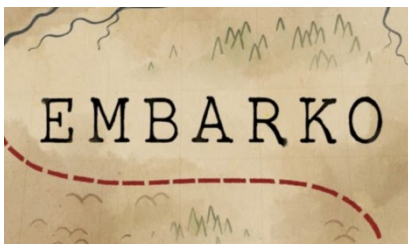


DREAMSHEEP

Colombia | 9min Short | Drama

Director: Lulú Vieira

Emma, a 6-year-old girl, gets up one morning and discovers that a sheep has escaped from her dreams and is jumping on her bed. Emma and the sheep become great friends and spend the days playing, while they ignore that everything around them has been changing since the day the sheep arrived. Emma will have to discover a way to find the planet where the sheep lives and the dreams are born, to try to get everything back to normal.

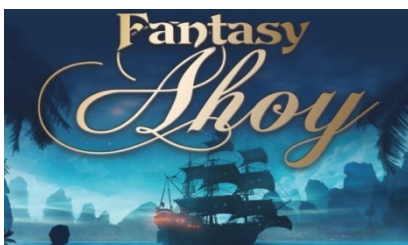


EMBARKO

United States | 9min Short | Drama

Director: Kai Lee Hague

When two delivery dogs on a job discover buried treasure in the mountains, their conflicting interests lead to dire consequences.



FANTASY A'HOY

United States | 14min Short | Drama

Director: Avery Christmas

Royalty meets scurvy.



SHORT FILMS



FRIENDS

Russian Federation | 15min Short | Drama

Director: Tatiana Ivashkina

One day, on New Year's Eve, two friends - first-graders Natasha and Anya - get acquainted with Nura and (against Anin's will) take her into their company. From this moment on, lives of that three friends are inseparably linked. Together they grow up, revolt and cheat



GABRIELLE

United States | 14min Short | Drama

Director: Nicola Rose

When 13-year-old Gabrielle signs up for ballet, she encounters bullying from her teacher — and true friendship where she least expects it. A story about overcoming bullying, body image, friendship and knowing your worth.

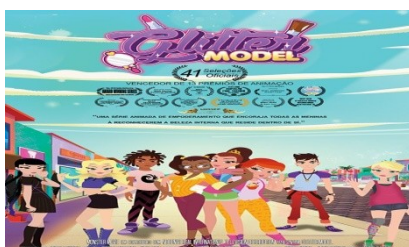


GAMEBOY

United States | 8min Short | Drama

Director: Stephen Burhoe

Jason must talk his video game obsessed brother out of running away from home, by showing him the futility of his position.

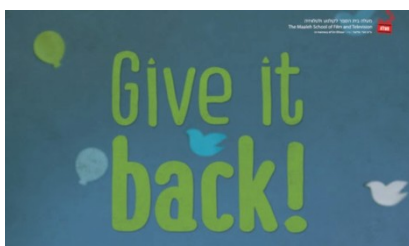


GLITTER MODEL - SEASON 3

Brazil | 24min Short | Animation

Director: Angelo Nunes

Clara, the main character, is discovered by Jonathan, a Model Scout and the girl who was bullied at school with nicknames like "Tall Clumsy Giraffe", will discover her potential and become a beautiful model, part of the biggest model agency in town: Glitter Model.



GIVE IT BACK

Israel | 15min Short | Drama

Director: Ruchama Ehrenhalt

Olivia is a 12-year-old immigrant from New York. She is trying to find her place in the new world she just landed in, Israeli society. Instantly she connects with Alem, an Ethiopian boy who sits next to her in class. It doesn't take long for her to realize that their friendship is social suicide. This is a story about alienation, friendship and home.

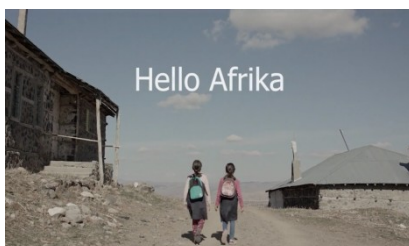


GRANDMA'S SECRET

Germany | 15min Short | Drama

Director: Lydia Bruna

Lisa is at her grannys like she is every friday. But today everything is different - Granny is behaving weird and does the strangest things! Lisa hears her parents discussing what could be wrong with granny and as they mention an old people home, she starts really worrying.



HELLO, AFRICA

Turkey | 13min Short | Drama

Director: Hasan Serin

Esma and Serpil are two little girls who are at the age of eight-nine, living in a village of Bingöl, a province in Eastern Anatolia. Serpil likes to read books and Esma is very much keen on drawing pictures while listening to the stories in the books that Serpil reads to her. They buy the book of Jules Verne "Five Weeks with The Balloon".





SHORT FILMS



I WANNA BE AN EAGLE

United States | 4min Short | Drama

Director: Joe Petrucelli, Mark Simon:

Petronia, a young, musical, anthropomorphic sparrow in the big city, dreams and sings about being an eagle. From soaring over the majestic mountains to flying through the streets of New York, we fly with her and experience the freedom and fame of being an eagle until she wakes from her glorious dream.



IN THE FOREST, WE GREW

United States | 6min Short | Drama

Director: Vincy Guan, Sunnie Moon

Two red pandas, Chi and Hyun, set off to build their dream house together in a bamboo forest, only to find their differences putting their relationship under strain. "In The Forest, We Grew" is a group project by Sunnie Moon and Vincy Guan.

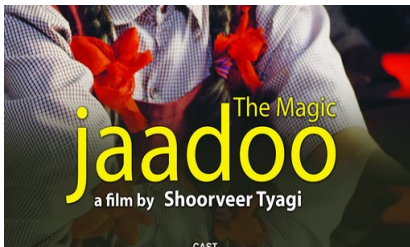


IN THIS LAND WE'RE BRIEFLY GHOSTS

Myanmar | 16min Short | Drama

Director: Chen-Wen Lo

Myanmar, 2013. Based on actual events, this human tragedy follows a 12-year-old child soldier, Su Su Myat, and her mute brother, Tin Min, who are imprisoned after deserting their first combat mission. Punished with no food or water, Su Su Myat is forced to choose between killing her seriously ill brother for her own survival, or risk dying with him.



JAADOO(THE MAGIC)

India | 38min Short | Drama

Director: Shoorveer Tyagi

Tvisha and Bhakti study in a remote village school. Every day for some reason they end up being punished and are thrown out of their classrooms. While, Younger Tvisha is chirpy, brimming with energy; Bhakti is gloomy & shy. As they gradually discover friendship outside the classroom, somewhere inside the forest, Bhakti has a secret little place.

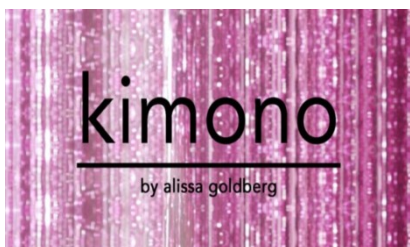


KAPAEMAHU

United States | 9min Short | Animation

Director: Hinalimoana Wong-Kalu, Dean Hamer, Joe Wilson

Kapaemahu reveals the healing power of four mysterious stones on Waikiki Beach – and the legendary transgender spirits within them. Long ago, four extraordinary individuals of dual male and female spirit brought the healing arts from Tahiti to Hawaii.



KIMONO

United States | 9min Short | Drama

Director: Alissa Goldberg

Cousins Emma (Caucasian) and Maya (half Japanese half Caucasian) are best friends in their 3rd grade class, but tensions rise when they both want to wear the kimono in their school's Around The World Fashion Show. Tired of being bullied, Maya unexpectedly claims the kimono for herself. To Emma, this is the greatest betrayal, and she reveals that she is jealous of the attention her cousin receives for being different.



LAPIS DE LUMINE

United States | 8min Short | Animation

Director: Kalee DeHamer

A young herbalist sets out on her own to take up the family business with the help of a magical family heirloom. When the necklace is stolen, she gives chase, but what she finds at the end of her pursuit is not what she was expecting...is she prepared to handle it?



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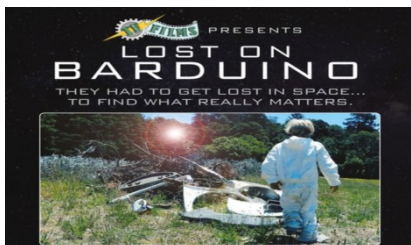


LEMONADE

United States | 7min Short | Drama

Director: Brannon Smithwick

A young girl grows frustrated when her rural lemonade stands lacks customers, prompting her search for other adventures.



LOST ON BARDUINO

United States | 14min Short | Drama

Director: Asali Echols

They had to get lost in space...to find what really matters.



LUCKY

United States | 7min Short | Drama

Director: Alexis Wong

When MingMing feels insecure about moving into a new neighborhood, she finds a friend in a huge but playful Chinese Lion.

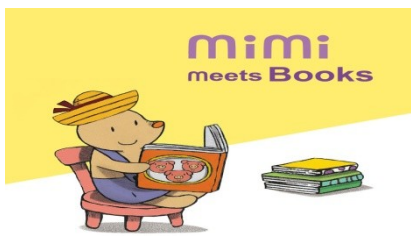


LUZ

France | 8min Short | Drama

Director: John Banana

Problems can cloud your vision, but the key to Cloudia's happiness may be right under her nose.



MIMI MEETS BOOKS

Taiwan | 7min Short | Drama

Director: Yih-Fen Chou

Warmly presents how Mimi meets and falls in love with books.

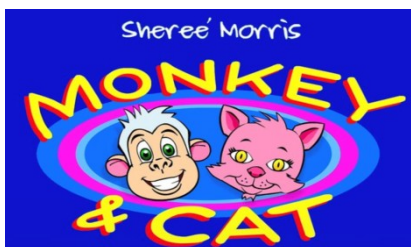


MISTER MONSTER

China | 7min Short | Drama

Director: Guo Site

Mr. Monster lives a lonely life away from the town with his only friend, the Mysterious, who grew up with him happily and peacefully. Until one day the Mysterious causes some trouble and makes Mr. Monster embarrassed in front of everyone and trapped in horrible nightmare.



MONKEY & CAT

United States | 14min Short | Drama

Director: Artie Romero

Everybody wants milk! In the first Monkey & Cat animated adventure, M&C discover that there are no bananas and there's no milk in the house. On their way to the grocery store they befriend Benny the boxer, who's a blind seeing eye dog, his master Lucas and then encounter a variety of pint-sized antagonists.



SHORT FILMS



MY TAGALONG

Canada | 7min Short | Drama

Director: Jerry WANG

Synopsis:

A story about two Gemini brothers' journey on the earth. The Older brother wants to enjoy the trip himself, but his younger brother always follows him and makes a lot of troubles.

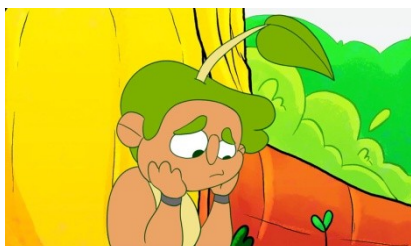


NO KIDding: MY little World

Taiwan | 13min Short | Documentary

Director: Chiang Chih-Chen, Hsieh Chia-Ling

Twelve-year-old Wu Yu-Yan suffers from achondroplasia and is only 101 cm in height. But this doesn't discourage her. She has no time for self-pity and loves to dance and show her body with confidence. She wants to prove that she's not different from anyone else other than her height, and to encourage other children with rare diseases to pursue their dreams.



OLIVE AND THE BLOOM

United States | 4 min Short | Animation

Director: Meredith Kesh

Olive, the youngest leaf in a community of plant women, struggles with blooming her very first flower. Anxious and unsure, she'll have to gain some confidence in her abilities if she ever wants to bloom, especially as her overenthusiastic guardians attempt to help in their own... unique ways.



ON/OFF

United States | 7min Short | Animation

Director: Nicolas P. Villarreal

Endless distractions threaten to destroy creativity.



RED BALLOON

Canada | 10min Short | Drama

Director: Avi Federgrew

A devoted father overcome with despair over his young son's illness learns that true freedom comes from love and letting go.



RETIREMENT

United States | 16min Short | Drama

Director: Joshua M. Thomas

What happened to Delilah McDonald?



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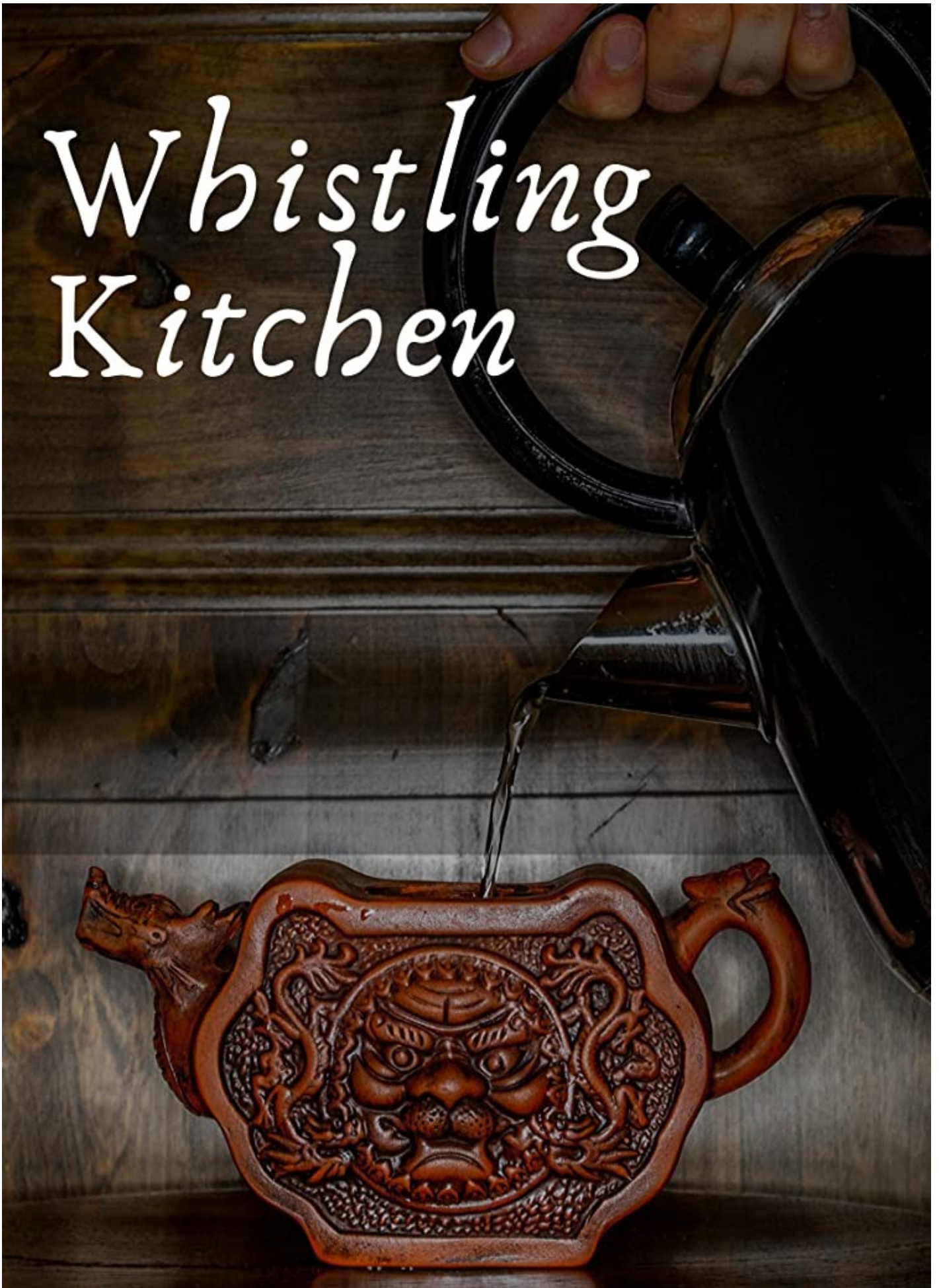
China | 13min Short | Drama

Director: Ke Ma

The Qin army surrounded Zhao, and the Emperor Zhao went to Chu for help. A man named Mao Sui offered to go to Chu State with Emperor Zhao for help, and successfully persuaded the Chu Emperor to help Zhao defeat Qin.



Whistling Kitchen





SHORT FILMS



SHE WHO WEARS THE RAIN

Canada | 17min Short | Drama

Director: Marianne Métivier

After a difficult visit at her dying father, Agnes decides to escape to a pension in the forest. Immersed in a world that wavers between reality and dream, Agnes will have to confront her mourning.

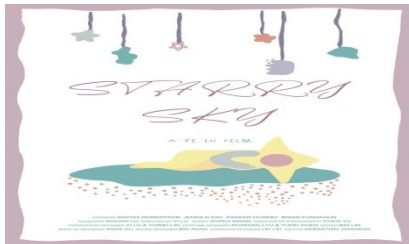


SLOTTER ROOM

United States | 11min Short | Drama

Director: Yi Lu

They thought it was abandoned. They were wrong.



STARRY SKY

United States | 11min Short | Drama

Director: Yi Lu

An indigo child full of whimsy, trying to convey her uniqueness to her mother.



STRANGER DREAMS

United States | 5min Short | Drama

Director: Yu Wei Lin

Everyone dreams. Among all the dreams, nightmares are the most uncomfortable ones. There are three nightmares in the story: The fear and darkness of a certain space; the fear of death in a touchable reality; the fear of invisible things that happen in life.



SUPERZERO

United States | 6min Short | Drama

Director: Joanthony Jimenez

A washed-up actor meets his last and only fan, a naive boy named Charlie, who thinks he's the actual superhero Captain Dynamic portrayed in the popular TV show. What lengths is he willing to go to keep his stardom?



TALIA

United States | 10min Short | Drama

Director: Cara Bamford

Talia loves nature. Endlessly curious, she finds new ways to slip out of the house - pushing her boundaries to explore the world beyond her front garden. Caught out on her latest adventure; her father forbids her to leave the house without his permission. Lonely and bored, Talia soon discovers that the lady next door shares her curiosity for the wilderness through her beautiful garden.



THE DREAM FACTORY

Canada | 20min Short | Drama

Director: Michal Pinsky

Ben is a technical illustrator who spends his days drawing nuts and bolts and his nights painting colors and dreams. His ambition to publish his comic book meets with frustration and failure until his little daughter, Maya, takes him on a magical journey to the sinister interiors of his own creation —the Dream Factory.



SHORT FILMS



THE MCGUFFIN

United States | 14min Short | Drama

Director: Avery Christmas

The world's most powerful superheroes go in search for the ultimate prize.



THE MUSHROOM HUNTRESS

United States | 11min Short | Drama

Director: Jim Picariello

After Leigh is cut off from her cold, wealthy mother, and witnesses the arrest of her loving-yet-scheming father, she attempts to support herself by capitalizing on her love of wild mushrooms. But while foraging along the forest floor she discovers a shocking family secret.



THE PEAK

Japan | 6min Short | Drama

Director: Mayumi Tachikawa

In the middle of the night... Sarah wakes up as she wants to go to the bathroom. As she leaves her room, she finds herself alone in the dark hallway, and it is really creepy. Even the toys she left out look totally different from how they looked during the day. Sarah finally pulls herself together and starts to move forward, with her animal doll friend named Steven, who's got a shiny nose to show her way, but – she trips!



THE SHALLOW END

United States | 11min Short | Drama

Director: Cynthia Silver

A group of teenaged girls jockey for power in the savage summer society of a community swimming pool during the summer of 1984.



THE SPAGHETTI MONSTER

United States | 13min Short | Drama

Director: Joshua M. Thomas

Trespassing can be deadly.



THE SPEECH

United States | 25min Short | Drama

Director: Haohao Yan

May 2003, Beijing, China. Under the pressure of WHO, the Chinese government announced that the SARS (Severe acute respiratory syndrome) outbreak is real. The city is closed. Most students have been sent home. During a lockdown inside a private boarding school, three eight-year-old girls have to find a way to make sense of the world.



THE TATTOOED TORAH

United States | 22min Short | Drama

Director: Marc Bennett

Over the last three decades, the beloved children's book by Marvell Ginsburg, "The Tattooed Torah," has been a powerful resource for Holocaust education for children all over the world.

An animated film based on the renowned children's book that has been educating young children about the Holocaust for generations.

Narrated by Ed Asner



SHORT FILMS



THE TREFLIK FAMILY

Poland | 9min Short | Drama

Director: Marek Skrobecki

In every episode, singing and dancing Trefliks take children on a new adventure into the world of imagination. This seemingly ordinary family live in a small house. One day a mysterious guest – Little Uncle – pays them a visit. He has magical powers and is invisible to adults. Since then, he accompanies children - 4-year old Treflik and 6-year old Treflinka in their daily activities.



THREE MOVES BY MENCIUS' MOTHER

China | 13min Short | Drama

Director: Ke Ma

In order to offer his children the best education environment, Mencius' mother took great pains to move between three places for twice. Later, Mencius succeeded in becoming a great scholar.



TIME OF DEATH

United States | 2min Short | Animation

Director: Howard Kung

A young boy makes a new friend in the last moments of his life.



WEDNESDAY

Canada | 10min Short | Drama

Director: Lisa Delhom, Jérémy Paquet

Iris and Leo are waiting for their school bus, just like any other day. This morning, however, it does not arrive. Facing no rules but their own, the two eight-year-olds embark on an urban adventure, one they shall never forget, roaming the streets of Montreal.



WHERE IS MY TURTLE

Korea | 16min Short | Drama

Director: Kyung Jung Kim

Lizzy, a little girl who wants to be the bravest girl in the world, decides to take the turtle trapped in the fishbowl to the sea.



ZARA AND THE OTHERS: MISS MISS

Norway | 13min Short | Drama

Director: Nils Johan Lund, Bjørn Sortland

Zara has never heard of a "Miss-competition", she only knows the girls in class say it's a way to decide who the prettiest girl is. When Zara's wacky dad brings a bucket of fresh moose poop to the event, things take an unexpected turn...



ZOMBIE PIZZA PARTY

United States | 10min Short | Drama

Director: Avery Christmas

The only thing missing from this zombie apocalypse is pizza.



THE VAULT B

<http://vaultb.lbwtech.com/Ehome.html>



A real version of Hollywood blockbuster "Indiana Jones", with the multicultural and cross-countries team to protect the treasures of ancient civilization



FEATURE FILMS



FULL GAS

Israel | 113min Feature | Drama
Director: Kobi Machat

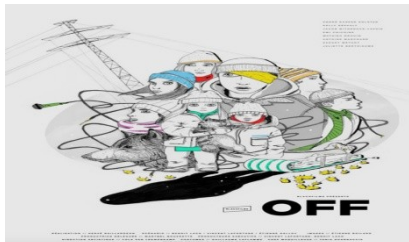
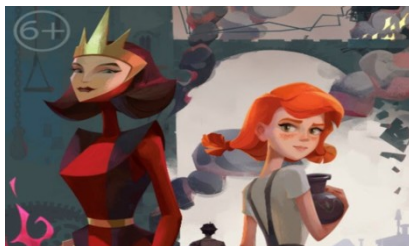
Tomer, 17, moves with his mother to a small village at the edge of the desert. Everyone is preparing for the under-18 Motocross National championship due to take place a month later, with arrogant Nimrod, 17, – the village's alpha male – the clear favorite to win. Tomer's arrival changes the rules of the game.

GINGER'S TALE

Russian Federation | 88 min Feature | Drama

Director: Konstantin Shekin

Potter, kind and poor guy, finds a magical artifact named Stone Of Fire, that makes him rich and cruel. The evil Queen decides to kill him, so she could lay her hands on the Stone Of Fire. Only the main character, a girl named Ginger, can save Potter with her devotion. Without a moment's hesitation she rushes to rescue her friend, helping Potter to understand that love and honest work are more important than money and power.



OFF (LA PANNE)

Canada | 50min Feature | Drama
Director: Hervé Baillargeon

In the wake of a surprise power outage, the youngsters of Sainte-Pauline-de-la-Légère learn with much trepidation that they will have to spend their entire vacation without electricity.



SELFIE MOMMY GOOGLE DADDY

India | 126min Feature | Drama

Director: Madhuchandra R

Selfie Mummy Google Daddy is a movie about children's mobile addiction. The story revolves around a couple and their two kids. It showcases the extent of mobile addiction in today's generation kids with gaming and its impact on them. The trials and tribulations the parents undergo and the various strategies they make to get rid of the addiction from their children.



SMOKY MOUNTAIN RESCUE

United States | 48min Feature | Family

Director: Theo Brown

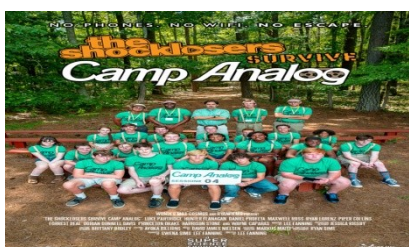
Smoky Mountain Rescue is a web series that shares the story of Emily, a teenager who's reluctantly stuck visiting her grandpa's farm for the summer. While reconnecting with her younger cousins there, she meets Jack, a lost dog that Grandpa and the kids rescued on the side of the road.



THE BAMBOO HAT

China | 90 min Feature | Drama
Director: Xiaoxin Zeng Sisi Li

A poor orphan Huolong lost his parents and grew up in a small village, his grandma took care of him with the support from all the villagers.



THE SHOCKLOSERS SURVIVE CAMP ANALOG

United States | 75 min Feature | Adventure

Director: Lee Fanning

A group of teen friends-- the self-coined "Shocklosers"-- are shipped off to Camp Analog-- a summer camp that specializes in rehabilitating young people with destructive tech habits-- after a prank for their online channel goes too far. But once there, they discover not everything is what it seems, and the Shocklosers must fight the established conformity to preserve their individuality.



SCREENPLAY COMPETITION

Feature

Blind Spots
USA | Kevin Eis

Grow Home
Australia | Jasmine Yuen-Carrucan

Hear, Boy!
USA | Noah Edelson

Here Be Dragons!
USA | Steve Brumwell, Lee J Lawson

The Song of Cloud
China | Zhifeng Chen Jie Yang Jiao Du

The Adventures of Willow and Oliver
USA | Rain Story

The Handstand Heard Round the World
USA | Leland Thomas Faegre

The Listening
USA | Feature | Screenplay Writer: Jax Malcolm

Short

Asta's Journey
USA | Freia M. Titland

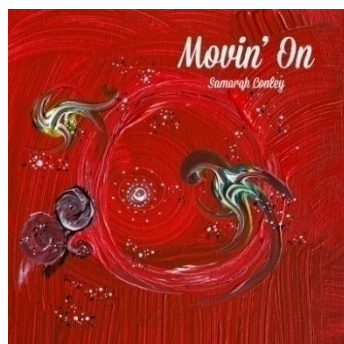
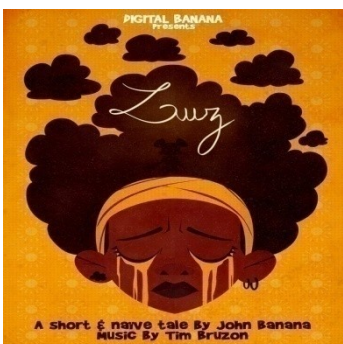
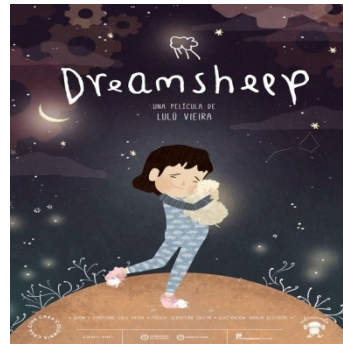
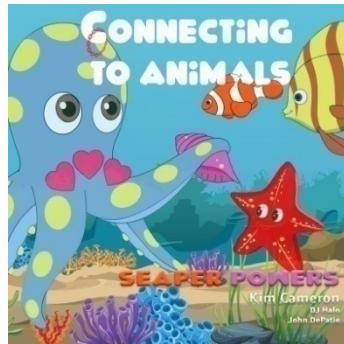
Dawn Ridge
USA | Elizabeth Diane Adams

El Capitán & Toby: "The Rescue"
USA | Rain Story

Panda Bibi and Fan Xiaoqiang
China | Mi Yang

The Bike
USA | Timothy Benson

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