3RD LONDON FILM MAKERS CONVENTION 23-31 MARCH 2009

Non stop screenings of latest London and indie films

Mon 23 March 6pm-llpm Thur 26 March 6pm-llpm Tue 31 March 6pm-llpm

Inn On The Green 3 Thorpe Close, London W10 5XL Nearest Tube: Ladbroke Grove Portobello Film Festival proudly present our 3rd London Film Makers Convention, a chance for film makers and public alike to see the latest works by the front line of new London Film Makers mostly working in the underground and digital mediums. Better than anything you will see on TV.

An opportunity for London Film Makers and production companies to meet up and share their work with each other and the public.

As always with Portobello Film Festival events - entry is free.

After the mess the bankers have made, let us hope this is the end of mindless celebrity corporate culture and the beginning of a renaissance for British & Independent films, fired by inspiration, revelation and independence.

We would especially recommend the Non Stop Shorts selections for a snapshot of the inventiveness and eccentricity of London film makers. Portobello Film Festival, 11 Acava, 54 Blechynden Street, London W10 6RJ

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$Mon_{\text{Opm-lipm}} 23$ March

OPENING NIGHT

Inn On The Green 3 Thorpe Close, London W10 5XL Entry FREE

6.00

BROWN PAPER BAG BOX Alice Bradshaw 5 minutes U $\,$

Box, made from brown paper bag, animated.

LUCKY NUMBERS Garrick Hamm & Pete Seaward 12 minutes U

Derrick is convinced through his obsession with counting, that he can predict the winning Lottery numbers and gain the heart of the shows presenter.

MOOD SWING Mark Owen 11 minutes 15

A rather unfortunate encounter with a member of the public makes paranoid Ewan at unease, when meeting his girlfriend, Gemma, however all that seems insignificant when an assailant appears.

HUMBLE LUST Caroline Sherrard & Thom Allen 3 minutes \mbox{U}

Following an argument on Lambeth Bridge, Thiago gives a girl a letter which leads her to an unexpected place. The story is intercut with shots of Hip-Hop/ Funk Duo Thiago And Fidel performing their debut music promo.

FIRST DATE Elizabeth Pencavel 4 minutes U



A loving couples relationship over the years and the uncomfortable truth of growing old.

EYES ON THE STREET David Neubiggin 16 minutes 12

A documentary team follow Community Warden Dogie McLelland, a well meaning idiot who dreams of becoming a cop as he patrols a run down town. MULTI-STOREY Jack Wormell & Stuart Hastie 9 minutes 12

A late night car park attendant waits for his shift to end as he thinks about life, death and modern society.

7:00

GROVE ROOTS Grove Roots Crew 43 minutes U

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7:45

FLUSH IT Ceri Dingle 42 minutes 12

This compelling documentary promises to put aspiration for Western levels of water provisions on the map for developing countries. The film interweaves concern about Global water scarcity and toilet history with aspirations for grand projects and excellent loos, while experts remind us that water can never run out.

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10:00

MEAT THE FAMILY The Munday Brotthers 37 minutes 18

A family of redneck cannibals descend on East London suburb, bringing with them a feast of madcap ultra violence, as the body count increases its up to Major Lethbrdge-Stuart and his plucky assistant Prenderghast to bring the family to justice, dead or alive

MEAT MARKET Mark Withers 20 minutes 18

An actress attends an audition only to be insulted and interrogated by the male casting director. Preparing to walkout, she is confronted by a seemingly friendly female director who pacifies the situation temporarily.

Thu 26 March

NEW AGENDAS

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6:00

THE DICKENS CONNECTION Nick Fletcher 9 minutes U

A video about Malton's links with Dickens and the shutter opening ceremony by Selina Scott.

WAITING TO POP THE QUESTION Michael Franklin 21 minutes

A human condition film exploring modern day dating expectations contrasted with old-fashion courting. If you were transported in time from 200 years ago into today's dating scene, how would it sit with you? What are the pros and cons? You decide!

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NOT YOU AGAIN! Stuart Pound 4 minutes U

Just a bit of joyful self-hate in the recent snow.

THIS IS WHERE WE LIVE Ben Falk & Josiah Newbolt 3 minutes U

Journey through a vibrant, bustling literary world. Commissioned by publisher 4th Estate to celebrate their 25th anniversary this short is a marriage of stop motion and 2D drawn animation.

9:00

CAPTIVE Gus Alvarez 9 minutes 15

A man is held captive, threatened and mentally tortured by his captors. An anxious boardroom gathers to watch the resulting hostage tape; the tension mounts as it draws to its inevitable conclusion... but events are even more sinister than they appear.

TODAY Robert Reina 15 minutes 15

An intimate and moving tale of the fragility of life. A man goes around his day not realising his girlfriend has been involved in a freak accident.

HEAR ME OUT 12 minutes 12

Hear me Out is a young man's journey around London hearing from some of the inspiring youths of England's capital city.

DARK HARBOUR Paul Bruce 14 minutes 15



A dying psychic corrupts the naive inhabitants of a small village and in the process alienates her daughter.



THE KARAOKE KILLERS Paul Bruce 16 minutes15

A black comedy set amid the jealous, narcissistic world of karaoke competition, where death awaits the weak.... But it aint over till the fat man sings.

10:00

BALLBOY - TRYING NOT TO F**K IT UP Andy Kimpton-Nye 65 minutes 15

On a hot sweaty night at the end of July last year, the Scottish indie band BallBoy played the penultimate gig in their 2008 tour. This is the story of that wonderful performance.

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Tue 31 March

CARNIVAL OF SHORTS

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6:00

7:10

LIFE UNDER OCCUPATION-TESTIMONIES FROM AN OCCUPIED LAND Frank Barat 26 minutes U

This documentary tells the story of people living under occupation (Naslus, Palestine). Internationals and Palestinians testify. What is possible in the near future? How to reach peace with the Israelis?

HEADBOX Jeff Nottingham & Stuart Mcturk 20 minutes 15

Set entirely to music, Headbox is the story of a teenager whose father becomes obsessed with taking a daily photo of him, documenting his life. the son decides to move away to university, his father reveals his creation: Headbox, a portable photo-booth for his son to use every day.

RUSS HENDERSON THE PAN MAN Mike McKenzie 22 minutes U

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DECISIONS DECISIONS Dave Walters 8 minutes 15

You wait all day for a victim and then two come along at once.

ARCADIA Adam Butcher 17 minutes 12

A surreal drama of dark comedy and intrigue, set inside a cardboard city-world.

RUNNING PAINS Anthony Jarces 12 minutes 12 Rhys is a fifteen year old runner, torn between doing what his father and his coach think is best for him and spending time with his friends and a girl called Angela. With the inter-school finals looming, Rhys has to make a decision.

DEAD DOG Thom Allen & Caroline Sherrard 7 minutes 12

Inspired by an urban legend about a dead dog in a suitcase, dead dog is an actionpacked short with an ending not even the narrator expects.

No animals were harmed during the making of this film.

WALKER STALKER Keith Claxton 14 minutes 15

What happens when your most trusted means of ordering your life, turns into the most menacing means for destroying it? Walker Stalker follows the homeward journey of four London office workers, from station to termination. All are stopped short by their mobile phone.

8:00

THE ADVENTURES OF A PLUMBER IN OUTER SPACE Jan Manthey 45 minutes 18

Plummer Robin Evans gets more than he bargained for when he goes to stick his plunger in Mrs Zucker's blocked hole. Little does he know that Queen Azizzar, ruler of planet Pron is about to zap him into space so they can mate.

TOMMY THE TUNGSTEN ROBOT Eddie Green 13 minutes 12

In 1997, Tommy was the world's most famous robot. We follows his life and career, 10 years after he was first created and unleashed onto the world.

YOU FLIP ME OVER Marcelo Paganini 3 minutes 12

Marcelo Paganini comes to Cannes film festival to show his short at short corner ready to impress....But things are not going to work as he planned.....

9:00

JULIE - A LOVE STORY David Cave 5 minutes 15

On an isolated farm, deep in the Northumberland countryside, love is in the air. But this is love like no other and nothing can stop the course of true love.

THE CLEANER Noel Kearns 13 minutes 15

An emigrant cleaner at a London Hospital is asked to translate for an injured foreign man. But the cleaner recognises the patent as a brutal warlord from the former war-torn homeland. Now will he help save the man's life or take the ultimate revenge?

CLEAN OFF Simon Bates 11 minutes 15

A man is ambushed and bundled into the back of a van. Across town a beautiful woman waits for the love of her life. And then the police arrive. A terrorist cell have sent a DVD.

MOTHER MINE Susan Everett 17 minutes 15

Grieving the death of her adoptive mother, Alison tries to track down her birth mother to find a replacement mum. She sends a video tape as an introduction. But are her intentions what they seem?

HOAX Ben Annesley 15 minutes 15

Is this a look into one man's lonely decline into paranoid psychophrenia?

TXT DEATH Paul Viglienzone, Chris Bishop, & Tito Sacchi 4 min 12A

When you get the text message you better start running ... for your life.

SIGNS Sunny King 2 minutes 12A

A comedy set in a cybercafe where the store owner has more than he can handle when a customer can't read the signs.

ODE TO A FRIENDLY TOAD Sylvia Mason 3 minutes 12

60's pop star Leapy Lee's b -side dedication to the stranger who, many years ago, handed his briefcase in to the local police station complete with weekend supply of recreational pot!

TO BE CONFIRMED Yehan Jehan 13 minutes 12A

In the distant future, a suitcase holding newfound elements, giving extra-ordinary abilities to human is kept secret. The fight for power begins as the dark age draws to a close.

THE LEGENDARY JESSE POPPLESTONE Tom Melia 13 minutes 12

A struggling comic book artist finds inspiration when a homeless man begins to build a shack in his front garden.

STAR GAMES Jasmin Jodry 3 minutes U

Star Games is a visual narrative of a surreal galactic ballet that explains the origins of stars.

DAYS OF THE BROKEN DOLLS David Cave 14 minutes 15

A group of faceless women participate in a game of chance in order to gain retribution within a male dominated global society.

A SUBTLE HAUNTING William Scothern 14 minutes 15

A man gradually starts to lose his mind after the disappearance of his daughter from the family home, and in turn begins to believe the house has eaten her.

In the Lounge Bar:

7:00

CHEESE AND PINEAPPLE Jason Gregg 1 hour 13 minutes 15

A common Bristol boy meets a posh Bath girl. Opposites attract story with lively friends.

8:15

CURITIBA - IT'S POSSIBLE Joerg Pibal & Paul Romauch 45 minutes U

Curitiba, the capital of the state of Parana and metropolis of south eastern Brazil, is considered to be an outstanding example of sustainable urban planning and living. The documentary takes a look at the "Curitiba Phenomenon", and tries to offer some insight into its alternative approach to problem - solving.

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TAKE ME WITH YOU Charles Sharman-Cox 39 minutes 15

A bittersweet film where love religion, some classic movies and a stray dog collide in the City of Angels.

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