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2022

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**"ONE OF THE UK'S TOP FILM FESTIVALS."
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Welcome

After two years of lockdowns, we are happy to announce that the 7th edition of the New Renaissance Film Festival is being hosted at the Kino Cinema, Bermondsey. This is the ideal venue for us and we have been given a tremendous amount of support from the manager Paul and his team.

A wonderful and warm celebration of indie film

Since 2016 when we started, we have curated 20 film festivals and screened more than 1,500 films. We have adopted a hybrid model this year, with a mix of live screenings and online streaming.

The festival will run from the 22-24th September and the awards party and ceremony will take place on Sunday the 2nd October, at the 5 star Courthouse Hotel, Soho. Tickets for cinema screenings and the awards party are on sale through Film Freeway.

£2,500 in cash prizes on offer for Emerging Talent

Apart from a high number of UK and international film awards, for the second year running, we are offering cash prizes for Emerging Talent, thanks to the generosity of our patron Katie Partridge, CEO of the Saphira Group.

£1,000 will be awarded for the overall winner, £500 for the first runner-up, and four more prizes of £250 each, to honour our commitment to champion the very best up-and-coming film talent.

More than 80 quality shorts and features

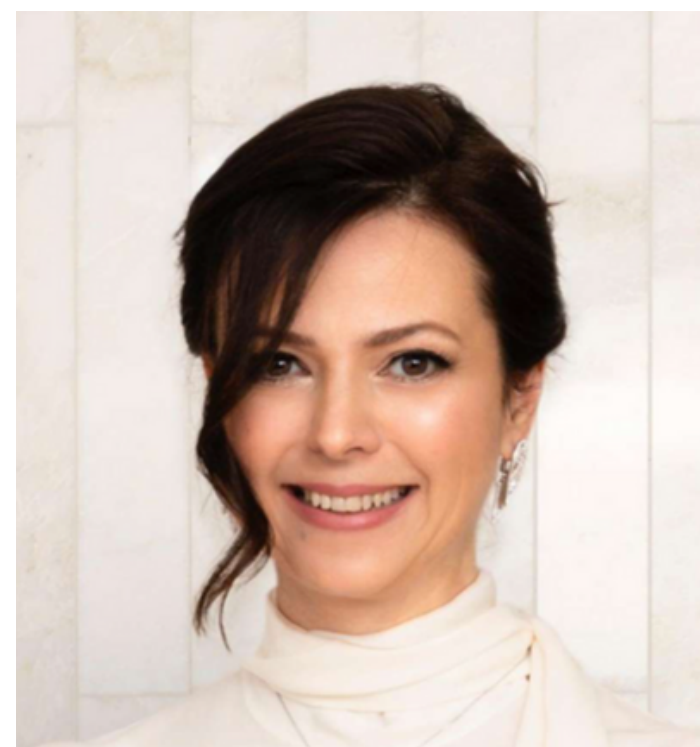
This year's programme includes more than 80 quality films - a combination of narrative shorts, features, documentaries, music and dance films and animation. In the programme are many beautifully-crafted films including emotional drama, experimental work and new work.

Alongside this is our screenwriting competition and we've launched for the first time, a micro film competition on Tik Tok.

Finally, we would like to thank everyone involved in making this year's festival a wonderful experience, especially Anya Patel, Katie Partridge and Kristian Partridge.

Massimo Barbato and
Jan Hendrik Verstraten
- Directors

EMERGING TALENT AWARDS



Emerging Talent Awards

From our inception in 2016, NRFF has been committed to supporting the best up-and-coming filmmakers, as they embark on their careers in the film industry. The Emerging Talent Awards provide a unique platform to showcase their work.

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Katie Partridge, CEO, SAPHIRA Group

Katie is the CEO of the SAPHIRA Group, a private investment firm headquartered in London, with a presence in the United States and the Middle East. She is also the founder and chairwoman of Al Johara, a social enterprise organisation that fosters

female leadership and cross-cultural understanding between East and West.

Katie believes in making a difference at the grassroots level and is a founding trustee of the Childhood Trust, a charity that supports the alleviation of childhood poverty and early development struggles of children living in London.

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THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER / 4-6 PM / KINO

BLOCK A

NARRATIVE SHORTS



UNITED KINGDOM

CYN

BEN DESMOND

Liverpool 1960. Art students, Cyn and John, find their blossoming romance in a state of flux as music and fame starts to overtake their passion.



UNITED KINGDOM

BLACK TEA

RENEQUE SAMUELS

An exploration of British heritage.



UNITED KINGDOM

THANK YOU SO MUCH

TOMASZ FRYMORGEN

During the pandemic, an over-virtuous neighbour is challenged by the nurse next door. His only way to avoid public humiliation is to crush the heretic before him.



UNITED KINGDOM

FIELDTRIP

SOREN BENDT, PAUL ARION

A dark comedy about the 'collaboration' of man and machine. Watch your step...

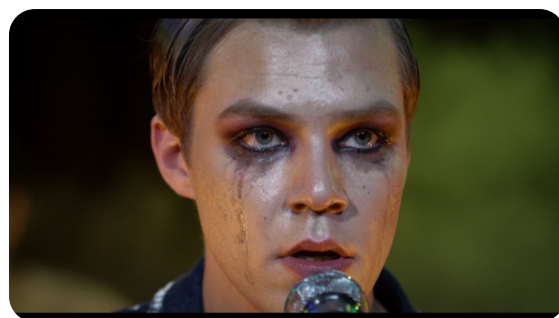


UNITED KINGDOM

TAP

JESSICA JACK BOYD

On a remote mountaintop two women toil away at a seemingly meaningless task. Yet everyday they return to the same spot, to continue their back breaking work. Is it a ritual, or a punishment?

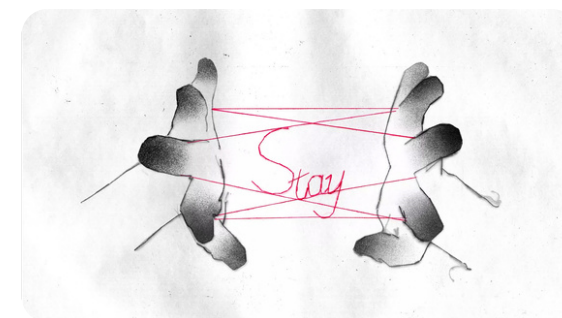


UNITED KINGDOM

WE ARE BLEACH

ZOE GREENBAUM

The pansexual lead singer of an up-and-coming London rock band flirts recklessly with adventure, threatening to destroy the love that is right in front of him.



UNITED KINGDOM

STAY

YU SUN

An animated film made using hand embroidery on tracing paper, depicting the relationship between a daughter and her absent father.

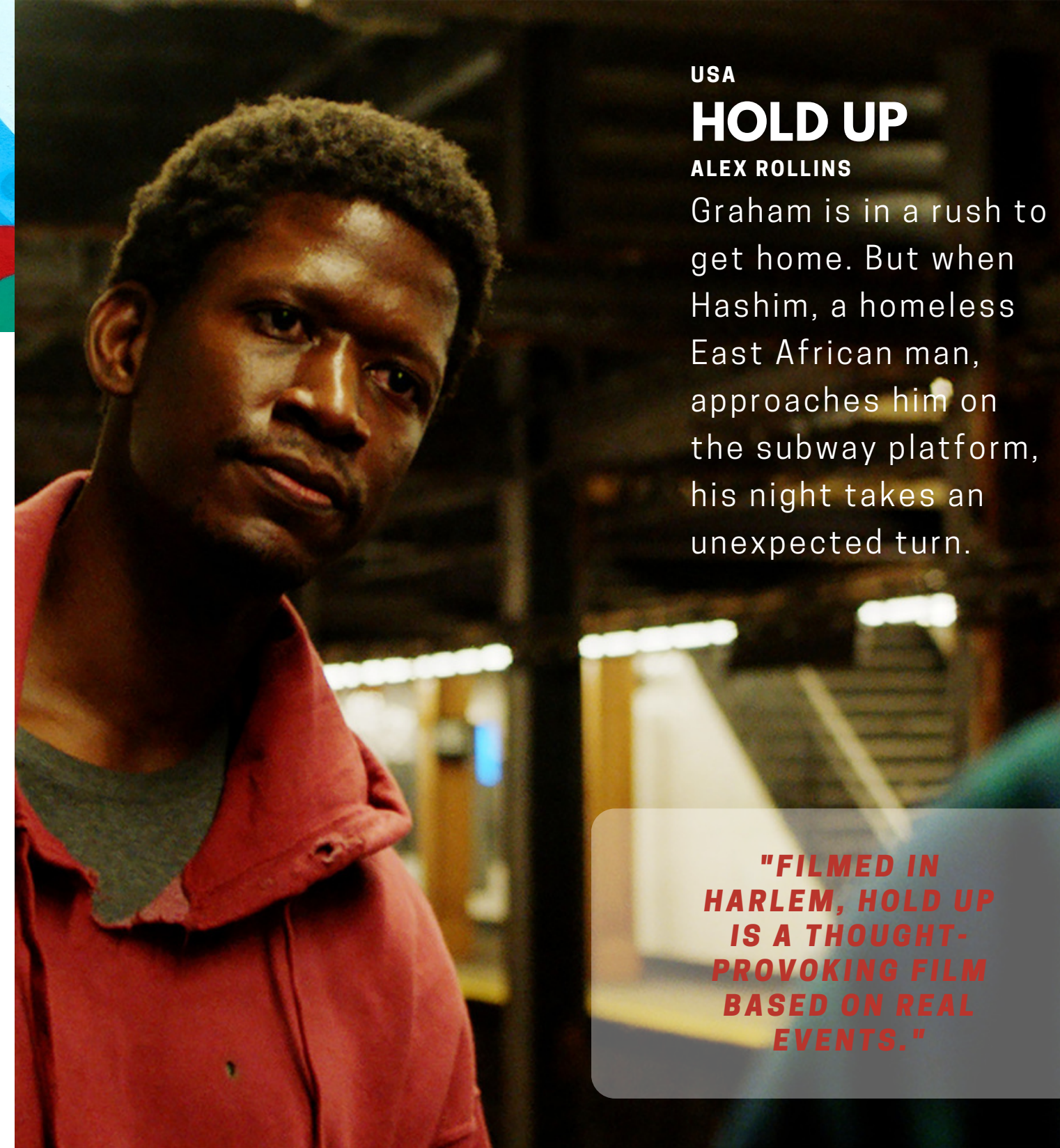


UNITED KINGDOM

SPEAK FOR HERSELF

NICK WILLIS

What would you say if you had one minute to speak to the entire world?



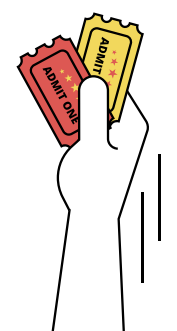
USA

HOLD UP

ALEX ROLLINS

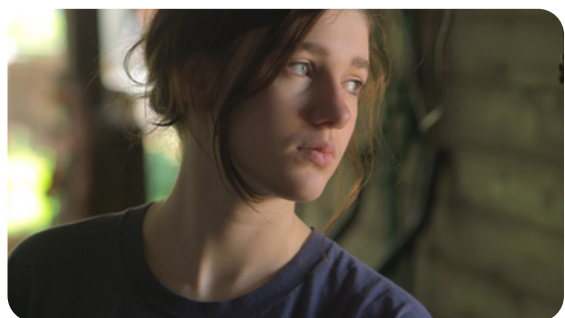
Graham is in a rush to get home. But when Hashim, a homeless East African man, approaches him on the subway platform, his night takes an unexpected turn.

"FILMED IN HARLEM, HOLD UP IS A THOUGHT-PROVOKING FILM BASED ON REAL EVENTS."



THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER / 6-8 PM / KINO

OPENING NIGHT FEATURE



UNITED KINGDOM
RUDY



Set in the heart of rural England, Rudy finds her relationship with her father being tested. Stuck as a proxy parent to her younger siblings and dealing with a recent loss, she feels increasingly pushed out when her home gets opened up to a paying guest. Through a newfound friendship with a boy from Coventry, Rudy discovers fun, freedom and autonomy, but is it at the sacrifice of unspoken family wounds?

CAST

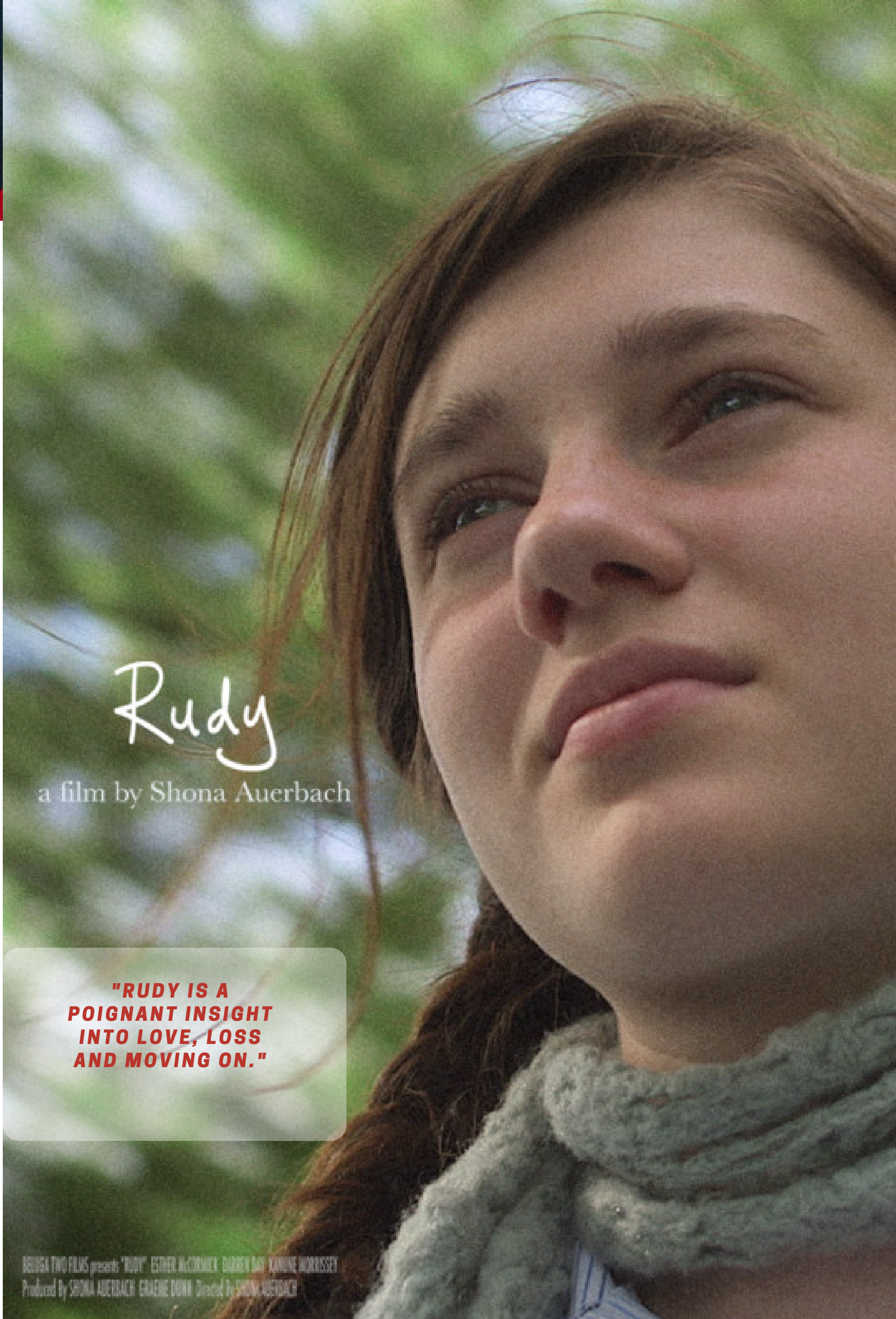
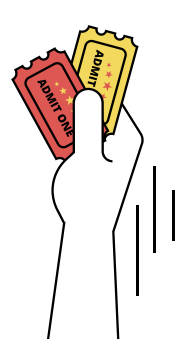


Esther McCormick
Darren Day
Kanune Morrissey
Rusty Lee
Sylvia Lorden



DIRECTED BY SHONA AUERBACH

Written by Diane Allton and Shona Auerbach
Original Score by Akira Kosemura
Produced by Shona Auerbach and Graeme Dunn
www.belugatwofilms.com/rudy



Rudy
a film by Shona Auerbach

**"RUDY IS A
POIGNANT INSIGHT
INTO LOVE, LOSS
AND MOVING ON."**

BELUGA TWO FILMS presents "RUDY" ESTHER MCCORMICK, DARREN DAY, KANUNE MORRISSEY
Produced by SHONA AUERBACH, GRAEME DUNN Directed by SHONA AUERBACH

FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER / 2-4 PM / KINO

BLOCK C

NARRATIVE SHORTS



UNITED KINGDOM

SUMMER

SERENA CHLOE GARDNER

Summer's world turns upside down after the sudden death of her brother and subsequent PTSD. To overcome her grief, she throws a house party with the help of her friends.



UNITED KINGDOM

TO THE MOON

ADIL LADHA

As 7 year-old Nish watches the Apollo 11 moon landing, a conflict at home threatens to bring him and his family back down to earth.

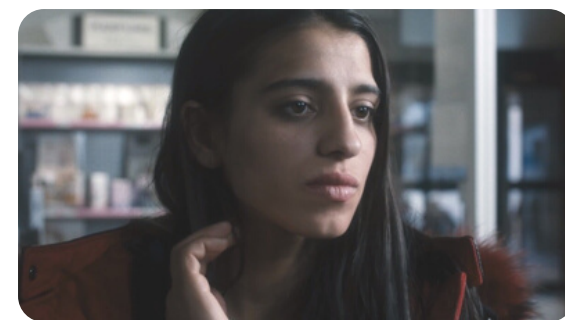


UNITED KINGDOM

UNCLE

MICHELLE JONES

The film is a coming of age story set in 90's London, about a teenage girl whose uncle (with no criminal record) dies in prison awaiting trial. Based on a true story.

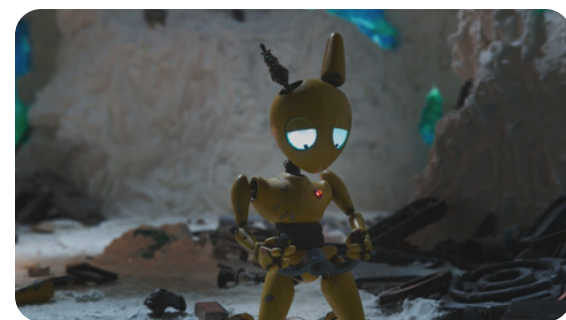


FRANCE

SHAKIRA

NOEMIE MERLANT

While trying to save her family from a return to the street, Shakira, a young gypsy woman, meets Marius, a member of a robber gang.



UNITED KINGDOM

BUILD ME UP

STEVE LAWSON

Future earth is tipped into a hostile new ice-age. Robot siblings Vera and Sprocket are left to survive alone. Can they learn to work together and weather the oncoming storm?



UNITED KINGDOM

GREEN LANES

GÜNI KOÇAK, MARIE DRISCH

Haringey, North London. Present day. When Yusuf brings his girlfriend Fiona home to finally meet his Turkish parents, the family has to deal and remember a tragedy.



UNITED KINGDOM

ROY

ROSS WHITE

Trapped in a lonely existence, reclusive widower Roy (BAFTA Winner David Bradley) passes the days by cold calling strangers from the phone book, looking for brief moments of companionship. But when he accidentally calls adult hotline worker Cara (Oscar® winner Rachel Shenton), an unlikely friendship is born that will help them both rediscover the joy of life.

"FROM THE ACADEMY AWARD® WINNING TEAM BEHIND THE SILENT CHILD, ROY IS A FUNNY, HEART-WARMING TALE OF TWO LOST SOULS WHO FIND COMPANIONSHIP JUST WHEN THEY NEED IT MOST."

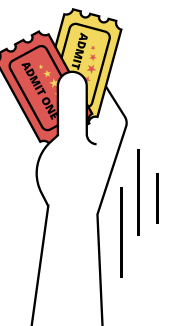


UNITED KINGDOM

THE EVERLASTING CLUB

JOY WILKINSON

In an elite college, Sarah invites a diverse group of female students to restart a powerful men's club from centuries ago, only they discover the original members are joining them for dinner.



FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER / 12-2 PM / KINO

BOCK B

NARRATIVE SHORTS



UNITED KINGDOM
AINSWORTH

SAM BLAKE TALBOT
It is the beating heart of the Estate and football the international language that binds the entire community together.



UNITED KINGDOM
ECSTASY

GRANT TAYLOR
A comedy-drama about a disabled father with Parkinson's disease, and his son's crazy attempt to buy him drugs so that he can dance with his wife, one last time. What could go wrong?



FRANCE
SEASON

GIOVANNA LOPALCO
A group of men dressed in white, accompany a young woman to a strange, perpetually moving location, where her physical metamorphosis begins.



NORWAY
MAMMA

ASLAK DANBOLT
It's Christmas Eve, and Synnøve is searching for her drug-addicted daughter Michelle in an almost desolated city.

"AN EMOTIONALLY INTENSE DRAMA ABOUT A MOTHER AND DAUGHTER, PLAYED BY A REAL MOTHER AND DAUGHTER."



UNITED KINGDOM
CANNED

CLEMENTE LOHR
Ellen's life is spinning out of control, as she tries desperately to find something hidden in her flat. Meanwhile, Vince, attempts to teach her the meaning of love.



UNITED KINGDOM
7 BANANAS

DAISY MOORE
Dara and Sophie's once close friendship is now only sustained by likes, memes and ever-delayed meet-ups. When Sophie commits suicide, Dara is forced to look behind the surface of Sophie's last messages?



UNITED KINGDOM
IT FEELS PERSONAL

HUGH CLEGG
A short desktop documentary about a stolen video, and the online search for the thief.



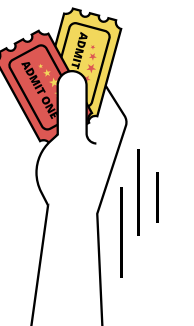
UNITED KINGDOM
PIN MONEY

CHRISTEL RINGELMANN
Working to afford her hobby, a young woman struggles with her thankless job.



UNITED KINGDOM
SHEAR

RIYADH HAQUE
Yasmin, finds herself trapped between her strict, traditional family and the man she is in love with. One night, she sneaks out to a party and starts a chain of events that changes her life forever.



FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER / 4-6 PM / KINO

BLOCK D

MUSIC & DANCE SHORTS



UNITED KINGDOM
A DRIFTING UP

JACOB LEE
It takes 6 weeks to come off anti-depressants. I tried to dance my way through it.

UNITED KINGDOM
WE BREAK

EMMANUEL ADELEKUN
A short, spoken word, breaking film, reflecting the raw, visceral side of the hip hop-born dance and art form.

AUSTRALIA
DRUMTALK

MAGIC STEVEN
Dance to the beat of my drum in 2D animation.



UNITED KINGDOM
A SPACE LEFT BANK

TRAVIS CLAUSEN-KNIGHT
What happens when the screens that are meant to bring us together get in the way of real connection?

UNITED KINGDOM
DIVE

OSCAR SANSOM
Scottish Ballet's short film inspired by French artist Yves Klein and what has become the world's most famous shade of blue. Choreography by Sophie Laplane.

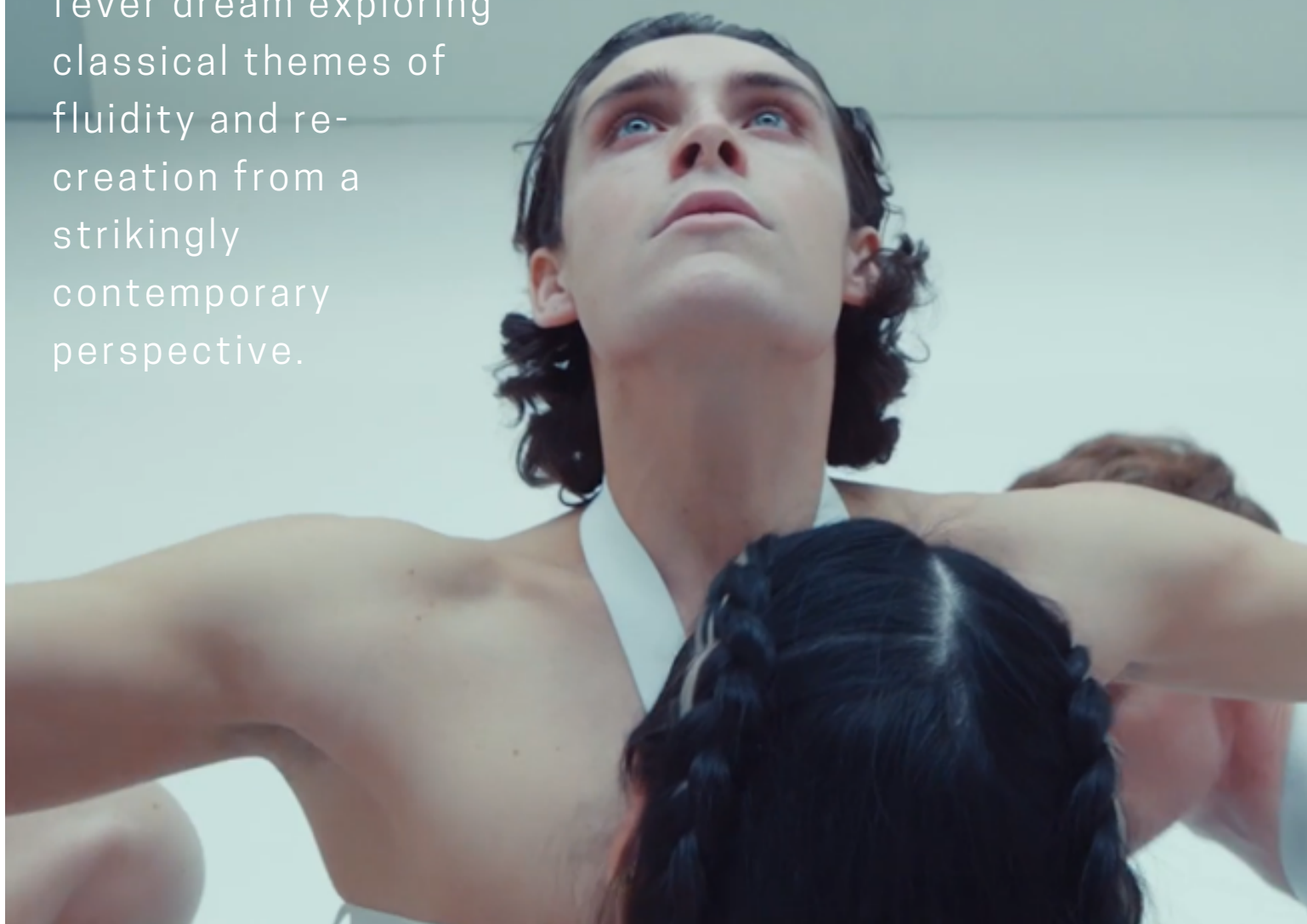
UNITED KINGDOM
KIN

DAN LOWENSTEIN, KENNETH TINDALL
Inspired by David Nixon OBE's stage production of Swan Lake, Northern Ballet original dance film KIN explores the struggle with grief and the demons that lie within.

UNITED KINGDOM
MYRRHA

KATYA ESME MAYA BOURVIS
Loosely inspired by Ovid's 'Metamorphoses', 'Myrrha' is a vivid fever dream exploring classical themes of fluidity and re-creation from a strikingly contemporary perspective.

"SUPPORTED BY A SADLER'S WELLS ARTIST GRANT, 'MYRRHA' IS HYPNOTIC AND EERILY ARRESTING — AND MARKS A POWERFUL SOLO DIRECTORIAL DEBUT FOR CHOREOGRAPHER KATYA BOURVIS."

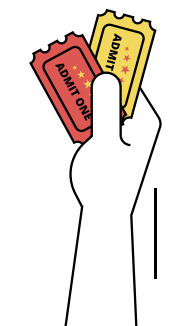


FRANCE
BARBARIANS: ORIGINS

ROMAIN RACHLINE BORGEAUD
A student defies his bullying teacher's authority and leads his classmates to rebel against his tyranny.

USA
ROCHELLE BLOOM "STORIES I CREATE IN MY HEAD"

DEREK EVANS
Rochelle Bloom's debut music video for her song, "Stories I Create In My Head", off her album, "Partly Cloudy".





UNITED KINGDOM

FLAWS

JAKE KUHN

A dancer, with his new pair of tap shoes, torments his downstairs neighbor. What ensues is a fight that escalates to the roof, where their romantic history together is revealed.



BOTSWANA

UNSPOKEN

WILLIAM ARMSTRONG

A film centred around world-class contemporary choreographer Paul Lightfoot (the Netherlands Dance Theatre) losing his father during the pandemic.



USA

MELANIN VIBES

CYRIAN REED

"Melanin Vibes" is the discovery and conscious awareness of your skin and being proud of the layers of your existence.



UNITED KINGDOM

AN EVENING WITH TAGLIONI

JESSICA WRIGHT, MORGAN RUNACRE-TEMPLE

Legendary ballerina Marie Taglioni retires and her pointe shoes are bought by a fan... Then cooked at a lavish dinner party and served to 35 guests.

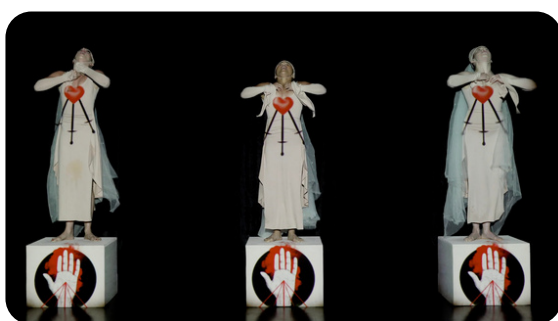


UNITED KINGDOM

ONE NIGHT

ISLA BADENOCH

Based on real-life events, One Night is a short dance film about the emotional journey one woman takes to find the strength to change her life forever.



USA

ONCE THERE WAS ILL

NINA MCNEELY

A visceral display of true sisterhood- they suffer together, thrive together and bleed together.



"FEATURING WIDELY KNOWN DANCERS, KYLIE SHAE AND MATTHEW "ET" GIBBS, ."

USA

GLANCE

LEE PETERKIN

Two strangers on the LA Metro make eye contact and are propelled into an abstract dance fantasy.

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BLOCK E

NARRATIVE SHORTS



UNITED KINGDOM

LOVE

JANE ASHMORE

This bittersweet film tells the story of Oscar, a complex character with unique needs but the same hopes and desires as anyone.



ITALY

LA NATURALE BELLEZZA DEL CREATO

MICHELE BARNARDI, ROBERTO ZAPPALA

A desperate invocation of love that is embodied by the rustle of wind and the physicality of the dancers.

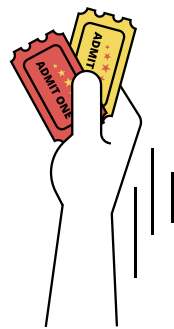


UNITED KINGDOM

SURGEONS

CRAIG TALBOT

Two women discover being a surgeon can mean very different things.

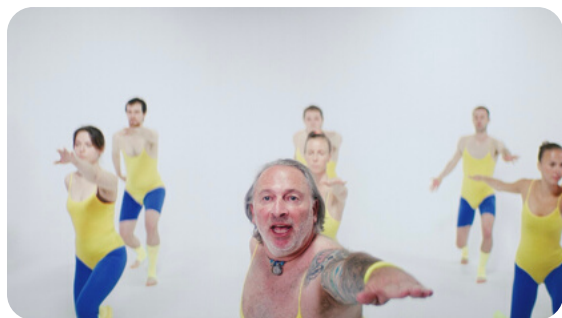


UNITED KINGDOM

TREASURE

SEAN PATRICK HEALY

Sunny talkaholic Pip doesn't know which is worse; to be entirely invisible, or to be seen but not noticed. It takes 7 year-old Alice to see what's so clearly wrong.



UNITED KINGDOM

UNCENSORED (THE BEAUTIFUL BUTTER PLAYGROUND)

NOAH OTTERSEN PARKER

A mysterious TV signal sends everyone into an outpour of uncontrollable swearing.



UNITED KINGDOM

A WOMAN WALKS INTO A BANK

TOM BRENNAN

Inspired by the wild true story of the Patty Hearst kidnapping, this film is about a young woman's journey from normality to extremism and back again.

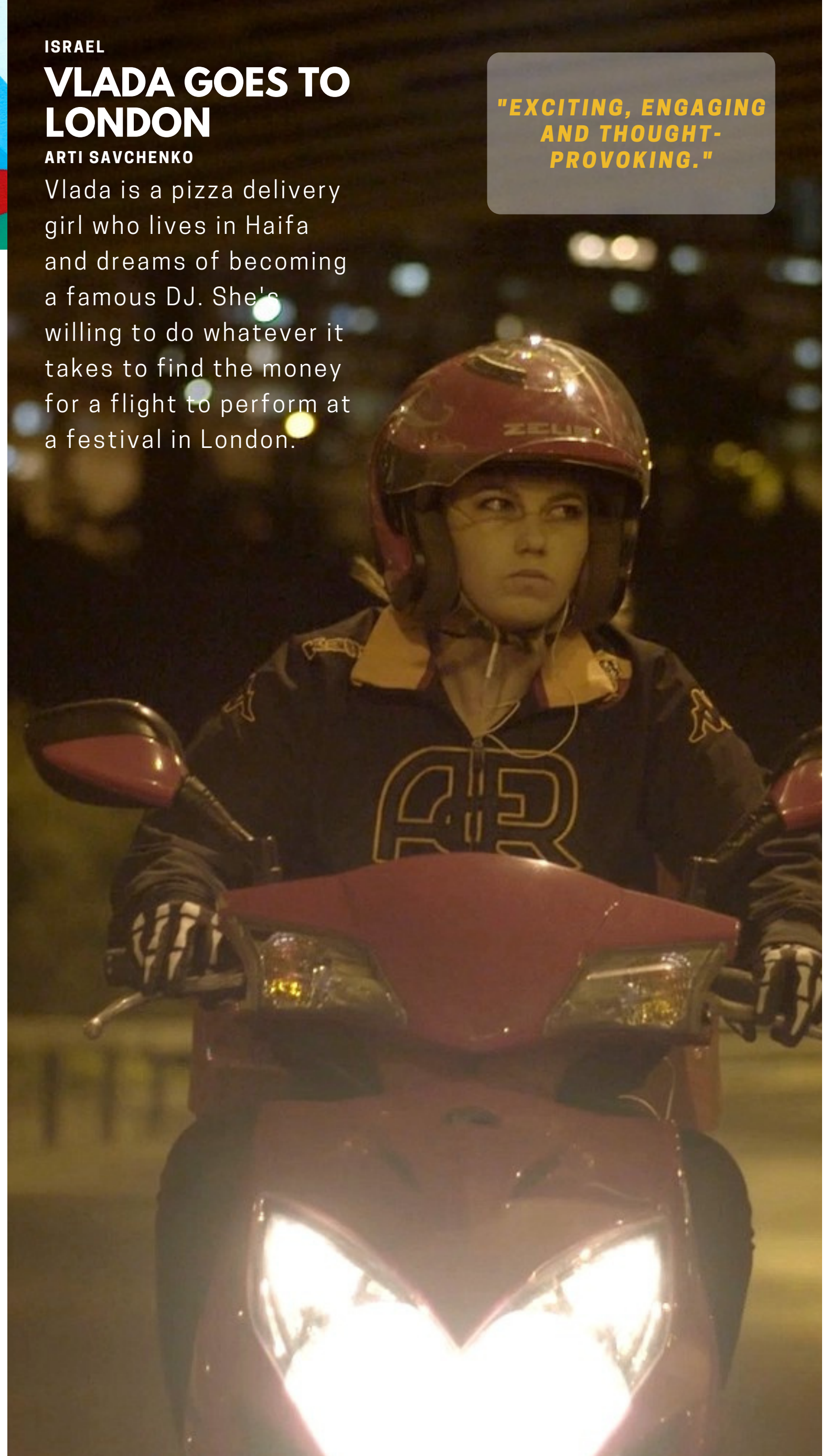
ISRAEL

VLADA GOES TO LONDON

ARTI SAVCHENKO

Vlada is a pizza delivery girl who lives in Haifa and dreams of becoming a famous DJ. She's willing to do whatever it takes to find the money for a flight to perform at a festival in London.

"EXCITING, ENGAGING AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING."



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BLOCK F

NARRATIVE SHORTS

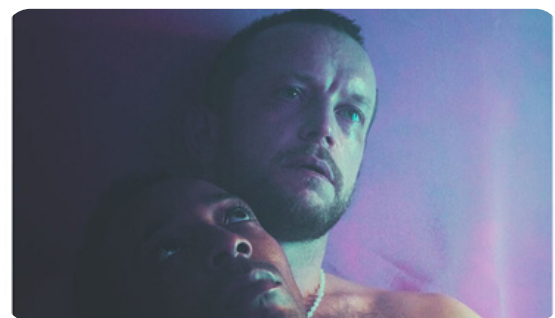


UNITED KINGDOM

SLAY THE BEAST FROM A STATE OF PEACE

MIRO ALLEYNE-MCCARTHY

An experiment, visually and poetically but above all; this is an expression of the filmmaker's feelings, worries and spirit.



UNITED KINGDOM

BABY BOY

GREG HALL

A sexually repressed London black cab driver, abandons his wife and children when he relapses in drug addiction and descends into a wild weekend with his young queer lover.



UNITED KINGDOM

GOOD=EVIL

JOSÉ LUIS UGARTE

A stream of consciousness poetry film that is both a meditation and an inner dialogue with the self. Thoughts lead us into an imaginary place where manifestations of our fears reside.



UNITED KINGDOM

TORTOISE

ALEXANDRA MAHER

A desperate young woman (Emily Beecham) must overcome amnesia in order to understand her strange surroundings and finally be reunited with her daughter.



UNITED KINGDOM

COMMUNITY SERVICE

WILL MASHETER

In a dreary London council estate, Hugh, widowed and alone, is a shell of who he used to be. He awaits the inevitable in anticipation...

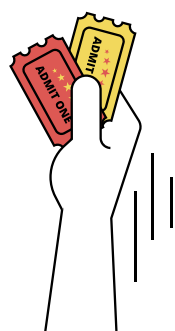


UNITED KINGDOM

TAYLOR

ISAAC TOMICZEK

A bullied gay teenager's life is turned around when a new friend teaches him how to box.



UNITED KINGDOM

WHEN SHE WAS GOOD

MARGARITA MILNE

When a young girl discovers that Santa is not real, she questions the lies told by adults and the terrible secret that she has been forced to keep.



"WHEN PUSH COMES TO SHOVE, HOW EASY IS IT TO ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH - AND DO WE LIKE HEARING IT?"

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FEATURE

UNITED KINGDOM

A BIRD FLEW IN



When lockdown is imposed, the cast and crew of a film are taken from the set and sent home – alone. Actors without an audience. Directors without a script. Couples who fall apart. While others come together. A film composed of six interlinked narratives, 'A Bird Flew In' explores what happens when we are freed from external distractions and forced to find the meaning in our lives and loves.

CAST



Sir Derek Jacobi
Jeff Fahey
Sadie Frost
Frances Barber
Julie Dray
Morgana Robinson
Sophie Kennedy
Clark
Camilla Rutherford



DIRECTED BY KIRSTY BELL

Written by Dominic Wells

Produced by Ben Charles-Edwards



- BEST INTERNATIONAL FEATURE - NOMINEE
EVOLUTION MALLORCA FILM FESTIVAL
2021
- BEST EUROPEAN DIRECTOR - Kirsty Bell
CAPRI / HOLLYWOOD FILM FESTIVAL
AWARDED - 2021
- OFFICIAL SELECTION
BUENOS AIRES INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL
***** 2022 *****
- BEST UK FEATURE
RAIN DANCE LONDON
NOMINATED - 2021
- HONORABLE MENTION
SANTA MONICA INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL
2022
- PARIS
OFFICIAL SELECTION 2022
- OFFICIAL SELECTION
Ontario International Film Festival
2021
- BEST FEMALE DIRECTOR - Kirsty Bell
VANCOUVER INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL
AWARDED - 2022
- OFFICIAL SELECTION
Toronto Women Film Festival
2021

"ACHINGLY SAD AND BRILLIANTLY PERFORMED" ON MAGAZINE

A FILM BY KIRSTY BELL

A BIRD FLEW IN

MSR MEDIA INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS A GOLDFINCH PRODUCTION
 "A BIRD FLEW IN" JEFF FAHEY KIRSTY BELL JULIE DRAY DANIEL WARD SOPHIE KENNEDY CLARK MICHAEL WINDER CAMILLA RUTHERFORD SADIE FROST DEREK JACOBI
 BILL FELLOWS MORGANA ROBINSON FRANCES BARBER NIKITA MEHTA DANIEL ATWELL COSTUME DESIGNER BECKY SEAGER HAIR & MAKE-UP DESIGNER CAROLINE SIMS MUSIC AND ADDITIONAL POETRY BY AL JOSHUA
 MUSIC SUPERVISOR IAN NEIL EDITOR JOHN SMITH, ACE PRODUCTION DESIGNER TRINITY TRISTAN DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY SERGIO DELGADO LINE PRODUCTION ALEXA WAUGH ASSOCIATE PRODUCER PHIL MCKENZIE KEITH KEHOE EXECUTIVE PRODUCER PHILIPPE MARTINEZ
 PRODUCED BY BEN CHARLES EDWARDS WRITTEN BY DOMINIC WELLS ELIZABETH MORRIS DIRECTED BY KIRSTY BELL
 MSR MEDIA GOLDFINCH

22-24TH SEPTEMBER / VIMEO ON DEMAND

FEATURE



USA
ALBATROSS



Worlds collide at an awkward dinner party in 1959 New England. After moving to a new town, Elizabeth and Thomas Miller are at a crossroad; they are childless, he's an unpublished writer and she's tired of cutting checks to keep them afloat. Thomas' work suffers to the point that his publisher wants him to ditch his novel about the Black experience to write a more commercially viable harlequin romance. Carol and Dr. Lloyd Burke have built an imposing façade glorifying the societal ideals of the era; an impressive home, prominent role at the Country Club, and son studying medicine. But, behind closed doors, the couple's haunted by the cracks in their relationship and his use of controversial psychiatric techniques.

CAST



David Keeley
Sarah Orenstein
Katherine Gauthier
Jill Frappier
Mikaela Bisson



David Huband, Thom Nyhuss, Daniel Krmptotic, Jonathon Lerose

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY MYLES YAKSICH

Produced by Jennie Lew Tugend, Myles Yaksich, James Mark,
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KATHERINE
GAUTHIER

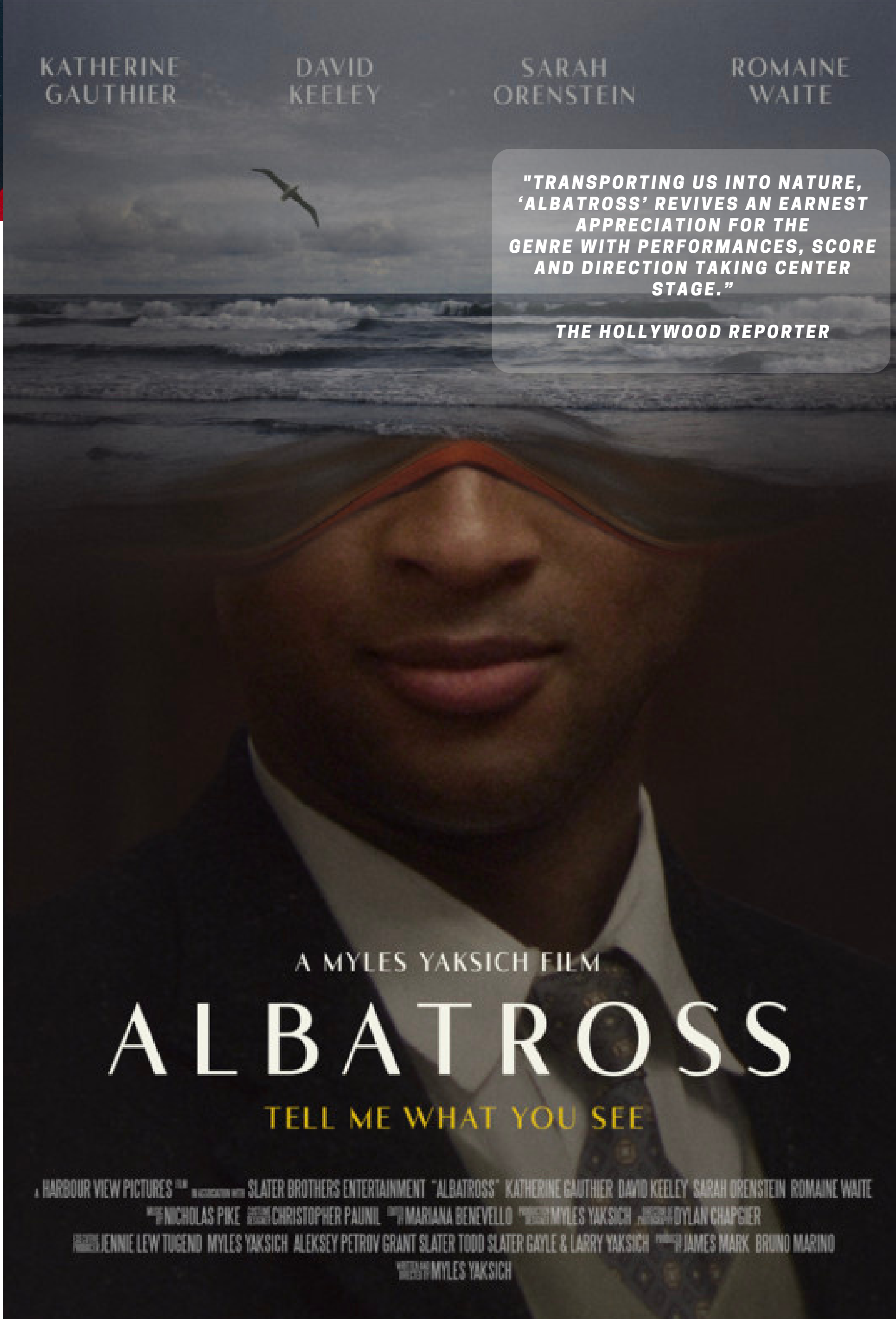
DAVID
KEELEY

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ORENSTEIN

ROMAINE
WAITE

"TRANSPORTING US INTO NATURE, 'ALBATROSS' REVIVES AN EARNEST APPRECIATION FOR THE GENRE WITH PERFORMANCES, SCORE AND DIRECTION TAKING CENTER STAGE."

THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER



A MYLES YAKSICH FILM

ALBATROSS

TELL ME WHAT YOU SEE

HARBOUR VIEW PICTURES™ IN ASSOCIATION WITH SLATER BROTHERS ENTERTAINMENT "ALBATROSS" KATHERINE GAUTHIER DAVID KEELEY SARAH ORENSTEIN ROMAINE WAITE
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FEATURE



SOUTH AFRICA
THE FRAGILE KING



The Fragile King tells the story of an older white man, Gerald King, who is closer to death than life who gets dumped with his 15-year-old grandson, when the child's mother dies in a drunken car crash. The boy, who barely knows this old man, is shocked into a new reality when he is dumped in Gerald's flat in Durban by social services. The film pays homage to the filmmaker's grandfather.

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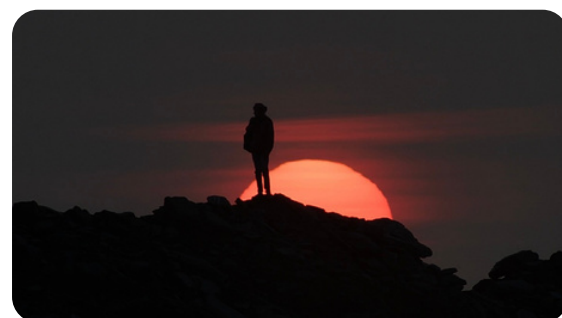
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DIRECTED BY TRISTAN HOLMES

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA

THE STENCH

WON JANG

An old man is devastated when money is stolen from his damp little room. Others living in the building begin to suspect each other. Who was the thief?



UNITED STATES

WEST BOTTOMS

GREGORY SHEFFER

Larry Poole is a drifter. Most nights, he can barely sleep while battling regret from decades of bad decisions. The kind of decisions that would drive anyone away...including his only daughter Jessica.



GERMANY

THE LIGHT THAT NOONE SEES

GREGORY MARKUS HEGEL

After the family father Josef learns that their health insurance won't cover his cancer-ill daughter's treatment, he attempts to steal the life-saving medication secretly from his workplace at a day clinic.

IRELAND

THE ROCK IN THE SEA

NIALL DUFFY

A Monk living in 9th century Ireland must contend with grief, despair, isolation and his own identity, on a far-off desolate rock. It becomes a question of his own morality, as he endures a life of complete solitude. Being torn between defeat and finding a path for resolve.

"THIS IS A JOURNEY OF SELF-DISCOVERY AND THE IMPORTANT MESSAGE OF HAVING THE STRENGTH AND COURAGE TO OVERCOME PERSONAL OBSTACLES. THE GREATEST CONFLICT TO RESOLVE IS ALWAYS FROM WITHIN."



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BLOCK H

NARRATIVE SHORTS



NEW ZEALAND

JUNE

DWAYNE CAMERON

Willow and David receive a serious diagnosis from their doctor and attempt to deal with the mundane as their world disintegrates in the following 24 hours.



NETHERLANDS

ZONDVLOED (FLOOD)

NILS VERKOOIJEN

The year is 1672 and the Dutch Republic is being attacked by 120.000 French soldiers. To save the Republic and it's citizens, a big chunk of land is being flooded with water. In Flood we follow Sijmen, the eldest son of farmer Karel, who discovers the danger his family is in is closer than expected.



GERMANY

ONCE I PASSED

MARTIN GERIGK

Walt Whitman's "Once I passed" is dedicated, on the one hand, to the poet's life with all its personal drama, and on the other hand to the content of the poem itself, the profoundly quiet, yet powerful story of two lovers.



FRANCE

AVI

ISHTVAN NEKRASOV

Obsessed with music, Thomas, one day receives the AVI vinyl, a legendary record and the jewel in his collection. In his quest to listen to it, not all will go as planned.



UNITED STATES

THE CHIEFTAIN OF THE PUDDING RACE

SHANE CROSLAND

Amid diverse travelers and affluent locals, Sunny struggles to find solace within his hometown and amongst his friends.



UNITED KINGDOM

LEADER

CHRIS OVERTON

Shot entirely on a mobile phone, this is the story of Donnie, who lives on his own in a very remote area by the sea. He creates sculptures from ocean waste, until one day the tide changes and he inspires a new normal.

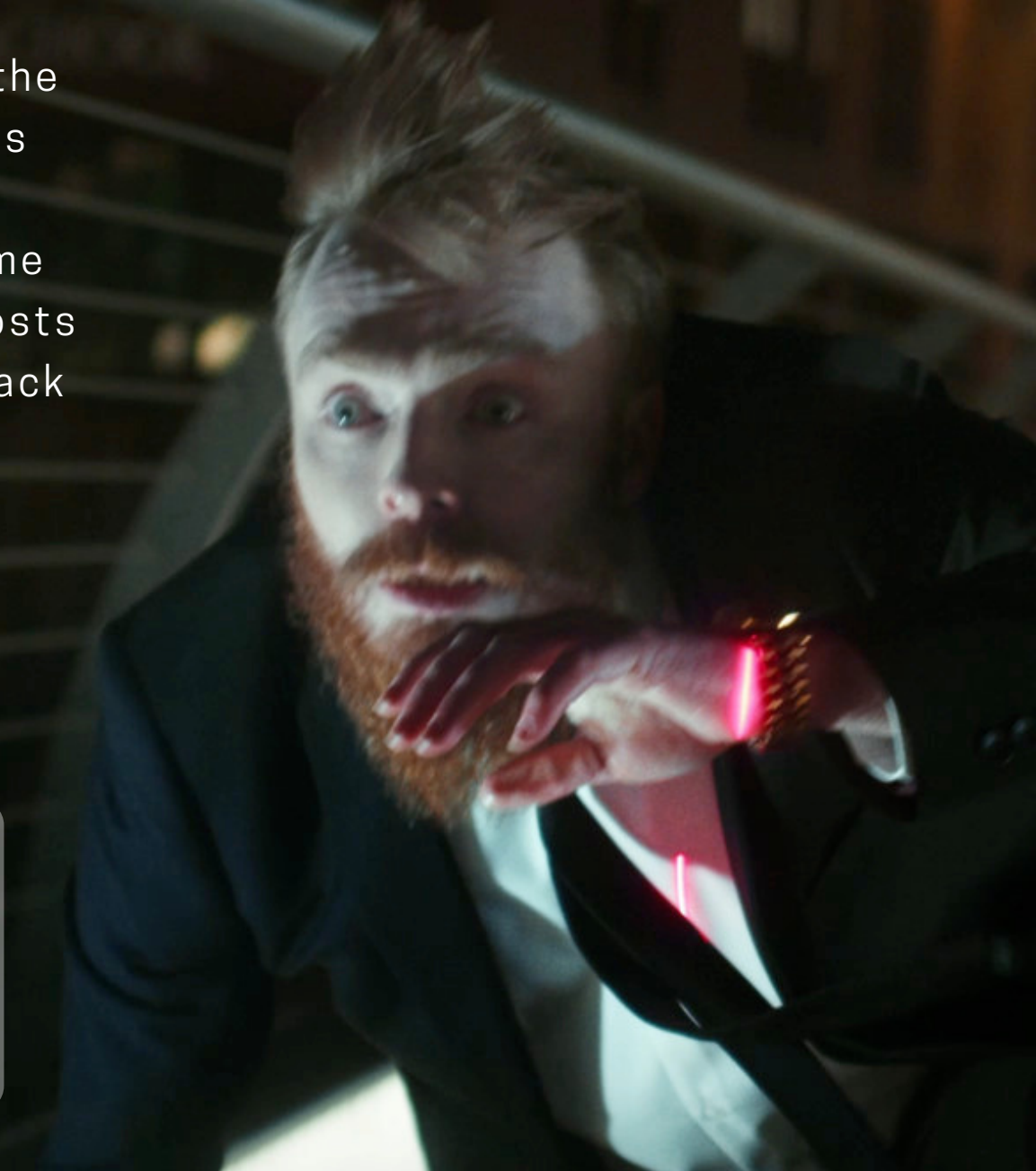
UNITED KINGDOM

THE NAUTILIS MUTINY

DANIEL SHEHATA

When Lester Landon, a dyslexic criminal working for a dodgy watch dealership, decides on "the straight and narrow" he is tasked with one last job before he is set free. Time is running out as the ghosts of his past are coming back to haunt him.

"A FILM NOIR THAT DEALS WITH THE CRAZY WORLD OF LUXURY WATCH COLLECTING, ILLITERACY, AND CRIME."



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BLOCK I

DOCUMENTARY SHORTS



UKRAINE

WHEN WILL THE WARMTH COME?

OLEKSANDRA PLETENETSKA

This is a video diary of the director's feelings, in which she documented her emotional state during the full-scale invasion of her country - Ukraine.

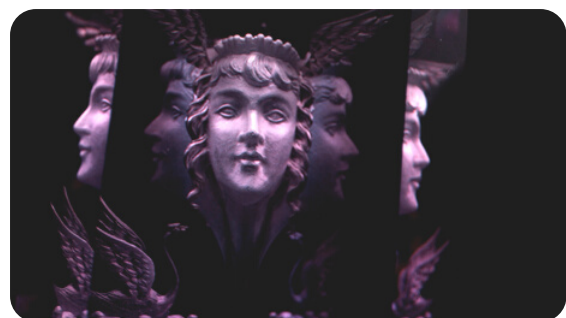


ITALY

ICHOR

GIOVANNI CHIAPPINI

Perfect creatures perform their natural function in a structured society: a world built for them, a garden of Eden. They may never fully decipher the omnipotent being who manages this paradise.



ITALY

WALLACE CHAN - THE ART OF MATERIALS

MARTINA MARGAUX COZZI

Thee film chronicles world renowned jewellery artist Wallace Chan's debut into the world of sculpture, fuelled by his desire to innovate.



UNITED KINGDOM

MAKE IT WILD

GEORGE PEARTON

Make it Wild, based in North Yorkshire, UK, is a family business on a mission to help nature.



"RIGHT NOW, WE NEED AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE RE-IMAGINING THE ISSUE"

ICELAND

IN A STATE OF CHANGE

DONAL JAMES BOYD, FRANK NIEUWENHUIS

An American photographer and filmmaker living in Iceland romanticizes his own personal connection to glaciers and struggles to discover the true role of beauty in nature for communicating the most critical issue of our time: climate change.

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MUSIC & DANCE SHORTS

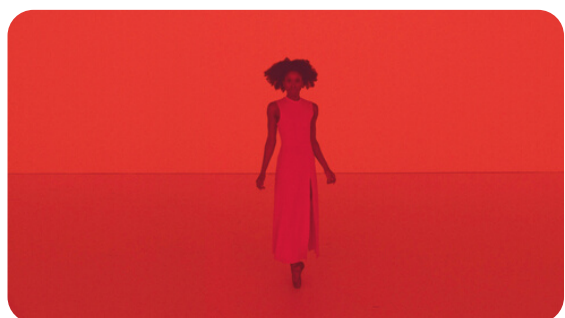


AUSTRIA

REMEMBER ME

ADRIANA HERNANDEZ FLORES

"Remember me" is a short film based on the baroque opera "Dido and Aeneas" by Henry Purcell. The story is told as a mockumentary filmed with abstract scenes recorded in various parts of Vienna and inspired by the Pina Bauschs Tanztheater.



UNITED KINGDOM

EIGHTFOLD

CASSA PANCHO, MARK DONNE

Blackness it is not a singular experience and this film showcases its multifaceted aspects, and the artistic power of Ballet Black, an organisation that has been championing positive change for Black and Asian dancers for twenty years.



DENMARK

DANCING AT THE ROYAL PALACES

TOBIAS PRAETORIUS, FRED SALMON

Dancing at the Royal Palaces is choreographed by Tobias Praetorius and Visually directed by Fred Salmon. The ballet comprises of four parts each part uniquely suited to the characteristic and interior of the four Great Halls of Amalienborg Palace.



"SCOTTISH BALLET'S CEO/ARTISTIC DIRECTOR CHRISTOPHER HAMPSON AND DESIGNER LEZ BROTHERSTON (THE SNOW QUEEN, THE SECRET THEATRE) HAVE LOVINGLY REVIVED THE ORIGINAL BALLET AND ADDED A DELIGHTFUL NEW TWIST."

UNITED KINGDOM

STARSTRUCK

OSCAR SANSOM

In this immersive, theatrical experience, audiences around the world can escape with us to the glamour and grace of Paris, 1960. One of the first choreographers to bring the 'American style' to Europe, the legendary Gene Kelly was invited to create an original work for the Paris Opera Ballet in 1960. His jazzy, joyful Pas de Dieux was highly acclaimed at the time as 'a breath of fresh air' but has been rarely performed since. It has now been given a new set of wings for its UK stage debut and world premiere on screen.



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FEATURE

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SEA
cinema
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EGYPT

ABU SADDAM



After years spent in retirement, experienced truck driver Abu Saddam gets a job transporting goods on the North Coast Road. He is determined to complete the job to perfection to maintain his reputation, but when he is faced with an unexpected situation on the road, things quickly spiral out of control.

CAST



Mohamed
Mamdouh
Ahmed Dash



DIRECTED BY NADINE KHAN

Written by Mahmoud Ezzat

Produced by Ahmed Fahmy, Hani Naguib



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أحمد فهمي

سيناريو و حوار
محمود عزت

قصة واخراج
نادين خان

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