

**SAT., JULY 30 THROUGH SAT., AUGUST 6, 2022**

**The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual  
WOODS HOLE  
FILM FESTIVAL**



**woodsholefilmfestival.org  
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The 31st Annual

# WOODS HOLE FILM FESTIVAL



LIVE & VIRTUAL

Live Screenings and Events will be held at venues in Woods Hole, Falmouth and Cotuit. Virtual Screenings and Events will be available on the streaming platform at any time during the Festival. See schedule below for more information.

MONDAY, JULY 25 - FRIDAY, JULY 29

## BEFORE THE FESTIVAL

Hosted Filmmaker Chats on Facebook Live, 10am daily, Don't miss this chance to meet the filmmakers before the Festival!

THURSDAY, JULY 28 • 7:30PM • REDFIELD AUDITORIUM

### SPECIAL EVENT SCREENING

#### BONNIE BLUE: JAMES COTTON'S LIFE IN THE BLUES

Support the Festival at a special fundraising screening. Join filmmakers Bestor Cram, James Montgomery and Judy Laster for a special screening of the new documentary film BONNIE BLUE: JAMES COTTON'S LIFE IN THE BLUES. James "Super Harp" Cotton's journey tracks America's history and his story is one of empowerment during a time when the weight of racial inequity made the journey seem impossible. Cotton's music made history; his musical voice was unique, and the blues were never the same.



## SATURDAY

- July 30 -

### The Butterfly in the Sky

2:00pm • Redfield

### The Lake at the Bottom of the World

4:00pm • Redfield

### SHORTS: Be The Change

5:30pm • FA-Morse Hall

### The Big Bend

6:15pm • Redfield

### SHORTS: Conversations

8:00pm • FA-Morse Hall

### Fire of Love

8:30pm • Redfield

### Opening Night Party

10:00pm • Captain Kidd



## SUNDAY

- July 31 -

### The Yin & Yang of Gerry Lopez

2:00pm • Redfield

### SHORTS: Art In Many Forms

3:00pm • Clapp Auditorium

### Free Renty: Lanier v. Harvard

4:00pm • Redfield

### Scrum

Preceded By: Love Languages

5:15pm • Clapp Auditorium

### Dear Zoe

5:15pm • FA-Simon Center

### After Antarctica

7:00pm • Redfield

### The Long Rider

7:30pm • Clapp Auditorium

### "Wake Up, Leonard"

Preceded By: There Are Mermaids in LA

7:30pm • FA-Simon Center

Ⓢ A Bringing Science to the Screen screening.

Ⓛ This film/program screens live only.

## MONDAY

- August 1 -

### PANEL: From Pole to Pole - Documenting Climate Change in Extreme Locations

2:00pm • Redfield

### SHORTS: Thicker Than Water

4:00pm • Redfield

### SHORTS: Modern Problems

5:00pm • Clapp Auditorium

### Miles From Nowhere

5:30pm • FA-Morse Hall

### Exposure

6:15pm • Redfield

### Fashion Reimagined

7:30pm • Clapp Auditorium

### Hékate

8:00pm • FA-Morse Hall

### The Mirror Game

8:30pm • Redfield

## TUESDAY

- August 2 -

### MASTER CLASS: Tasha Van Zandt

2:30pm • Community Hall

### The Territory

Preceded By: O'SfO (What They've Been Taught)

4:00pm • Redfield

### The House We Lived In

5:00pm • Clapp Auditorium

### On These Grounds

5:00pm • FA-Simon Center

### Route One North

Preceded By: The Errand

6:15pm • Redfield

### The Chisels Are Calling

Followed by a concert with special guest Julian Lage, guitarist featured in the film.

7:30pm • FA-Simon Center

### From the Hood to the Holler

7:30pm • Clapp Auditorium

### SHORTS: It's Getting Dark In Here

8:30pm • Redfield

## HOW TO FESTIVAL

The 31st Woods Hole Film Festival will be a combination of live and virtual screenings and events. Selecting the option that is best for you will depend on the Festival experience you prefer. You can also purchase tickets to a combination of live and virtual.



If you want to attend films in person...

### Options: TICKETS • TICKET PACKAGES

Patrons who prefer to attend live in-person screenings and events will have the option to purchase individual tickets and ticket packages to see any film at the in-person venues.

Ticket packages and individual tickets are on sale now.

Check website for updates and changes.

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**Saturday, July 30 through Saturday, August 6, 2022**

# 8 days of In-Person and Virtual Screenings, Workshops, Panel Discussions, Filmmaker Q&A's and more...



## How to Festival 2022

The 31st Festival will include both live and virtual screenings and events. Selecting the option that is best for you will depend on the Festival experience you prefer. Screening and event venues in Woods Hole: Redfield Auditorium (WHOI), Clapp Auditorium (MBL), Woods Hole Community Hall, Old Woods Hole Fire Station; Falmouth Academy; Cotuit Center for the Arts. Tickets packages and passes available now online at [woodsholefilmfestival.org](http://woodsholefilmfestival.org). Individual tickets available starting July 1. Festival box office at FireStation open daily starting July 18th. Masks required inside screening venues. Please note venues may have different rules. Check with the Festival prior to attending if you have questions.

**For more information about the films and events, including workshop, panel and event descriptions and film trailers check [www.woodsholefilmfestival.org](http://www.woodsholefilmfestival.org)**

### WEDNESDAY

- August 3 -

#### SHORTS: Moving Forward

4:00pm • Redfield

#### A Decent Home

5:00pm • Clapp Auditorium

#### MAU

5:30pm • Cotuit Center

#### Maybe Someday

5:30pm • FA-Morse Hall

#### Girl Talk

6:15pm • Redfield

#### Of Medicine and Miracles

7:30pm • Clapp Auditorium

#### Sweet Disaster

7:45pm • Cotuit Center

#### Vulveeta

8:00pm • FA-Morse Hall

#### Come Find Me

8:30pm • Redfield

#### Wednesday Night Live

Music by Kim Moberg  
10:00pm • Captain Kidd

### THURSDAY

- August 4 -

#### WORKSHOP: Multi-Channel Audio with Jay Sheehan

2:00pm • Community Hall

#### SHORTS: The Neighborhood

4:00pm • Redfield

#### Homebody

Preceded By: The Man of My Dreams  
5:30pm • FA-Morse Hall

#### The Thief Collector

6:15pm • Redfield

#### Northern Shade

7:45pm • FA-Morse Hall

#### 1-800-HOT-NITE

8:30pm • Redfield

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& VIRTUAL PASSES  
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### FRIDAY

- August 5 -

#### Fair Play

4:00pm • Redfield

#### Midday Black Midnight Blue

5:30pm • FA-Morse Hall

#### A Woman on the Outside

6:15pm • Redfield

#### SHORTS: Decisions Decisions

7:45pm • FA-Morse Hall

#### The Falconer

8:30pm • Redfield

#### Friday Night Dance Party

Music by Anna and the Moderns  
10:00pm • Captain Kidd

### SATURDAY

- August 6 -

#### SHORTS: Finding Our Way

3:00pm • Redfield

#### Zero Gravity

Preceded By: Shattering Star  
5:15pm • Redfield

#### Do I Need This?

5:30pm • FA-Simon Center

#### Master of Light

6:00pm • Clapp Auditorium

#### A Stage of Twilight

7:30pm • Redfield

#### Ranger

8:00pm • Clapp Auditorium

#### Closing Night Party and Awards Ceremony

10:00pm • Captain Kidd



← 2022 Festival Poster designed by Cape Cod Illustrator Jason Hart.

**If you want to watch films at home...**

**Options: VIRTUAL PASSES • TICKETS**

All films will be available on the Festival's Virtual Platform for the duration of the Festival. Patrons who prefer to attend virtually will have the option to purchase passes and tickets. If you purchase a pass or virtual ticket, you will be able to log into the streaming platform and watch a film at any time during the Festival. During the week of the Festival, you will also be able to purchase a pass or ticket to a film or event and watch it "on demand". Streaming access limited to the USA.

Passes on sale now.

**If you want to watch films at home AND attend live screenings...**

**Options: VIRTUAL PASSES • TICKETS • TICKET PACKAGES**

A patron who prefers a combination of in-person and virtual screenings and events will be able to purchase a virtual pass and ticket package, or individual tickets to single screenings.

During the week prior to the Festival we will host a number of Filmmaker Chats streaming on the Festival's Facebook page. These streaming events will be free and open to anyone on Facebook.

# The 31st Annual Woods Hole Film Festival

## DOCUMENTARY FEATURES

### After Antarctica 🌐

After Antarctica follows legendary polar explorer Will Steger's lifelong journey as an eyewitness to the greatest changes to the polar regions of our planet. Now, thirty years after his historic coast-to-coast expedition across the coldest continent on Earth, Steger heads out on the ice once again, at a time when he is not only known for being the first in history to complete these historic feats - he is also the last.

Tasha Van Zandt • USA • 2021 • 104 min.

### The Butterfly in the Sky 🌐

Reading Rainbow introduced millions of kids to the wonder and importance of books. Not only did the series insist on having kids speak to kids about their favorite stories, but Reading Rainbow introduced the world to one of the most adored television hosts of all time in LeVar Burton. In this wonderfully nostalgic look back at the origin story of Reading Rainbow, you're invited to learn about the foundation of a show that for 25 years dedicated itself to not only bringing literature into children's lives but delving behind the pages to the people, places, and things each new story explored.

Brett Whitcomb, Bradford Thomason • USA • 2022 • 87 min.

### The Chisels Are Calling

John Monteleone is one of the world's greatest guitar builders, and a living artist on permanent exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Featuring musical tributes and interviews with Mark Knopfler, Ben Harper, David Grisman, Woody Mann, Julian Lage and others, the film covers the multi-faceted artist whose guitars are known not only for their incredible sound, but also for their visually striking and innovative designs.

Trevor Laurence • USA • 2021 • 91 min.

### A Decent Home

When housing on the lowest rung of the American dream is being devoured by the wealthiest of the wealthy, whose dream are we serving? Issues of class and economic (im)mobility mean many mobile home park residents can't afford housing anywhere else. They are fighting for their homes - and their communities - as private equity firms and wealthy investors buy up parks, making sky-high returns on their investments while squeezing every last penny out of the mobile home owners who must pay rent for the land they live on.

Sara Terry • USA • 2021 • 87 min.

### Bonnie Blue: James Cotton's Life in the Blues

James "Super Harp" Cotton's life and musical journey tracks America's history and his story is one of empowerment during a time when the weight of racial inequity made the journey seem impossible. Bonnie Blue - James Cotton's Life in the Blues is a unique portrait of an era and its impact today. Cotton's music made history; his musical voice was unique, and the blues were never the same.

Bestor Cram • USA • 2022 • 86 min.

### Do I Need This?

A filmmaker interweaves her complicated relationship to her possessions with a journey into the homes and minds of her fellow Americans - from a hoarder to a monk and a colorful group of characters in between.

Kate Schermerhorn • USA • 2022 • 63 min.

### Exposure

Against all odds and polar advice, a Muslim chaplain, a French biologist, a Qatari princess and eight other women from the Arab World and the West attempt to ski across the melting Arctic sea ice to the North Pole. These boundary-breaking adventurers, led by veteran polar explorer Felicity Aston, navigate everything from frostbite and polar bear threats, to sexism and self-doubt in an intimate story of resilience, survival and global citizenry.

Holly Morris • USA • 2022 • 88 min.

### Fair Play

The unequal gendered division of labor in the home has long existed, with modern living only exacerbating the stress-filled dynamic between parenthood and work. With the global pandemic forcing millions of women out of the workforce, Fair Play follows four different

families on their journey to better balance care work at home, illustrating how we aren't really fighting about dishes in the sink, but much bigger societal problems.

Jennifer Siebel Newsom, Gretchen Miller • USA • 2022 • 88 min.

### Fashion Reimagined

Fashion designer Amy Powney of cult label Mother of Pearl is a rising star in the London fashion scene. Raised off-the-grid in rural England by activist parents, Amy has always felt uneasy about the devastating environmental impact of her industry. When she wins the coveted Vogue award for the Best Young Designer of the Year, which comes with a big cash prize, Amy decides to use the money to create a sustainable collection from field to finished garment, and transform her entire business. Over the following three years, her own personal revolution becomes the precursor of a much bigger, societal change.

Becky Hutner • UK/USA • 2022 • 92 min.

### Fire of Love 🌐

Katia and Maurice Kraft loved two things — each other and volcanoes. For two decades, the daring French volcanologist couple roamed the planet, chasing eruptions, documenting their discoveries. Ultimately, they lost their lives in a 1991 volcanic explosion, leaving a legacy that forever enriched our knowledge of the natural world. Director Sara Dosa and the filmmaking team fashion a lyrical celebration of the intrepid scientists' spirit of adventure, drawing from the Krafts' spectacular archive.

Sara Dosa • USA/Canada • 2022 • 94 min.

### Free Renty: Lanier v. Harvard

Tamara Lanier, is an African-American woman determined to force Harvard University to cede ownership of daguerreotypes of her great-great-grandfather, an enslaved man named Renty. The images are emblematic of the inhumanity of slavery, the racist science that supported it, and the white supremacy that continues to infect our society today.

David Grubin • USA • 2021 • 95 min.

### From the Hood to the Holler

Running in the Democratic primary for the U.S. Senate seat held by Mitch McConnell, Charles Booker attempts one of the biggest upsets in political history by challenging establishment-backed candidate Amy McGrath. His message is simple: Whether you are from the city "hood" — like Booker — or the Appalachian "holler", you are not invisible.

Pat McGee • USA • 2022 • 102 min.

### Girl Talk

Set in the cutthroat, male-dominated world of high school debate, where tomorrow's leaders are groomed, five girls on a top-ranked Massachusetts high school debate team strive to become the best debaters in the US, reminding us that equal rights and freedom of expression are worth fighting for, both within debate and beyond.

Lucia Small • USA • 2022 • 93 min.

### The House We Lived In

A decade in the making, a young filmmaker confronts addiction, family, and memory as he chronicles his father's journey to recover lost memories following a traumatic brain injury. Using experimental approaches with projected installations, he attempts to find those missing memories in hopes of finding the dad he used to know. As memories return in the form of dreams the family struggles with acceptance of this new version of their father.

Tim O'Donnell • USA • 2022 • 83 min.

### The Lake at the Bottom of the World 🌐

An international team of scientists explores a subglacial lake buried 3,600 feet beneath the Antarctic ice to reveal hidden truths about our planet's dynamic past. As they struggle against the ferocity of the ice and wind, they consider how our relationship with nature — and with one another — will impact humanity's future and the future of all life on our rapidly changing planet.

Kathy Kasic • USA • 2022 • 91 min.

### The Long Rider

When Filipe Leite leaves his adoptive home of Canada, the aspiring journalist sets out on an epic quest to ride from Calgary to his family's home in Brazil — and later beyond — entirely on horseback. Inspired by Aimé Tschiffely's 1925 equestrian journey, Filipe's 8 year odyssey of over 25,000 kms across 12 international borders,

sees the young immigrant battle intense heat, drought, speeding transport trucks, nature's wrath and corrupt border guards on his history-making long ride home.

Sean Cisterna • Canada • 2022 • 96 min.

### Master of Light

George Anthony Morton is a classical painter who spent ten years in federal prison for dealing drugs. While incarcerated, he nurtured his craft and unique artistic ability. Since his release, he is doing everything he can to defy society's unlevel playing field and tackle the white-dominant art world.

Rosa Ruth Boesten • USA • 2022 • 88 min.

### MAU

Over the span of his career, creative dark horse Bruce Mau has completed the transformation from world-class graphic designer to designer of the world. From advising global brands like Coca Cola and Disney, to rethinking a 1000-year plan for Mecca, Islam's holiest site to working with the greatest living architects on books and museums to rebranding nations such as Guatemala and Denmark, Bruce Mau is a pioneer of transformation design and the belief that design can be used to create positive change in our world.

Jono Bergmann, Benjamin Bergmann • Austria/USA • 2021 • 77 min.

### Of Medicine and Miracles 🌐

At the age of six, Emily Whitehead was diagnosed with leukemia and the lives of her and her parents were suddenly thrust into uncertainty. Through bravely honest interviews and home videos, Of Medicine and Miracles details her family's experience bouncing from hospital to hospital, trying to stay hopeful amidst hopelessness, and their fateful correspondence with Dr. Carl June, whose research could hold the key to her survival. But time is of the essence.

Ross Kauffman • USA • 2022 • 96 min.

### On These Grounds

A video goes viral, showing a white police officer in South Carolina pull a Black teenager from her school desk and throw her across the floor. Healer-Activist Vivian Anderson uproots her life in New York City to support the girl and dismantle the system behind the assault at Spring Valley, including facing the police officer.

Garrett Zevgetis • USA • 2021 • 102 min.

### Ranger

Set within Kenya's Maasai homeland, an intimate and contemporary story of self-discovery unfolds, as 12 women become East Africa's first all-female anti-poaching unit. Upending the male-dominated, reliance upon military-style training to make a wildlife ranger, Virginia, Liz, Momina and Damaris instead undergo a year-long program of deep trauma-release and healing, triggering profound transformation within themselves and sending shockwaves through their communities.

Austin J Peck • Kenya • 2021 • 93 min.

### Scrum

Frank McKinney is the first (and only) Black college rugby coach in the U.S. When Frank is hired to build a new rugby team at a predominantly white Southern university, his dream was of bringing diversity to the game that he loved was suddenly within reach. Character and good grades required. Rugby skills? Optional.

Thomas Morgan • USA • 2020 • 78 min.

### The Territory 🌐

The Uru-eu-wau-wau Indigenous Surveillance Team defends their land against a network of Brazilian farmers intent on colonizing their protected territory. Their fight for survival forces Bitate and Neidinha — a young Indigenous leader and his female mentor — to find new ways to protect the rainforest from the encroaching invaders. Through intimate access to both the Indigenous community and the opposing farmers network, the film brings audiences directly into the heart of the Amazon rainforest.

Alex Pritz • Brazil/Denmark/USA • 2022 • 83 min.

🌐 A Bringing Science to the Screen screening.

🌐 This film/program screens live only.



# Saturday, July 30 through Saturday, August 6, 2022

## The Thief Collector

It was one of the most audacious and puzzling art thefts of a generation; In 1985, Willem de Kooning's seminal work, "Woman Ochre," was sliced from its frame and stolen from the walls of an Arizona art museum, disappearing into the desert. Over thirty years later, in a remote town in New Mexico, the \$160 million painting was rediscovered in the unlikelyst of places.

Allison Otto • USA • 2022 • 94 min.

## A Woman on the Outside

Kristal Bush grew up in Philadelphia watching nearly every man in her life disappear to prison. She channeled that struggle into keeping families connected as a social worker and through her van service that transports riders – mostly women – to visit partners, fathers and sons in faraway prisons. But when Kristal's father and brother come home after decades behind bars, she confronts what it means to piece her own family back together, and create a different future for her young nephew, Nyvae.

Lisa Riordan Seville, Zara Katz • USA • 2022 • 87 min.

## The Yin & Yang of Gerry Lopez

The path to enlightenment begins at the world's deadliest wave, the Banzai Pipeline. Gerry Lopez, AKA Mr. Pipeline, is one of surfing's most enigmatic heroes—a Zen Buddhist on land who built his early career on aggressive surfing. He is a radical; as he is Zen. He is one of the most influential surfers and surfboard shapers of all time, transcending categorization and pioneering surfing to new frontiers.

Stacy Peralta • USA • 2020 • 100 min.

## Zero Gravity

"A diverse group of ambitious middle school students from San Jose, CA enter the Zero Robotics ISS (International Space Station) Competition. Their mission: compete with teams across the country to write the most strategic code for surveying satellites, which will help map out a GPS system to successfully orbit Mars in the future, opening the door to infinite opportunities and exploration on the Red Planet."

Thomas Verrette • USA • 2021 • 75 min.



## SPECIAL GUESTS:

### Filmmaker in Residence, Tasha Van Zandt:

an award-winning director, cinematographer, and Emmy-nominated producer who has documented stories across all seven continents. Her debut documentary feature-length film *After Antarctica* follows the life of the legendary polar explorer Will Steger and his lifelong journey as an eyewitness to the greatest changes to the polar regions of our planet.

**Explorer Will Steger:** A formidable voice calling for understanding and the preservation of the Arctic, Will Steger is best known for his legendary polar explorations. Throughout over fifty years of exploration, he is the leading eyewitness to the dramatic transformation of the world's most hostile landscapes.

**Musician Julian Lage:** Hailed as one of the most prodigious guitarists of his generation and "highest category of improvising musicians" (New Yorker), Julian Lage has spent more than a decade searching through the myriad strains of American musical history via impeccable technique, free association and a spirit of infinite possibility.

# NARRATIVE FEATURES

## 1-800-HOT-NITE

When Tommy loses his family to a police raid, he escapes custody with his friends, Steve and O'Neill. Their urban odyssey is packed with men trying to rob them, cops, a pythoon, a fist fight, a first kiss and phone sex. Their brotherhood breaks as they cross the threshold into adulthood and Tommy turns himself in to the police, reuniting with his toddler step-brother, ready to face their future together as a family.

Nick Richey • USA • 2022 • 97 min.

## The Big Bend

Two families meet for a reunion in the remote West Texas desert — where events quickly don't go as planned. Harboring secrets and facing private crises, they test the boundaries of marriage, friendship, and parenthood, in one of the wildest places in America.

Brett Wagner • USA • 2021 • 103 min.

## Come Find Me

A beautiful, uplifting Latinx story about a mother and daughter facing major life changes and how their love challenges and inspires them.

Daniel Poliner • USA • 2021 • 104 min.

## Dear Zoe

Adapted from the heartbreaking and inspirational novel of the same name, "Dear Zoe" is a powerful study of resilience told from the point of view of a 16-year-old girl; a coming-of-age drama in which teenage Tess enlists her biological father - a lovable slacker - and the charming juvenile delinquent next door to help her come to grips with the death of her little sister.

Gren Wells • USA • 2022 • 95 min.

## The Falconer

Inspired by true events, two best friends, Tariq, an Omani teenager and Cai, a privileged Westerner, conspire to steal animals from the zoo and sell them on the black market to raise money for Tariq's sister's divorce from an abusive marriage. They are forced to wrestle with morally complex choices that reveal the vast distance between their worlds.

Seanne Winslow, Adam Sjöberg • USA/Oman • 2021 • 99 min.

## Hékate

Helena and Kira argue on the side of the road. No destination in mind, no plan to follow. The journey unfolds kilometer by kilometer; a journey that soon becomes a ritual.

Nadia Benedicto • Argentina • 2021 • 77 min.

## Homebody

Nothing is quite as special as a child's relationship with their babysitter, and nine-year-old, gender-queer Johnny is obsessed with theirs – so much so that they've meditated their spirit right into her body! Part "Freaky Friday" and part "Being John Malkovich," *HOMEBOODY* is a charming, crowd-pleasing, cringe comedy for the gender-fluid era.

Joseph Sackett • USA • 2021 • 75 min.

## Maybe Someday

In the midst of separating from her wife, Jay, a non-binary 40-something photographer, attempts to move across the country to start her life over again. Along the way, she takes a detour to stay with her high school best friend who she used to be secretly in love with, and befriends a charismatic gay man who has long given up on love. Struggling to move forward with the next chapter of her life, Jay grapples with the inevitable cycles of love, loss, and letting go.

Michelle Ehlen • USA • 2022 • 91 min.

## Midday Black Midnight Blue

Living alone in a house on the edge of Puget Sound, Ian grapples with long-held grief and shame over the loss of Liv, a woman he loved dearly who died nearly two decades ago. As he moves through the world he's created with visions and fantasies of their life together, he's pulled further and further away from the present. Liv's sister Beth, a woman with ghosts of her own, is the first to see how far Ian has slipped away from reality. Their chance run-in begins a spiral which ultimately forces Ian to choose...lose himself completely or turn towards healing.

Samantha Soule & Daniel Talbott • USA • 2022 • 89 min.

## Miles From Nowhere

During an annual cabin retreat, a dying man must confront past mistakes after learning he may not know his friends as well as he may think.

Jono Mitchell • USA • 2022 • 76 min.

## The Mirror Game

Childhood friends Rose and Abe both find themselves in Las Vegas on the same weekend, but when Rose asks Abe for a life-changing favor, the evening takes a turn for the unexpected, and the two spend the night trying to beat the odds.

William J. Stribling • USA • 2022 • 87 min.

## Northern Shade

Justin McLaughlin, a disenchanting Army vet working a menial job and avoiding his past, is forced to emerge from isolation when his younger brother is recruited by an extremist militia. Working with a private investigator named Frankie, Justin will have to decide how much of his past in the Army he's willing to bring back to the surface to extract his brother from the clutches of the paramilitary conman Billy."

Christopher Rucinski • USA • 2022 • 95 min.

## Route One North

Sisters Sarah and Bee set off to track down their long-absent father after their mother refuses to give 16-year-old Bee permission to marry her military boyfriend.

Isabelle Rose Farrell • USA • 2022 • 72 min.

## A Stage of Twilight

Diagnosed with a terminal heart disease, Barry decides to rent a trailer in the woods where he can spend his final days alone in order to spare his wife Cora the emotional distress of watching him die. Unable to endure his choice, Cora is driven to make a critical decision for them both.

Sarah T. Schwab • USA • 2022 • 106 min.

## Sweet Disaster

Frida, a 40-year-old German-Finnish painting therapist unexpectedly falls pregnant, and Felix, the father of her child, breaks up with her to reunite with his ex. Although some serious health problems caused by the pregnancy force Frida to rest, she still tries to get Felix back using methods which are absurd, exaggerated and sometimes hilarious.

Laura Lehmus • Germany • 2021 • 90 min.

## Vulveeta

Riot grrrl band VULVEETA didn't break up on the best of terms. In fact, lead singer Grrrilda Beausoleil disappeared 20 years ago, just as they were about to "go big." Now, she has to convince the band she's ready to rock and overcome the band's demons. They'll need to figure out how to integrate Gordon, who's transitioned since the band's heyday. Meanwhile, their formerly two-year-old drummer, Killer Child, is eager to chart a new course in her 20s. Most importantly, how will the band be able to draw a crowd in the digital age, in a time far removed from the 1990s marketing methods of wheat paste and stickers?

Maria Breaux • USA • 2022 • 92 min.

## Wake Up, Leonard

Part comedy, part self-help nightmare, *WAKE UP, LEONARD* follows one man's quest for wellness while failing miserably to stay on his vibe. This is the story of a broken-hearted seeker with a tenuous grasp on his mental health, but an admirable faith in the Universe. Will Leonard learn how to not only love his higher self, but his lower self too?

Kat Mills Martin • USA • 2022 • 73 min.

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## SHORTS: Be The Change

### Beauty Queen

Set in the Philippines during World War II, a young woman struggles to find purpose after losing her father.

Dramatic • Myra Aquino • Philippines • 2021 • 18 min.

### Burros

A young Indigenous girl discovers a Hispanic migrant her age who has been separated from her father in the beautiful but dangerous Sonoran desert.

Dramatic • Jefferson Stein • USA • 2021 • 15 min.

### Jill and Jack

A love story that never was in a city that does not know how to talk. When Jill dares to chat with stranger Jack, a spark ignites and he rises to the challenge. But is the city ready to converse?

Comedy • Nick Calori • UK • 2021 • 11 min.

### Stranger at the Gate

A U.S. Marine plots a terrorist attack on a small-town American mosque, but his plan takes an unexpected turn when he comes face to face with the people he sets out to kill.

Documentary • Joshua Seftel • USA • 2022 • 30 min.

### Superheroes Wear Hoodies

A group of black youths from one of the most notorious estates in London rise together in support of their community. In doing so, they challenge perceptions of a community often wrongly associated with crime, to one now associated with love – fuelled by food.

Documentary • Jason Osborne • UK • 2021 • 10 min.

### The Recess

Seventeen-year-old Sahar is determined to watch her favorite soccer team play for the league championship. Barred from attending sports events as a woman, Sahar disguises herself as a boy with the help of her friends.

Dramatic • Navid Nikkha Azad • Spain/Iran • 2021 • 12 min.

## SHORTS: Conversations

### An Encounter

Two improbable friends dodge school and freely wander through Dublin until an encounter with a stranger leaves one of them utterly changed.

Dramatic • Kelly Campbell, Claire McCabe • Ireland • 2021 • 21 min.

### Bounty

"We are citizens of the Penobscot Nation. For this film, we bring our families to Boston to read our ancestors' death warrant."

Documentary • Maulian Dana, Dawn Neptune Adams, Tracy Rector, Ben Pender-Cudlip, Adam Mazo • USA • 2021 • 9 min.

### Desmond's Not Here Anymore

Abigail battles moving her elderly mother with dementia out from the family home. When her mother unconsciously haunts her by continually questioning Desmond's whereabouts it forces her to finally face the question.

Dramatic • Mmabatho Montsho • USA • 2021 • 16 min.

### Mold of Malachi

In the suburbs of America, a Black man's morning jog nightmare exists as a game for others.

Dramatic • Mtume Gant • USA • 2022 • 9 min.

### The Stupid Boy

In a London where there has been an increase in Christian white supremacists resorting to acts of terrorism, two worlds collide when a neuro-diverse teenager encounters a man on a suicidal mission.

Dramatic • Phil Dunn • UK • 2022 • 16 min.

### Vigilant

When a woman is forced to walk home after car trouble at night, the inherent fear of being female raises confusing questions that spills into her world.

Dramatic • Sarah Day • UK • 2022 • 7 min.

### Wailing Wall

A first generation Ukrainian-American woman, is forced to move her family back in with her immigrant mother when their lives become unmanageable-- but the stress of tight quarters and emotional triggers begin to blur the lines between reality and fantasy.

Comedy • Amy French • USA • 2022 • 9 min.

## SHORTS: Art In Many Forms

### 15 grains of sand

The filmmaker explores her experience as one of only a handful of people with Down syndrome in the world to have earned a college degree, and how art can help expand educational opportunities for others.

Documentary • Rachel Handlin • USA • 2021 • 4 min

### Charlotte

A pop song transforms the lives of an enigmatic folk singer and her family.

Animation • Zach Dorn • USA • 2021 • 13 min.

### DOPO YUMEmories

A short look back at Dopo Yume, a NYC-based rock band that gained traction in the late 90s, early 00s, but never quite took flight.

Documentary • Jordan Galland • USA • 2022 • 13 min.

### Make Me A King

After being shunned by their conservative parents, Ari pursues their dream of being a Jewish Drag King and honouring Pepi Littman as they perform.

Dramatic • Sofia Olins • UK • 2021 • 16 min.

### Memento Mori

Late one stormy night in Victorian Dublin, a post-mortem photographer receives his latest subject, a recently deceased young woman. And this encounter with the dead young woman will be unforgettable.

Animation • Paul O'Flanagan • Ireland • 2021 • 9 min.

### Stranger Than Rotterdam with Sara Driver

In 1982, the completion of Jim Jarmusch's sophomore film, Stranger Than Paradise, hinged on producer Sara Driver's willingness to smuggle one of the world's rarest and most controversial films across the Atlantic Ocean.

Documentary • Lewie & Noah Kloster • USA • 2021 • 10 min.

### The Body is a House of Familiar Rooms

An intimate magical-realist documentary combining paintings with live action footage to open a window on a man's experience living with a painful chronic illness called Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome.

Documentary • Lauryn Welch, Eloise Sherrid • USA • 2021 • 10 min.

### Tiny Titanic

A Minnesota family discovers some surprising connections to the Titanic disaster. They decide to honor the ship by building a miniature replica in their front yard.

Documentary • Mike Scholtz • USA • 2022 • 9 min.

### Visions

A kaleidoscope portrait of three artists: A first-generation American Congolese illustrator, a Chicax musician and drummer and a Vietnamese visual and textile artist, that explores their journeys and focuses on the elation of these creatives making their art.

Documentary • Karina Lomelin Ripper • USA • 2022 • 10 min.

## SHORTS: Thicker Than Water

### 8¾

Armed with a formidable knowledge of Italian cinema, an irrepressible eight-year-old boy helps his grandfather recover from a catastrophic loss.

Comedy • Shawn Matthew Cheatham • USA • 2020 • 10 min.

### Break Any Spell

In this collision of reality and fantasy, a teenage girl uses Live-Action-Role-Playing (LARPing) to cope and escape from her mother, who suffers from early-onset Alzheimer's.

Dramatic • Anton Josef • Canada/USA • 2021 • 13 min.

### Family Recipe

A girl's baking lesson from her grandfather teaches her acceptance as she learns the similarities between ingredients and people.

Dramatic • Kamari Bright • USA • 2021 • 5 min.

### Favorite Daughter

An intergenerational odd couple shelters-in-place in a lower Manhattan apartment during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Documentary • Dana Reilly • USA • 2022 • 19 min.

### La Macana

Recently divorced Carmen and Franco work through their fervent relationship to support their daughter Sol when she gets her period for the first time.

Dramatic • Maria Mealla • USA • 2022 • 10 min.

### Non-Negotiable

Nine year old Deb presents to her anxious parents a list of terms and conditions for the arrival of her new sibling.

Comedy • Mike Doxford • UK • 2022 • 9 min.

### Roger That

An inventor reveals his invention to his girlfriend, but she uses it to reveal a surprise to him.

Dramatic • Inkar Maxutova • USA • 2020 • 7 min..

### The Family We Chose

Two in-laws build a connection over the dynamics of the family they married into.

Comedy • Justin & Kristin Schaack • USA • 2022 • 8 min.

### Wei-Lai

Tired of getting pushed and punished by his own parents, Wei-Lai, an 11-year-old Chinese American boy, decides to show up at his best friend's family and offer himself up for adoption.

Comedy • Robin Wang • USA • 2022 • 14 min.

## SHORTS: Modern Problems

### Algorithm

When nervy AI has an absurd encounter with a stranger, he begins to question his whole identity.

Dramatic • Edwina Casey • Ireland • 2020 • 9 min.

### Breakfast at the Bodega

A talented young Brooklynite/Palestinian-American attempts to live out his dreams of becoming a French pastry chef despite his first-generation father's wishes.

Comedy • Marina Elise • USA • 2022 • 15 min.

### Le Pompon

Sandra is a struggling single mom and she's losing the plot. But today, she sees an opportunity to get even with the world... but will her son Ryan catch the pompon?

Comedy • David Hourrègue • France • 2022 • 13 min.

### Out of Tune

Stigmatized since childhood by her love of the rock band Journey, Maya finds her voice in a world where she doesn't always feel "Black enough."

Comedy • Portlynn Tagavi • USA • 2022 • 15 min.

### Talk To The Can

When Dave, a control freak, discovers that the home devices he uses to make his life easier have actually been secretly recording everything, he must change in order to survive.

Comedy • Jordan H. Elliott • USA • 2021 • 13 min.

### The Diamond

A lonely man with a blinding ambition to make friends stumbles upon a diamond in the woods. Unable to reach it, the solution presents itself in the form of an even smaller man.

Comedy • Vedran Rupic • Sweden • 2021 • 14 min.

### The F-Word

A father explains to his young daughter what the f-word means.

Comedy • Alex & Paul Cannon • USA • 2022 • 7 min.

## SHORTS: It's Getting Dark In Here

### Fishwife

In wild 18th century Britain, a lonely woman discovers that her menstrual cycle is of interest to a stranger.

Dramatic • Beth Park • UK • 2021 • 17 min.

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## Gilgamesh

Inspired by humanity's oldest story, Gilgamesh, this epic tale explores themes of power, love and loss.

Dramatic • Noeline Kavanagh • Ireland • 2021 • 25 min.

## In Sickness and In Health

A married couple struggles to accommodate one another in the lead-up to a high-stakes business lunch.

Comedy • Sarah Smick • USA • 2022 • 11 min.

## Joshua

Identical twin sisters seek to remedy a past childhood trauma, but each fatal attempt takes them further into the deep end.

Dramatic • Austin Lewis • USA • 2022 • 10 min.

## Marked

A tattoo artist is confronted by a client (Eric Roberts) who knows the true meaning behind his body art.

Dramatic • Matthew Avery Berg • USA • 2021 • 13 min.

## Myrtle

Myrtle, a trailer park Mom from Indiana, cooks dinner for her son. But something's not quite right.

Dramatic • Patricia McCormack • UK • 2022 • 15 min.

## SHORTS: Moving Forward

### 30 Meetings / 30 Days

After being court ordered to attend Alcoholics Anonymous, Alicia reluctantly commits to going to thirty meetings in thirty days.

Dramatic • Duane Andersen • USA • 2022 • 20 min.

### Hush

In public 12-year-old Martin seems like a normal smiling boy, but at home he faces uncertainty, and at times a harsh reality. With an alcoholic father, and a mother who barely manages to handle the situation, Martin is forced to do what it takes to keep the family together.

Dramatic • Emilie Beck • Norway • 2022 • 25 min.

### She Dreams At Sunrise

An elderly woman escapes her mundane reality through her dreams, while her great-nephew helps reconnect her to what she's really missing.

Animation • Camrus Johnson • USA • 2021 • 11 min.

### Strawberry Shake

A troubled young mother tries to win back her two kids with a pet rabbit and pink dessert.

Dramatic • Dianne Bellino • USA • 2020 • 16 min.

### The Principal's Assembly

When a student passes away tragically over the summer, Principal Jane Marino is faced with the tough challenge of giving a speech to the students during the 'first day of school' assembly.

Dramatic • Jordan Ancel • USA • 2022 • 19 min.

## SHORTS: The Neighborhood

### Lalito 10

When COVID-19 forced his school to close and remote learning proved impossible, a teacher in Guatemala built a classroom on wheels to bring education directly to his students.

Documentary • Jordan Matthew Horowitz • USA • 2022 • 17 min.

### Powers

When a budding artist in her 60s hangs joyful sculptures on telephone poles, she comes into her own and makes peace with her troubled past.

Documentary • Paige Morrow Kimball • USA • 2022 • 24 min.

### The Devil Will Run

A young boy is convinced that the Devil lives in a hole in his backyard. Can he find the courage to face down his fear?

Dramatic • Noah Glenn • USA • 2021 • 11 min.

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## The Originals

Matty "Square" Ruggiero and his childhood friends, the Union Street Boys, tell their story of what it was like to grow up in South Brooklyn, where money was tight but friendships were tighter.

Documentary • Alfie Koetter, Cristina Costantini • USA • 2022 • 10 min.

## Where Land Ends

There are only 12 full-time residents living on the mile by two-mile island of Cuttyhunk. Gwen Lynch is the only child on the Island and the only student at the last one room schoolhouse in Massachusetts.

Documentary • Grace McNally • USA • 2022 • 28 min.

## SHORTS: Decisions Decisions

### All That Glitters

A desperate teenager snatches a rich woman's handbag, but in a bizarre twist of fate discovers her life is not as rosy as it seems and that they have more in common than he realizes.

Dramatic • Dan Bronzite • UK • 2021 • 24 min.

### Bea, Seriously

Bea shows up at her mother's house to decide what to do about an unexpected pregnancy.

Dramatic • Hanna Gray Organschi • USA • 2021 • 10 min.

### En Avant

After being cast in the lead role of a professional ballet, Ragan is pressured by the ballet's director to lighten her skin with make-up, in order to be consistent with the white dancers on stage.

Dramatic • Sarah Jean Williams • USA • 2022 • 13 min.

### Sinking Ships

Sara endured many years in a relationship full of control and violence. As she and her family go on vacation, an opportunity to break away suddenly presents itself.

Dramatic • Andreas Kessler • Germany • 2020 • 22 min.

### The Dress

A young woman under house arrest, decides to use her only day-off and change her appearance drastically, for the last chance and "perfect date" with someone she loves the most.

Dramatic • Marie Karkashadze • USA • 2022 • 9 min.

### Your Mountain Is Waiting

What happens when you stop listening to your intuition, and the seemingly irrational steps it can take to learn to trust your gut and instincts once again.

Animation • Hannah Jacobs • UK • 2021 • 8 min.

## SHORTS: Finding Our Way

### Fourth of July

A young mother struggles to parent her two rambunctious boys over the course of one hot, summer day.

Dramatic • Major Dorfman • USA • 2021 • 12 min.

### More Than I Remember

Fourteen-year-old Mugeni awakes to the sounds of bombs. As her family scatters to the surrounding forests to save themselves, Mugeni finds herself completely alone.

Documentary • Amy Bench • USA/Chile • 2022 • 14 min.

### My Dear God

June Bell unearths the painful truth of her sister's overdose and finds the closure she didn't know she needed.

Dramatic • Tara Sheffer • USA • 2021 • 13 min.

### North Star

A rural rancher and his ailing husband, struggling against poverty and isolation, are forced to make a heartbreaking decision in order to preserve the dignity of their marriage in the face of mounting pressures from relatives.

Dramatic • P.J. Palmer • USA • 2022 • 30 min.

### The Sea of Hope

A refugee father and son's dangerous sea journey to escape their war-torn country.

Animation • Walid salhab • UK/Lebanon • 2022 • 7 min.

### WanderLand

A young girl attempts to navigate the seafront on the search for her missing alcoholic mother over the course of one night.

Dramatic • Nicole Pott • UK • 2022 • 15 min.

## SHORTS Screening with Features

### Love Languages

A nuanced and intimate portrayal of six Black British men as they share their personal experiences of love and loss whilst in an Afro-Caribbean barbershop.

Documentary • Jason Osborne • UK • 2022 • 13 mins.  
*Screens with Scrum*

### Shattering Star

A 19-year-old's major discovery about black holes collides with accepted physics.

Documentary • Peter Galison • USA • 2021 • 13 mins.  
*Screens with Zero Gravity*

### The Errand

When a young girl hitchhiking is picked up by a stranger, who ends up taking whom for a ride?

Dramatic • Amanda Renee Knox • USA • 2022 • 11 mins.  
*Screens with Route One North*

### The Man of My Dreams

Two gorgeous, magnetic male lovers traipse around the streets of NYC enmeshed in a dreamy romance.

Dramatic • Tristan Scott-Behrends • USA • 2021 • 6 mins.  
*Screens with Homebody*

### There Are Mermaids in LA

Two gorgeous, magnetic male lovers traipse around the streets of NYC enmeshed in a dreamy romance.

Comedy • Summer Benowitz • USA • 2021 • 13 mins.  
*Screens with Wake Up Leonard*

### ᵠᵠᵠ (What They've Been Taught)

Expressions of reciprocity in the Cherokee world, brought to life through a story told by an elder and first language speaker.

Documentary • Brit Hensel • USA • 2022 • 9 mins.  
*Screens with The Territory*



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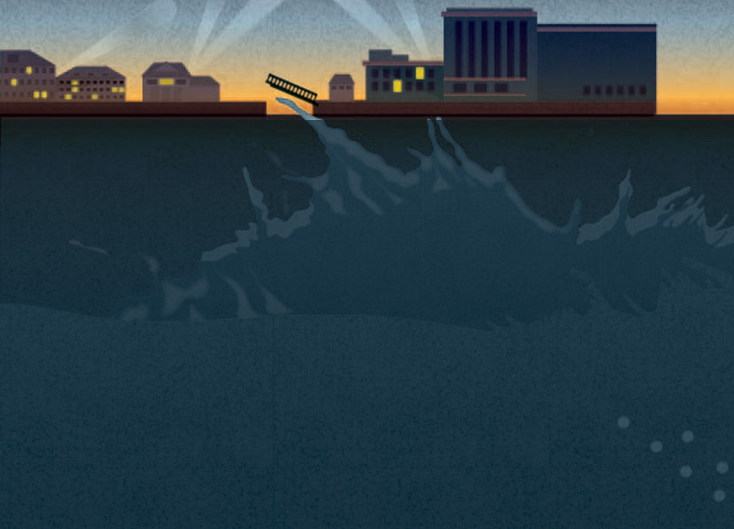
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