

THE 5TH ANNUAL VANCOUVER ISLAND
SHORT FILM FESTIVAL



2010 FESTIVAL PROGRAM

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This is the fifth annual Vancouver Island Short Film Festival. We received many entries from Vancouver Island and a number from the national and international film making community. From the numerous excellent entries, the three-person jury selected 13 films that will be shown at the festival.

Awards will be given out in the categories of Best Film, Best Writing, Best Performance, Best Technical, Best Music and People's Choice, which will be voted on both nights after the show. The Awards will be distributed at the screening and ceremony on Saturday, February 13th.

The VISFF pays artist's fees to all participating filmmakers. Cash prizes will also be awarded in several categories, including \$400 for Best Film and \$100 in 5 other categories. Thanks to all the organizers, sponsors and volunteers for their efforts in producing this excellent community event.

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This year's VISFF After-Party will be held at after the February 13th show at The Firehouse Grill downtown, starting right after the festival (approx 10pm)
Everyone is welcome to come

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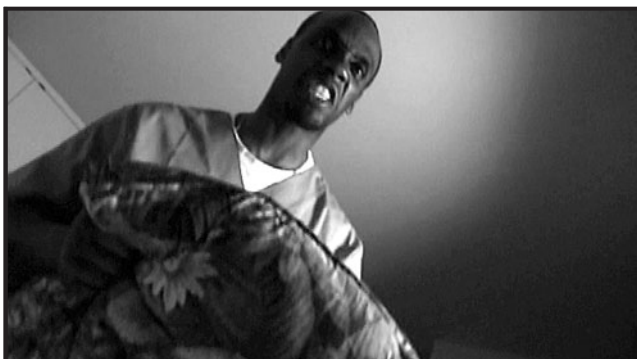


1

Boingo Boingo (1:10)

Mark Benard

Boingo Boingo ascends cultural and language boundaries by eliminating words and narrative.



2

Smothered (10:00)

Linley Subryan

Tonight's the night. Pete Lewis believes his caregiver is trying to kill him. But how is he going to do it? Poison? Suffocation? Maybe he has a partner? Perhaps, the answer isn't so simple.



3

The Button (3:35)

Jeremy Klassen

Two men stumble upon a mysterious red button, and debate whether or not to push it.



4

Detective Fawkes and the Victim's Vixen (10:00)

Todd Jones

Detective Fawkes, a private-eye with a wide open schedule, can't secure a client let alone make his office rent, until beautiful heiress Shea Belle arrives...



5

Mercenary Solutions (2:45)

Graham Stark

When you need a job done very, very thoroughly.



6

The New Dad's Survival Guide (9:46)

Michael Chen

Peter is about to embark on the wonderful journey of Fatherhood. Let us join Peter in this step-by-step guide to raising a new baby.

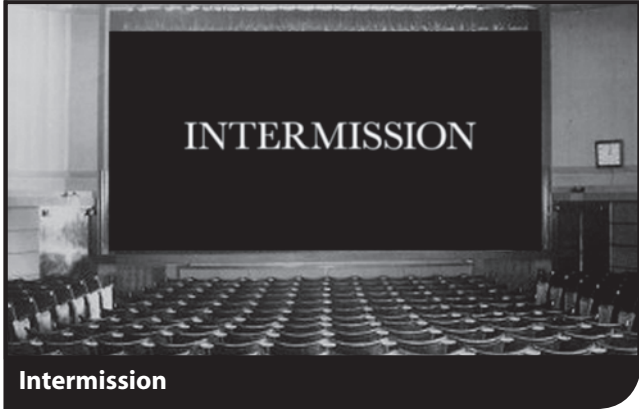


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The Piano Player's Sister (10:00)

Tash Baycroft, John Gardiner

When a stranger shows up to an after-hours poker game, no one suspects his real motive for being there - revenge.



Intermission



8

Come Clean (3:36)

A. Cerminara, C. deBrouwer, M. Russell

The Laundronauts paired up with student filmmakers to bring you this “Alice in Laundroland” creation. From a drab laundromat to a world full of wonderful creatures, follow, “Alice” as she finds the music. Clean never looked so good.



9

The Nastiworths (8:00)

Kristina Durst

In a nonsensical land filled with impossible stop-motion animation creatures, this tale explores the meaning and origin of creativity.



10

Desolation (6:06)

Steve Harrison, Keith Tighe

A post apocalyptic film of survival in a selfish world.



11

Riboflavin (10:00)

Blair Dykes

Milk, cereal, time travel - all part of an unbalanced breakfast.



12

30 Minutes or Less: The Secret of the Sauce (7:01)

Graham Stark

Once again, Johnny gets pulled back into the dark world of pizza.



13

The Mechanic (10:30)

Michael Grand

A mechanic regrets offering his services, free of charge, when the man who saved his life stretches that offer too far.

People's Choice Voting

Let your voice be heard!

As you leave the theatre don't forget to vote for your favourite film. Ballots are available from the usher and the ballot box is in the lobby. The winner will be announced during the awards ceremony following the Saturday show.

Filmmakers Q&A Panel

Friday Night

Following the opening night show on Friday, you are invited to join five filmmakers as they discuss their films and answer audience questions about their VISFF submission.

Award Ceremony

Saturday Night

On Saturday night, join us as we celebrate the achievement of local filmmakers. Awards will be given out in a number of categories, including best film, people's choice and more!

After Party at the Firehouse Grill

Saturday Night

The annual VISFF afterparty is a chance to celebrate the success of the festival and meet many of the filmmakers. This year's after party is at The Firehouse Grill, #7 Victoria Road. The old firehouse building is downtown and has a full menu, drinks and a sushi bar.

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