



WOODS HOLE FILM FESTIVAL 29

VIRTUAL
EDITION

SAT. JULY 25 THRU SAT. AUGUST 1, 2020



VIRTUAL FESTIVAL:
8 days of screenings,
workshops, music,
panel discussions,
live virtual Q&A's,
special events
and more.

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FEATURE FILMS

NARRATIVE FEATURES

BEING DEAD

Two mid-life scientists who are locked in a distant marriage embark on a day trip to where they once saw their love cut short -- only to tragically arrive 25 years later at their deaths. Their estranged daughter, already desperate to survive her downward spiral, is forced to make sense of her parents' unknowable bond.

John Meyers, Narrative, 2020, USA

BODY SWAP

CJ is a high-strung business woman working at the Versa Corporation on the biggest deal in company history. Casey is a laid-back slacker who mooches off his brother. When Casey goes into an interview at Versa so he can qualify for unemployment benefits he winds up switching places with her. Now he must contend with her frienemy while she has to woo an Italian girl Casey's been flirting with. They both find out the true meaning of love: loving yourself, making the other person better, and two people becoming one. Quite literally.

Timothy Morton, Narrative, 2020, USA

DRAMARAMA

In 1994, a closeted teen struggles to part ways with his 4 high school drama friends at their final murder mystery party before they leave for college. WHFF alum Jonathan Wysocki's nostalgic, funny debut feature is a poignant love letter to drama nerds, late bloomers, and the intense friendships of youth.

Jonathan Wysocki, Narrative, 2020, USA

GIVE OR TAKE

When a disillusioned New Yorker's father dies, he goes home to Cape Cod and prepares the house for sale while sharing it with his father's temperamental live-in boyfriend. Grieving, they circle each other, butt heads, and negotiate how to remember the different man they both loved, and the significance of what he left behind.

Paul Riccio, Narrative, 2020, USA

NOWHERE

Facing immigration issues, a couple must confront fears of rejection or risk losing each other.

Francisco Salazar, David Salazar, Narrative, 2020, Colombia/USA

SHIBIL

An adaptation of the famous Bulgarian story written by Yordan Yovkov, of a father using his daughter as bait in order to capture an Shibil - a local brigand who has become a threat to the authorities and a legend among young men. This is a story of impossible love, seen through the eyes of an unexpected character - the incarnated soul of the main character, Shibil's horse.

Nikola Bozadzhev, Narrative, 2019, Bulgaria

SONGS FOR A SLOTH

On the edge of a nervous breakdown, Maxwell is shocked to find he has inherited a sloth sanctuary from his late father. When a talking sloth visits his dreams, Maxwell becomes obsessed with saving the animal's habitat in his waking life by returning to his first passion - music.

Bradley Hasse, Narrative, 2020, USA

The 29th Woods Hole Film Festival will take place as a virtual multi-day event from Saturday, July 25th through Saturday, August 1, 2020. The Woods Hole Film Festival is dedicated to presenting the best independent film from emerging filmmakers from around the world. WHFF Virtual offers film screenings on a film streaming platform combined with live events presented via video and web conferencing and social media platforms. The films are available on-demand throughout the Festival. The live events are scheduled. For films that have a live Q&A, the schedule includes a suggested watch time two hours prior to the Q&A. See below.

WHY IS THE 29TH WOODS HOLE FILM FESTIVAL A VIRTUAL EVENT?

Due to the pandemic it would not be possible to present an in-person multi-venue, multi-day event as is the summer tradition. So, we worked very hard to reimagine the Woods Hole Film Festival as a VIRTUAL EVENT. We hope you will support us by purchasing a Festival Pass. We have amazing films and guests and we are excited to present this edition of the Woods Hole Film Festival.

THANK YOU 5

A company of floundering thespians attempt to stage a production of 'Prelude to a Tradition,' an original work by playwright and director Kurt McAbbott. THANK YOU 5 is a fully improvised comedy featuring an ensemble of emerging Chicago-based actors, and a tribute to all of the unsung artists who endure so much, specifically each other, to create something memorable for audiences.

Reid Estreicher, Michael Barnard, Narrative, 2020, USA

THE HILL AND THE HOLE

Working one last job for the Bureau of Land Management, archaeologist Tom Digby finds himself confronted with a strange man-made hill on an old ranch in a remote corner of New Mexico. As the town and its bizarre residents keep drawing him into the hill's larger conspiracy, Tom learns that he might be the latest in a series of land surveyors destined to vanish on the hill. And that might be the least of his worries...

Christopher Ernst, William Darmon, Narrative, 2020, USA

THE LAST DAYS OF CAPITALISM

A wealthy man meets a mysterious woman while he is holed up in a Las Vegas penthouse. The two embark on an emotional and complex affair over the next 72 hours. What is the true nature of power, and those who seek it? What are the bounds of capitalism, and what is justice for those who desire it?

Adam Mervis, Narrative, 2020, USA

THE SILENT PARTY

Just hours before her wedding party at her father's ranch, Laura sets out on her own and finds an unusual party. The music and the vibe relaxes her from the stress, but a violent act changes the course of the night and of her life, implicating her father and fiancée.

Diego Fried, Narrative, 2019, Argentina

TOPRAK

Since the death of his parents, the teenage Burak lives with his uncle Cemil and grandmother in a remote Turkish village town. They try to make a living by selling fruits but while the religious Cemil is satisfied to live his life in poverty, Burak struggles to leave for the city and go to university. When grandmother gets sick, both have to make tough decisions that will change their lives.

Sevgi Hirschhaeuser, Narrative, 2020, Turkey

ZORO'S SOLO

A 13-year-old refugee from Afghanistan living in an emergency shelter in Germany joins a Christian boys' choir to save his father who was left stranded in Hungary, and clashes with the strict choir mistress.

Martin Busker, Narrative, 2019, Germany

DOCUMENTARY FEATURES

BAATO

A family in remote eastern Nepal collects medicinal herbs, before making an annual 300-kilometer trek, partly on foot and partly by ramshackle bus, to lowland, urban markets. The extension of a road to and through their remote village is underway, promising less walking and perhaps a less arduous life in some distant future. Road engineers take

brides to avoid destroying homes, while laborers produce gravel -- breaking individual stones by hand with hammers. The herb collectors plot to avoid shakedowns by police and bus operators as they miraculously make their way to market. Baato is an observation of a Himalayan culture in a slow and chaotic, yet inexorable transition.

Kate Stryker, Lucas Millard, Documentary, 2020, USA/Nepal

BORN INTO THE GIG

Born Into The Gig follows five singer-songwriters who hope to carve their own musical identity in the shadow of their parents' iconic greatness. For these 'children of,' a career path in music may seem perfectly obvious. But the reality of making it on their own merits in 'the family business,' takes each character on a journey fraught with unexpected turns, emotional pain and surprising highs. Chris Stills - son of Stephen Stills and French star, Veronique Sanson. Skip Marley - grandson of Bob Marley. Kori Withers - daughter of the hit-maker Bill Withers. And Ben and Sally Taylor - children of James Taylor and Carly Simon. While showcasing a new range of talent, Born Into The Gig also goes behind the scenes to hear from the parents themselves, and ultimately explores what it means to find one's own voice.

Kate Davis & David Heilbroner, Documentary, 2019, USA

BULLIED

Bullied is a film that examines the causes and consequences of bullying, along with the scholarship that proves how to mitigate bullying in schools.

Thomas Keith, Documentary, 2020, USA

CURRENT SEA

Current Sea follows investigative journalist, Matt Blomberg, and ocean activist, Paul Ferber, in their dangerous efforts to create a marine conservation area and combat the relentless tide of illegal fishing. Along the way a new generation of Cambodian environmentalists are inspired to create a better life for their people. An environmental thriller that sinks to the murky depths of the Southeast Asian fishing industry and a compelling testimony to the possibilities of local activism.

Christopher Smith, Documentary, 2020, Cambodia

DECODING WATSON

The rise and fall of Nobel-prize winning biologist James Watson, co-discoverer of the structure of DNA. After a lifetime of accolades, including the Nobel Prize, Watson's genius was overshadowed by remarks he made suggesting that black people are innately less intelligent than whites. Given the chance to salvage his reputation during the making of this film, he chose to affirm these views, sparking a global backlash that demolished his stature as a scientific icon. Watson's story compels us to look at the gulf between true scientific brilliance and the peril of pseudo-science.

Mark Mannucci, Documentary, 2019, USA

ENTANGLED

There are now believed to be fewer than 400 right whales, making them among the planet's most endangered species. The main threat to their survival, scientists say: millions of lobster lines that stretch from New England up through Atlantic Canada, standard gear for North America's most valuable fishery. Exacerbating that threat is climate change, which has sparked a collapse in the whale's food supply in the warming waters of the Gulf of Maine. As a result, their

population has been plummeting, and scientists say the whales could go extinct within 20 years. Now, under pressure from lawsuits by environmental advocates to reduce right whale deaths, the federal government has been considering controversial regulations that pit the region's politically powerful lobstermen against scientists and environmental advocates trying to save the whales. The proposed regulations, which could reduce lobster lines by half in much of the Gulf of Maine and harm the livelihoods of many lobstermen, has sparked a political backlash. The future of the iconic species hangs in the balance.

David Abel, Documentary, 2020, USA

FINDING COURAGE

Living in exile in San Francisco, former journalist for the Chinese Communist Party Yifei Wang struggles to settle into life in America while working to heal her family's wounds from their tragic past. She is seeking justice for the murder of her sister at the hands of the Chinese authorities. Undercover footage of a meeting with the director of the labor camp where Yifei's sister was killed reveals shocking admissions of torture, slave labor, corruption, and a general disregard for human life pervading the camp system today. Exclusive interviews with former Chinese Communist Party officials provide a unique insight into the hidden world of terror that many Chinese citizens live without ever knowing that life can, and does, exist with freedom outside their world.

Kay Rubacek, Documentary, 2020, USA

FISH & MEN

91% of the seafood in America is imported as the U.S. is flooded with six billion tons of foreign seafood. Consumers eat blissfully unaware of where their seafood comes and the dire consequences that consumer demand has placed on our oceans. FISH & MEN not only exposes the high cost of cheap fish in the modern seafood economy and the forces threatening local fishing communities and public health, but introduces us to a new movement to return sustainability to both fish and fishermen and reconnect us all once again to those who risk their lives to harvest for us from the sea.

Adam Jones, Darby Duffin, Documentary, 2020, USA

FROM WOUNDED KNEE TO STANDING ROCK: A REPORTER'S JOURNEY

In 1973, a rookie NPR reporter on his first assignment is sent to cover the armed occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota. He is soon threatened by vigilantes and later arrested by the FBI for defying a government news blackout and embedding with the militant Indians. Forty years after the uprising, he meets a Yurok Indian fisherman in California, a man he unwittingly had photographed during the 10-week occupation. The two become friends, traveling back to the Dakotas and later to the pipeline protests at Standing Rock, to investigate the legacy of 1970's activism in Indian Country. Meanwhile, the reporter launches a new investigation into the murder of his former room mate, a Canadian Native who took part in the Wounded Knee uprising, butting heads not only with the FBI, but with the co-founders of the Indian movement, and threatening to undermine his status as a trusted outsider.

Kevin McKiernan, Documentary, 2019, USA

LIFE IN SYNCHRO

Synchronized ice skating has been empowering generations of women since 1956 when it was founded by a father who saw the need for team sports for girls. Today these skaters lift, leap, and spin together in ways the rink has never seen before, but this innovative sport is still somehow overlooked by mainstream media. Journey alongside incredible women around the country as they push their teams and themselves beyond the routine and up towards greatness. They're chasing Olympic dreams not just for themselves, but for their beloved sport. Together these skaters are out to prove the staying power of synchro - the toughest sport you've never heard of.

Angela Pinaglia, Documentary, 2020, USA

LOVE & STUFF

Seven months after helping her terminally ill mother die in home-hospice, filmmaker Judith Helfand becomes a "new old" single mother at 50. Overnight, she's pushed to deal with her "stuff": 63 boxes of her parents' heirlooms overwhelming her office-turned-future-baby's room, the weight her mother had begged her to lose, and the reality of being a half-century older than her daughter. LOVE & STUFF explores the transformative power of parenting, our complex and very emotional attachment to stuff, and what it is we really need to leave our children.

Judith Helfand, Documentary, 2020, USA



A Bringing Science to the Screen screening.

MAYOR

Musa Hadid, the Christian mayor of Ramallah, is serving his second term in office. His immediate goals: repave the sidewalks, attract more tourism, and plan the city's Christmas celebrations. His ultimate mission: to end the occupation of Palestine. MAYOR offers a portrait of dignity amidst the madness and absurdity of endless occupation while posing the question: how do you run a city when you don't have a country?

David Osit, Documentary, 2020, USA

MEDICATING NORMAL

Most people are aware of the nation's opioid crisis, but there are millions of Americans who are also taking their medications exactly as prescribed by their doctors. "Medicating Normal" follows the stories of five diverse Americans who were harmed by the prescribed medications they took to feel better and exposes a larger story of medicine infiltrated by multinational pharmaceutical companies seeking to expand markets.

Wendy Ractliffe, Lynn Cunningham, Documentary, 2020, USA

MICROPLASTIC MADNESS

Fifth graders from PS 15 in Red Hook, Brooklyn - a community that was severely impacted by Superstorm Sandy - spent 2 years investigating plastic pollution. Taking on the roles of citizen scientists, community leaders, and advocates, these 10 and 11 year olds collect local data, lead community outreach, and use their impressive data to inform policy, testifying and rallying at City Hall. They take the deep dive into the root causes of plastic pollution, bridging the connection between plastic, climate change, and environmental justice before turning their focus back to school, where they take action to rid their cafeteria of all single-use plastic and drive forward city-wide action and a scalable, youth-led plastic-free movement.

Debbly Lee Cohen, Atsuko Quirk, Documentary, 2019, USA

MONEY MACHINE

On October 1, 2017, Stephen Paddock opened fire on a crowd of more than 20,000 concertgoers from his hotel room at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas, killing 58 people and wounding more than 400. It was the largest mass shooting in the history of the United States. Yet, just a couple years later, Vegas seems to have forgotten it completely. Needless to say, mass shootings are not good for business, and it didn't take long for the Vegas money machine to get to work making this one disappear. An enthralling documentary about the dark side of the Las Vegas economy and Sin City's darkest secrets.

Ram Denison, Documentary, 2020, USA

NO FEAR NO FAVOR

Communities on the frontlines are fighting Africa's poaching crisis by protecting their wildlife for future generations. Shot in some of Africa's most iconic wilderness areas, No Fear No Favor illuminates the wrenching choices faced by impoverished Africans who live on the front lines of Africa's poaching crisis. People here fight trafficking by forming Community Conservancies that protect vulnerable species, return ecotourism profits to local people, and generate new livelihoods for future generations - especially for women and girls.

Mirra Bank, Documentary, 2020, USA

PICTURE OF HIS LIFE

Amos Nachoum has swum with crocodiles and killer whales, with anacondas and with great white sharks. But one major predator has always eluded him. The legendary underwater stills photographer has always dreamed of swimming underwater with a polar bear and capturing it face-to-face on film. He tried before and barely escaped with his life, but now, as he nears the end of his career, he is determined to give it one last shot. The danger is real, perhaps more real than ever, but this may be his last chance to get The Picture of His Life.

Dani Menkin, Yonatan Nir, Documentary, 2019, USA

PUBLIC TRUST

In a time of growing polarization, Americans still share something in common: 640 million acres of public land. Held in trust by the federal government for all citizens of the United States, these places are a stronghold against climate change, sacred to native people, home to wildlife and intrinsic to our national identity. But today, despite support from voters across the political spectrum, they face unprecedented threats from extractive industries and the politicians in their pockets. Part love letter, part political exposé, Public Trust investigates how we arrived at this precarious moment through three threatened areas—a

national monument in the Utah desert, a proposed mine in the Boundary Waters and oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge—and makes a case for their continued protection.

David Garrett Byars, Documentary, 2020, USA

2020 Woods Hole Film Festival Filmmaker In Residence:

Academy Award nominee
and Peabody Award winning
documentary filmmaker
Laura Nix

RAISE YOUR VOICE

The student journalists at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School navigate their school mass shooting as both survivors and journalists. Exploring youth free speech history in America, RAISE YOUR VOICE connects the Parkland students to a broader story about young voices and their power through social movements.

Maribeth Romslo, Documentary, 2020, USA

REPRESENT

Equal parts personal and political, REPRESENT interweaves the stories of three women on both sides of the aisle who share the singular goal of improving their community through public service, and elevates both the systemic failings and unsung heroes at the heart of our "smallest" elections.

Hillary Bachelder, Documentary, 2020, USA

SHEEP HERO

Stijn's is a traditional shepherd in a neoliberal world, and his environment is closing in on him. In an over-regulated society, his quest for freedom is a struggle almost too hard to bear. His resentment is palpable, but there is also his stubbornness and determination to see it through to the end. He wants to keep his herd and the heathlands healthy and faces many obstacles along the way. Who looks out for the cultural heritage that is sheep herding? And are we able to salvage beauty amongst all our freeways and advancing industrial zones and suburbs. Life will be irrevocably different if the herd goes, as with it the craft will also vanish. Is it too late to save Stijn's dream?

Ton van Zantvoort, Documentary, 2019, The Netherlands

SHOOT TO MARRY

Heartbroken filmmaker Steve Markle heads to L.A. to shoot a doc about Kate, a gifted artist and crush from his past. Suddenly Steve realizes he's found the perfect way to meet women: he'll ask them to be in his documentary! Hopping from city to city, Steve shoots with dozens of intriguing women from an eccentric hat maker to a dominatrix to his third-grade crush. What unfolds is a hilarious and poignant real-life romantic comedy about a filmmaker intent on finding love.

Steve Markle, Documentary, 2020, Canada

SOMEWHERE WITH NO BRIDGES

Twenty years after a beloved local fisherman, Richie Madeiras, goes missing off the shores of Martha's Vineyard, a distant cousin locates Richie's kind, indelible spirit in the stories of family, friends, and the sweeping sea which has defined their lives. A stirring, lyrical journey beneath the brusque, reticent surface of a New England fishing community.

Charles Frank, Documentary, 2020, USA

THE BOOK MAKERS

Don't you just love the smell of a good book? Humans have a tangible connection to physical books. It is this connection that leads the talented artists, authors, collectors, and historians who retain and preserve the artistry and craft of bookmaking. These individuals create books that manifest wonder and awe, carrying on traditions of producing physical books to coexist in harmony with a newly digital world. From the producers of California Typewriter, Won't You Be My Neighbor?, and The Kingmaker, and featuring interviews with Dave Eggers, Daniel Handler, Peter Koch, and many more. The Book Makers explores the world of book fairs and book obsessives, whose passion and dedication converge to keep the pleasurable and palpable acts of physical bookmaking and book-reading alive.

James Kennard, Documentary, 2020, USA

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WHAT IS A VIRTUAL FILM FESTIVAL?

Our goal is to create a virtual Woods Hole Film Festival that is as close as possible to an in-person Woods Hole Film Festival experience in scope and style. The Festival experience will include daily streaming and live events: Film Screenings via the WHFF streaming platform; Live Events via video and web-conferencing; including Q&A's with filmmakers; Workshops and Panel Discussions with the Filmmakers-In-Residence and other special guests; Kids Day; Special Events; Music; Filmmaker Chats; Screenplay Winner Staged- Reading; Awards Presentation, and more.

SATURDAY - JULY 25 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

Give or Take

Suggested Watch: 6:00pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Born Into The Gig

Suggested Watch: 7:00pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

Opening Night Party

featuring Monica Rizzio
10:00pm

**Free Daily Live
Filmmaker Chats
from July 18
through August 1
at 9:00am & 10:00 am
via Facebook and YouTube**

SUNDAY - JULY 26 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

Kids Day: Celestial

Suggested Watch: 1:00pm

Kids Day: Me & My Robot

Suggested Watch: 3:00pm

Evan Hodges: Film Scoring Master Class

4:00pm

Sheep Hero

Suggested Watch: 3:30pm | Live Q&A: 5:00pm

Life in Synchro

Suggested Watch: 5:00pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

Finding Courage

Suggested Watch: 5:30pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

Entangled

Suggested Watch: 6:30pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

The Book Makers

Suggested Watch: 7:30pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

Dramarama

Suggested Watch: 8:00pm | Live Q&A: 10:00pm

MONDAY - JULY 27 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

The Feeling Through Experience: Feeling Through

1:00pm

Laura Nix Master Class

3:00pm

Bullied

Suggested Watch: 3:30pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

Youngstown U.S.A.

Suggested Watch: 5:30pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

Thank You 5

Suggested Watch: 6:00pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Picture of His Life

Suggested Watch: 7:30pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

Body Swap

Suggested Watch: 8:30pm | Live Q&A: 10:00pm

TUESDAY - JULY 28 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

Workshop: A Primer on Immersive Audio

Beyond Surround Sound; Jay Sheehan
11:00am

John Edginton is The Doc Doc

1:00pm

Shibil

Suggested Watch: 1:00pm | Live Q&A: 3:00pm

Public Trust

Suggested Watch: 3:00pm | Live Q&A: 5:00pm

Shoot To Marry

Suggested Watch: 4:30pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

Raise Your Voice

Suggested Watch: 6:00pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

Decoding Watson

Suggested Watch: 6:00pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Money Machine

Suggested Watch: 7:30pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

The Hill and The Hole

Suggested Watch: 8:30pm | Live Q&A: 10:00pm



WEDNESDAY - JULY 29 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

How to (Virtual) Festival Workshop

3:00pm

Laura Nix Panel: Creating a Meaningful Impact Campaign

4:00pm

Warrior Women

Suggested Watch: 4:30pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

From Wounded Knee to Stand- ing Rock: A Reporter's Journey

Suggested Watch: 5:30pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

Songs for a Sloth

Suggested Watch: 6:30pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Somewhere With No Bridges

Suggested Watch: 7:30pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

The Silent Party

Suggested Watch: 8:00pm | Live Q&A: 10:00pm

Wednesday Night Party

featuring Kim Moberg
10:30pm

THURSDAY - JULY 30 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

Case Study: The Reunited States

1:00pm

Patrick Smith Animation Workshop

3:00pm

Love & Stuff

Suggested Watch: 3:30pm | Live Q&A: 5:00pm

No Fear No Favor

Suggested Watch: 4:30pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

Nowhere

Suggested Watch: 5:00pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

Where Is Nancy?

Suggested Watch: 6:30pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Being Dead

Suggested Watch: 7:00pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

Fish & Men

Suggested Watch: 8:30pm | Live Q&A: 10:00pm

Thursday Night Party

featuring The Jitters
10:30pm

FRIDAY - JULY 31 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

Film & Science Panel

1:00pm

Toprak

Suggested Watch: 1:00pm | Live Q&A: 3:00pm

As We Are

Suggested Watch: 4:30pm | Live Q&A: 5:00pm

Medicating Normal

Suggested Watch: 4:30pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

Represent

Suggested Watch: 5:00pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

The Disrupted

Suggested Watch: 6:00pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Baato

Suggested Watch: 7:30pm | Live Q&A: 9:00pm

The Last Days of Capitalism

Suggested Watch: 8:30pm | Live Q&A: 10:00pm

Friday Night Party

featuring Crooked Coast
10:30pm

SATURDAY - AUGUST 1 -

Filmmaker Chats

9:00am & 10:00am (via Facebook and YouTube)

Microplastic Madness

Suggested Watch: 2:30pm | Live Q&A: 4:00pm

Zoro's Solo

Suggested Watch: 3:00pm | Live Q&A: 5:00pm

Mayor

Suggested Watch: 4:00pm | Live Q&A: 6:00pm

Current Sea

Suggested Watch: 5:30pm | Live Q&A: 7:00pm

The Reunited States

Suggested Watch: 6:30pm | Live Q&A: 8:00pm

Closing Night Party

with James Montgomery and Steve Restaino
10:00pm

SUNDAY - AUGUST 2 -

WHFF Awards Celebration

5:00pm

THE DISRUPTED

What do a farmer in Kansas, a laid-off factory worker in Ohio and an Uber driver in Florida have in common? All three are resourceful, positive thinkers who strive to adapt and thrive despite dehumanizing forces at play in the American economy. As these everyday people face their personal roadblocks with courage, certain ideals remain sacred: family, love, and staying strong in the face of adversity. Ultimately, "The Disrupted" reveals a collective American experience of financial challenge, family resilience, and the quest for purpose.

Sarah Colt, Josh Gleason, Documentary, 2020, USA

THE REUNITED STATES

Over the past several years, political divisions have cut through every aspect of American society; through our communities, our workplaces, our friendships, even through our own families. There is, however, a growing movement of people who recognize this polarization as the single greatest threat to our democracy, and they're working tirelessly to build bridges across the divide. The Re-united States is a feature documentary that profiles people who have dedicated their lives to promoting depolarization and communication across the political divide.

Ben Rekhi, Documentary, 2020, USA

WARRIOR WOMEN

In the 1970s, with the swagger of unapologetic Indian-ness, organizers of the American Indian Movement (AIM) fought for Native liberation and survival as a community of extended families. One such AIM leader, Madonna Thunder Hawk, shaped a kindred group of activists' children - including her own daughter Marcy - into the "We Will Remember" Survival School as a Native alternative to government-run education. Together, Madonna and Marcy fought for Native rights in an environment that made them more comrades than mother/daughter. Today, with Marcy now a mother herself, both are still at the forefront of Native issues, fighting against the environmental devastation of the Dakota Access Pipeline and for Indigenous cultural values.

Elizabeth A. Castle, Christina D. King, Documentary, 2018, USA

WHERE IS NANCY?

Nancy Paulikas, who was diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's disease, was visiting the Los Angeles County Museum of Art with her husband and family on October 15, 2016. Just before leaving the museum, her husband dropped Nancy off at the women's restroom and proceeded to the men's restroom. When he returned, she was gone. This film follows the constant search for her and uncovers the gaps in the USA's social and health systems. Is she still alive? If so, Where is Nancy?

Thiago DaDalt, Documentary, 2020, USA

YOUNGSTOWN U.S.A.

When the steel mills shut down in Youngstown Ohio, it shattered a way of life. Over half the population left, leaving thousands of empty, blighted homes and eroding the social fabric of this once mighty industrial base. It is a familiar tale, but there's a different story emerging in Youngstown today. A new generation of residents is able to envision a new future, and they are working to make a life for themselves in their hometown. Youngstown U.S.A. is a testimony to the humble but profound resilience and dedication it takes to transform a community, and a crucial story in this time of extreme inequality, divisiveness, upheaval and uncertainty.

Karla Murthy, Documentary, 2020, USA

SHORT FILMS

SHORTS: ART IN MANY FORMS

Beyond Noh

Patrick Smith, Animated, 2020, USA/Japan, 4

Rhythmical animation of 3,475 individual masks from all over the world, beginning with the distinctive masks of the Japanese Noh theater and continuing on a cultural journey through ritual, utility, deviance, and politics.

Office Song

Marcus Markou, Dramatic, 2020, United Kingdom, 15

The inner world of ordinary office workers and their humdrum lives bursts into life with poetry and something greater than the sum of their tedious working day.

Nightsongs

Matthew Boulton, Elizabeth Myer, Documentary, 2020, USA, 6

A little-known wonder of the world that happens every spring and fall, right over our heads, under cover of darkness.

The Prisoner

Harvey Eaton, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 5

A young woman tries to escape her oppressive marriage, but as her suffocating anxiety grows, she is unsure if she can.

Bag

Robin Frohardt, Animated, 2020, USA, 8

An all-cardboard ode to the foreverness of plastic.

Making Samantha

Allison Glock-Cooper, T Cooper, Documentary, 2020, USA, 11

27 trans actors make a music video to tell the story of the universal human journey to find identity, acceptance and love.

Portraitist

Cyrus Neshvad, Dramatic, 2019, Luxembourg, 16

A grandfather kindles a relationship with his dying granddaughter through art.

As We Are

Michael R. Faulkner, Documentary, 2019, USA, 25

With the piano, tuba and his mother by his side, a young autistic man prepares for a life changing concert.

SHORTS: BREAKING THE CYCLE

Cotton Candy

Fredgy Noël, Comedy, 2020, USA, 11

Age-old conflicts arise between two young entrepreneurs when they claim the same cotton candy route.

American Bodies

Rammy Park, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 11

It's a routine day for the women working inside the shipping and packaging facility at the American Bodies Manufactory... until an unexpected delivery reveals an awful truth.

Knocking Down The Fences

Meg Shutzer, Documentary, 2019, USA, 12

AJ Andrews, one of the best professional softball players in the world, is the first woman to win a Rawlings Gold Glove.

Crescendo

Lizzie Germann, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 20

An ambitious opera singer fights to maintain her stature while silently struggling with a trauma inflicted by her peer.

Mirror

Christina Yoon, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 12

A Korean immigrant with a severely scarred face visits a black market hospital in Queens to seek plastic surgery.

Pepper

Jayil Pak, Dramatic, 2018, South Korea, 15

When the Korean goddess of birth visits a maternity ward to grant a couple their son, an unforeseen ghost alters her plan.

Wild & Wool

Phillip Baribeau, Documentary, 2020, USA, 23

Bighorn sheep, an icon of the American West, battle to survive as contact with an infectious disease threaten these wild herds. A dedicated research team races to understand the complexities and challenges of the illness before the next outbreak.

SHORTS: DATING IS EASY

Pieces

Dylan Boom, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 7

Four different couples, from four different age groups face a similarly tenuous moment in their relationship.

Like Holy Wine

Leonora Pitts, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 11

Heartbroken and unable to leave after a breakup, a woman speaks her final words to her lover, through dance.

Anna

Dekel Berenson, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 15

Living in war-torn Eastern Ukraine Anna is an aging single mother who is desperate for a change.

Boys & Toys

Kevin P. Alexander, Comedy, 2020, USA, 13

30-something Abby hits on a younger guy at a bar. Things get awkward when it turns out she already knows him.

The Keeper

Bob Celli, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 14

A lonely widow and a lover of art meet at a speed dating event.

to the flame

Gerri Uley, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 15

Zoe has fallen for Paul but something as small and luminous as an insect reveals deeper problems in their love affair.

High Card

Conner Keesling, Comedy, 2020, USA, 15

Two people who decide to become intimate for the first time distract themselves with comforting conversation.

SHORTS: DON'T LOOK NOW

Waking

Eli Schwartz, Dramatic, 2018, USA, 15

A man is plagued by nightmares in the wake of his mother's death that threaten his grasp on reality.

The Blood Bride

Caspar Leopard,Hannah Mckibbin, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 19

When a young woman held captive by a trafficking gang is shot, she falls into a surreal journey through her subconscious as she battles for her life.

Beckoned

Richard Zelniker, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 19

A young couple on their way to celebrate their anniversary gets stranded on the road.

Motel

Eric Ogden, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 26

Caitlin hots up in a secluded motel with her distressed younger sister.

Hammurabi

Patrick Kennelly, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 10

A pregnant deaf woman is inspired to kidnap a man she believes is her abusive birth father.

In the Mirrors

Merlin Comazzi, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 7

Clara discovers she has much bigger problems than a nerve-wracking meeting when her airbnb turns out to be haunted by invisible creatures.

SHORTS: EPIPHANY

White Guys Solve Sexism

Christopher Guerrero, Comedy, 2019, USA, 6

Because of the Harvey Weinstein scandal, two men realize that all of their favorite movies are now sexist, leading them down a dark path of discovery.

Dear Eloise

Bryan E. Murphy, Dramatic, 2018, USA, 5

Sometimes perfection just isn't enough.

Balloon

Jeremy Merrifield, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 17

Surviving junior high becomes impossible when 14-year-old Sam becomes the target of the school's next viral video.

Flat-Earther

Chris Wronka, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 11

Seb and Clara's relationship is tested when Seb begins to escape into the fantasy of Flat-Earth theory.

Hermit

Aimiende Negbenebor Sela, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 15

On a night that would've marked their eighteenth wedding anniversary, a grieving husband comes to terms with the loss of his soulmate.

Coffee Shop Names

Deepak Sethi, Comedy, 2020, USA, 8

Three friends discuss their "coffee shop names" and personas they use because their names are hard to pronounce.

Qafas

Dayna Li, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 11

Rising tensions within and outside their home threaten to tear a family of four apart during the Syrian War in Aleppo.

Hung Up

Damon O'Steen, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 13

Shattered Texan Latina bull rider Patty "Duke" risks paralysis to ride again and reclaim her glory.

Island Queen

Jenn Harris,Zackary Grady, Comedy, 2019, USA, 10

On the day a teenage hockey player secretly plans to try out for the figure skating team, he gets trapped on a ferry boat by its captain whose only focus is to get to a festival for a famous film about a shark.

SHORTS: EVERYDAY HEROES

The Sand Castle

Eliezer Katzoff,Eli Katzoff, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 5

A little girl engages in a fantasy of battling the ocean from destroying her sand castle with help from an imaginary soldier.

Pioneer Pizza

Wesley Shrum, Documentary, 2020, Kenya, 19

A missionary couple moves to the Rift Valley in Africa and adopts nine Kenyan teenagers--in addition to their own.

Adnan

Steven Chatterton,Mark Arrigo, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 15

A ten year old refugee boy must use all his creativity to break through his mother's PTSD.

Islander

Derek Pastuszek, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 12

The storm took everything... and everyone... but, now, the pieces have begun to wash ashore.

My Hero

Logan Jackson, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 13

As last-minute plans for a babysitter fall apart, eight-year-old Brandon is left alone to oversee his younger brother Mason.

The Worcester 6: Heroes Remembered

David Shilale, Documentary, 2019, USA, 21

Six brave men, the families they left behind, and a fire department that will never forget.

SHORTS: FAMILIES ARE COMPLICATED

Odd Bird

Katy Dore, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 9

When a young man makes the long drive home to share his truth with his conservative family, he fears it's the last time he'll be welcome.

Tamarack

Justin Bull, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 12

A woman reconstructs a disturbing childhood vacation, filled with unsettling rituals rooted in family history.

EXT

Adrian Bobb, Animated, 2020, Canada, 9

Two-hundred years after humanity has abandoned the real world for a digital one, a security agent must figure out how to deal with a threat from a world no one has seen for centuries.

If Anything Happens I Love You

Michael Govier, Will McCormack, Animated, 2020, USA, 13

Parents struggle to come to terms with a devastating loss.

Oh, Sorry

Ryan Welsh, Justin Giddings, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 15

A grieving young woman leans on her younger brother for emotional support until a spontaneous night out forces her to confront her denial.

The News

Lorin Terezi, Dramatic, 2020, Albania, Spain, 20

An entire small town battles to get coverage on national television after a corpse is discovered.

Gamp

Rachel Wolther, Comedy, 2020, USA, 23

Estranged sisters must avoid both financial and familial ruin by successfully revamping their family puppet show business.

Special Guests

Award Winning Animator **Patrick Smith** presents a Master Class in Animation

Documentary Filmmaker **John Edginton** returns at the Doc Doctor

Emmy nominee **Evan Hodges** presents a Master Class in Film Scoring

Emmy Award Winner Documentary Filmmaker **Jeff Orlowski** panelist
Film and Science: discusses his new film
The Social Dilemma

SHORTS: FIGHTING BACK

Safety Work

Cheryl Isaacson, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 6

A jaded young actress ends her day at a budget motel where she must face her choices.

Abortion Helpline, This is Lisa

Mike Attie, Janet Goldwater, Barbara Attie, Documentary, 2019, USA, 13

At the abortion helpline in Philadelphia, phone counselors—all called Lisa—arrive each morning to the nonstop ring of calls from people who are seeking to end a pregnancy and can't afford to.

Invasion: The Unist'ot'en's Fight for Sovereignty

Sam Vinal, Michael Toledano, Documentary, 2019, Canada, 18

In this era of "reconciliation", Indigenous land is still being taken at gunpoint. INVASION is a new film about the Unist'ot'en Camp, Gidim'en checkpoint and the larger Wet'suwet'en Nation standing up to the Canadian government and corporations who continue colonial violence against Indigenous people.

A-Tien

Yueh-Tzu Sun, Dramatic, 2020, Taiwan, 21

A freelance taxi driver stands up to the big ride share corporation.

The Opioid Epidemic: A Mother's Reckoning

Monica Cohen, Hortense Gerardo, Documentary, 2020, USA, 7

The human toll of the opioid epidemic from the point of view of a mother whose son struggled with substance addiction.

End-O

Alice Seabright, Comedy, 2019, United Kingdom, 15

Jaq wants to have sex, but her Endometriosis is out to sabotage her.

Litany for Mister President

Christopher Meyers, Comedy, 2019, USA, 21

Dom Copley becomes unhinged with grief and anger after the most precious thing in the world is taken from him - His beloved cat, Mister President.

SHORTS: FINDING YOUR PLACE

She

Matt Greenhalgh, Dramatic, 2020, United Kingdom, 5

A frantic young woman on the edge, flees the confines of her inner city madness to discover freedom, love and... herself.

The Beez & The Chickadeez

Chris Milton, Comedy, 2019, USA, 19

A young couple in high school decide to lose their virginity but it doesn't go according to plan.

Ex Disposer

Daniel Ferrer, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 19

The former drummer for a hardcore group discovers his old band is returning home after a tour.

Milford

Seth Barnatt, Nathan Barnatt, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 15

A man living in a small town struggles with his decision to finally do something with his life.

Mars Colony

Noël Fuzellier, Dramatic, 2019, France, 34

A troubled teenager has sci-fi dreams of a better life on Mars.

SHORTS: FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Dancer By The Sea

Barbara Mones, Animated, 2018, USA, 10

A lonely widowed older woman who lives by the sea finds and adopts an abandoned baby otter.

The Mushroom Huntress

Jim Picariello, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 10

Leigh attempts to support herself by capitalizing on her love of wild mushrooms, and discovers a family secret along the way.

MY 25: The Ocean Between Us

Inka Cresswell, Documentary, 2019, United Kingdom, 15

An intimate story of how our oceans have changed during the lifetime of a 25-year-old marine biologist.

Kapaemahu

Joe Wilson, Dean Hamer, Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu, Animated, 2020, USA, 8

Long ago, four extraordinary individuals of dual male and female spirit brought the healing arts from Tahiti to Hawaii, and imbued four giant boulders with their powers.

The Mountain Dogs

Aynsley Floyd, Documentary, 2019, USA, 16

Every day for over a decade, Sampson and Baylor, two elderly golden retrievers, climb to the top of the Pinnacle Trail in Stowe, Vermont, unaccompanied by their owners.

Celestial

Jack Gordon, Documentary, 2020, USA, 28

A student crew uses their knowledge of the ancient art of celestial navigation in a prestigious sailing race to discover a pure form of sailing and a new connection to the sea.

The Magical Forest And The Things

Dave Russo, Animated, 2020, USA, 4

A 6-year-old narrator teams up with an illustrator during Covid19 to tell a hand drawn story about human consumption and the social reinforcements that affect it.

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SHORTS: HELLO, STRANGER

Steve of the Antarctic

Edan Lacey, Clem McIntosh, Comedy, 2020, Antarctica, 3

On a solo trek to the south pole, mountaineer Steve Shields is faced with a wildly unexpected obstacle.

Circus Act

Penny Penniston, Comedy, 2020, USA, 6

In his big-top boudoir, an over-eager clown puts his best seduction moves on a womanly bouquet of balloons.

A Storybook Ending

Lanre Olabisi, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 18

A black man accidentally kills a white cop in self-defense, and the cover-up sets off a chain reaction of deceit, blackmail, and murder.

Distant Sky

Gareth Peeters, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 16

A bereaved man kidnaps and threatens an innocent victim from a parallel world.

Have Wine, Will Travel

Joe Pezzula, Comedy, 2019, USA, 18

A woman battling a hangover gets tangled up with three scientists suffering equipment malfunctions.

Transfer

Aaron Pagniano, Sage Mears, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 11

Bridget unexpectedly interviews her replacement.

Bliss Is Orange

Jenna Kanell, Comedy, 2020, USA, 6

Claire's world is turned upside down when the chip implanted in her wrist notifies her that the love of her life is a nearby stranger.

Feeling Through

Doug Roland, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 18

A teen-in-need's reluctant act of kindness toward a DeafBlind man becomes a night-long journey, creating a bond between them that gives the teen hope for the future.

Cold Storage

Thomas Freundlich, Comedy, 2016, Finland, 9

On a desolate arctic shore, a lonely ice fisherman discovers his prehistoric counterpart frozen in the sea ice.

SHORTS: HOME?

Furthest From

Kyung Sok Kim, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 19

When a water contamination issue forces a trailer park to be closed, a young girl must come to terms with leaving everything and everyone she's ever known behind.

Savage

Denis Dobrovoda, Dramatic, 2018, United Kingdom, 15

A man brought over from Africa to serve as an exhibit at a British colonial exposition tries to escape his captors and recover his dignity.

The Woman Under The Tree

Karishma Kohli, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 15

A homeless woman in South Beach, spends much of her time sitting under a tree, watching the life of a family unfold in a house across the street.

Border Nation

Jason Jaacks, Documentary, 2020, USA, 19

Ofelia Rivas was born just north of the U.S.-Mexico border, a place her ancestors have called home since time immemorial. Today, Tohono O'odham tribal members live on both sides of the border. But with an increasingly militarized border, can Ofelia's traditional way of life survive?

Home for the Night

Loi Huynh, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 12

Two siblings who are forced to live out of their car after the foreclosure of their family home.

Housekeeping

Andrew Margetson, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 18

A business traveller strikes up an unusual relationship with a hotel chambermaid.

Lost Angeles

Jonny Zwick, Jonathan Scott Parker, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 8

A man, tortured in isolation, must work up the courage to leave his house - and safety - to find his family before time runs out in post apocalyptic Los Angeles.

SHORTS: LOOKING BACK

Kaddish

Razid Season, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 14

The emotional journey of a young Ashkenazim who attempts to visit his mother's grave on Yahrzeit during the Holocaust.

Dear Georgina

Ben Pender-Cudlip, Adam Mazo, Documentary, 2019, USA, 15

A Passamaquoddy elder tries to sharpen the blurry outlines of her identity.

Myrtle Simpson: A Life On Ice

Leigh Anne Sides, Documentary, 2019, USA, 34

An unsung hero of the era, Myrtle Simpson vividly recounts her adventures on the ice 50 years after she became the first woman to cross Greenland's polar ice cap.

Without A Whisper - Konnón:kwe

Katsitsionni Fox, Documentary, 2020, USA, 27

The untold story of how Indigenous women influenced the women's rights movement.

MUSIC AT THE FESTIVAL:

Monica Rizzio

Kim Moberg

The Jitters

Crooked Coast

James Montgomery and
Steve Restaino



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SHORTS: MUSINGS ON MORTALITY

Rigor Mortis

Charles Kinnane, Comedy, 2019, USA, 4

A rookie mortician gets the surprise of his life when the body he just embalmed tries to leave the funeral home.

Split Second

Julianne Donelle, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 13

A young woman is shoved out of a cafe moments before a grenade is detonated - by the very man who commits the attack.

Leave 'em Laughing

Marc Cashman, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 15

A confused middle-aged divorced writer, oddly finds clarity after witnessing a famous stand-up comedian's farewell performance.

Matriarch

Julia Keelan Angley, Comedy, 2020, USA, 12

As their mother lays on her death bed, her two adult daughters argue over who will inherit her fur coat.

The Ultimate (by Lou Fescano)

Daniel Jaffe, Comedy, 2019, USA, 17

Nicole returns home after her high school ex, Lou dies very unexpectedly - leaving behind a very bad script. Lou's brother feels compelled to see made into a film.

The Morning Walk

Marc Harpsøe, Sophie Gohr, Amalie Gissel, Louise Hylland, Dramatic, 2020, Denmark, 22

Two elderly women's youthful perception of the world takes an unexpected ethical turn by the delivery of hard news.

Grab My Hand: A Letter to My Dad

Pedro Piccinini, Camrus Johnson, Animated, 2019, United Kingdom, 6

Camrus Johnson's gift to his grieving father and a message to all to cherish every second you have with loved ones while you still can.

Champagne & Cyanide

Li Hagman Schmalenbach, Comedy, 2019, Sweden, 13

A dark comedy about a failed son reluctantly helping his old, hospitalized father to die.

SHORTS: PLANS B - Z

My Dinner With Werner

Maverick Moore, Comedy, 2019, USA, 18

A wildly bizarre and wacky farce about a 1987 dinner date with a murder plot as the main dish - based on real events, real people, and real things they actually said.

Name Crew: Tiny Toones

Arestia Rosenberg, Documentary, 2020, USA, 17

Tuy was born in a refugee camp and emigrated to Long Beach, eventually succumbing to gang life. At 19, he was arrested and deported to Cambodia. He saw that kids there had it much worse than he did growing up, and decided to help give them a better chance than he had by starting a hip hop and breakdancing school.

Name Escapes Me

Humphrey Gibbs, Dramatic, 2018, United Kingdom, 20

A couple's fragile unity is threatened when they have to decide whether their only child could be capable of a heinous crime.

Singlehanded

Stash Wislocki, Documentary, 2020, USA, 8

Despite having no sailing experience, Dustin Reynolds sets out to become the first double amputee to sail around the world.

Tired Eyes

Ryan Martin Brown, Comedy, 2020, USA, 9

Tired Eyes has have a gig tonight in the city, which means schlepping their gear from a cramped practice space in Buschwick to a small venue in the middle of Manhattan.

My Other Suit is Human

Andrew Paul Montague, Dramatic, 2020, United Kingdom, 18

A young couple, grieving the loss of their son, reach a difficult point in their relationship as they both struggle to cope.

SHORTS: THE BIGGEST GAMBLE IN THE WORLD

Freeze

Maya Albanese, Comedy, 2020, USA, 14

When Joy's fairytale romance crashes and burns on the eve of her 35th birthday, the deafening TICK-TOCK of her biological clock pushes her to try new things.

motherhood

David Tyson Lam, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 10

When a woman desperate to connect with her husband is hindered by their unwanted child, dire consequences unfold.

Honour Thy Mother

Yinghui Fu, Dramatic, 2019, China/USA, 17

Liz is adrift, and living in her car. In a moment of despair and loneliness, she decides to return home after many years to her God-fearing mother.

Blocks

Bridget Moloney, Comedy, 2019, USA, 12

A mother of two young children begins to spontaneously vomit plastic toy blocks.

Jane

Kathryn Prescott, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 16

A young woman suffering from heroin addiction receives an invite to her estranged 4-year-old daughter's birthday party later that day.

A Trip with Mom

Sophie SHUI, Dramatic, 2019, Taiwan, 28

A depressed, unemployed man takes his live-in mother on a trip to the city.

SHORTS: THE BLUE BETWEEN US

Divergent Warmth

Megan Lubetkin, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 10

An exploratory descent to a divergent boundary in the deep submergence vehicle Alvin.

Stories from the Blue: Disentangling Extinction

Shannon Shikles, Documentary, 2020, USA, 7

Charles "Stormy" Mayo has spent his career studying and disentangling north Atlantic right whales in and around Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary.

Beyond the Gulf Stream

Kyle Maddux-Lawrence, Documentary, 2019, USA, 11

Follow scientists as they try to understand how coastal waters interact with deep ocean waters at Cape Hatteras, NC.

Lessons from Jeju

Nicole Gormley, Documentary, 2020, USA, 13

A professional freediver takes a trip to the island of Jeju to meet her heroes - a group of freediving and fishing women often regarded as Korea's first working mothers.

Against the Tide: Shellfish Growers Push Back on Climate Change

Liz Georges, Sally McGee, Documentary, 2019, USA, 18

The personal stories of shellfish growers who are changing the game on climate.

SHORTS: THE KIDS ARE ALRIGHT

Deuce

Alice Felgate, Dramatic, 2018, UK/USA, 9

A girl checks into a beautifully remote five-star hotel - but what is she up to?

Alina

Rami Kodeih, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 26

A gang of women in the Warsaw Ghetto risks everything to smuggle their friend's three-month-old baby to safety.

Remember When

Paola Ossa, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 15

When a young hispanic boy is left home alone with his 8 year old sister for the first time, he must find her when she goes missing in their unwelcoming trailer park community.

Mouse

David Bartlett, Dramatic, 2019, United Kingdom, 17

Seven-year-old Roma girl, Helene, hides from the Nazis in a decaying Weimar Cabaret Club in Berlin.

The City Behind Us: The Story of the Elmora Troopers

Bob Burnett, Wonka Swenson, Documentary, 2020, USA, 20

The Elmora Troopers, a Little League team from Elizabeth, N.J., made it all the way to the Little League World Series and caught the attention and love of their city, and eventually the whole nation.

Under the Lights

Miles Levin, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 10

A boy with epilepsy is so desperate to feel like a regular kid, he goes to prom knowing that the lights will make him have a seizure.

SHORTS: UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES

Drinking for Two

Kyle Trainor, Comedy, 2019, USA, 16

Richard and Jess need to make it through an evening with Jess' family without spilling the beans on their big secret.

Broadside

Brittany Brock, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 12

A family hunting trip is derailed after a fatal accident occurs.

Therapy

Nelson Kim, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 3

After an argument with her boyfriend, a woman vents to her therapist.

A HOLE

Molly Murphy, Animated, 2020, USA, 10

In a black hole apocalypse, one man claims to have the answer. That man's name: Rob Bilford.

Duel

Mark Kiefer, Comedy, 2019, USA, 7

Two colonial era Massachusetts gentlemen square off in a battle of both weapons and wits.

Shared Assumptions

Keaton Stewart, Dramatic, 2019, Australia, 15

Motivated by Islamophobic comments on social media, a family man kidnaps a stranger.

Deceased Ones

Kate Hopkins, Comedy, 2019, USA, 14

Two friends get involved in the niche service of role playing the dead.

Master Maggie

Matthew Bonifacio, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 22

A celebrity acting coach is interrupted by an unknown actor begging for her help for a TV audition.

SHORTS: WELCOME TO THE PARTY

The Woodpecker

Jake Goicoechea, Will Carington, Courtney Bush, Comedy, 2019, USA, 8

On his way to an animal-themed housewarming party, Richard stops at CVS and calls a close friend for advice about his costume.

The Reveal

Kevan McClellan, Chloe Lanier, Comedy, 2020, USA, 17

Stalling It

Jemma Moore, Caroline Ward, Comedy, 2020, United Kingdom, 7

Five toilets, three bridesmaids, one pregnancy test, one nosy neighbour... zero ideas of what to do next.

One Wing in the Fire

Maximilian Armstrong, Documentary, 2019, USA, 14

Hikers on the Appalachian Trail get a little help from a benevolent, chain-smoking Trail Angel who drives the only white van you want to accept candy from.

I Can Change

Jim Jenkins, Comedy, 2020, USA, 15

The night before his wedding, an underachiever receives the power to stop time, so he attempts to make major life changes his fiancé wants him to make, all before morning.

1-1

Naures Sager, Comedy, 2020, Sweden, 7

Ayman's sex date with Jonas gets crashed by his friends Amirah and Samir, and takes a positive turn.

They Won't Last

Portlynn Tagavi, Comedy, 2019, USA, 16

After attending a friend's perfect wedding, commitment-averse Christine is forced to make a life-changing decision when her boyfriend Alex proposes to her.

blackhole.

Holly Pilcavage, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 19

Four storylines set in the hours before a black hole swallows earth, play out with varying congruence.

SHORTS: WHAT DID I JUST WATCH?

Clementine Skin

Caroline Chaffotte, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 4

An examination of an individual's struggle with addiction through the allegory of a clementine.

Grapefruit

Zach Bell, Comedy, 2020, USA, 10

When a grapefruit magically transforms into a human, she must search for her true love before sunset or else transform back into her original form.

Jeff Drives You

Aidan Brezonick, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 17

A lonely gay man falls in love with an artificially intelligent car over the course of a road trip.

For the Goblins

Hypnus Yao, Dramatic, 2020, USA, 16

An ordinary undergraduate is forced to teach an eccentric Goblin to act like a human being in seven days.

Eat the Rainbow

Brian C Benson, Comedy, 2019, USA, 20

A musical comedy fable about a kind stranger who moves into a conservative neighborhood, causing panic.

Play Along

Connor Rog, Brian Hogan, Dramatic, 2019, USA, 13

A woman makes her unlikely hostages sing a song, but in order to survive they have to learn to play along.

Unholy 'Mole

David Bornstein, Comedy, 2020, USA, 6

A selfish man sells the soul of his unborn child to the Devil in exchange for forcing his wife to make guacamole for him.

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