

Official Selections

2007 Bluegrass Independent Film Festival

These films have not yet been rated. The following ratings are suggested juror estimates for your guidance only. The strongest submitted rating is listed & may not be censor accurate.

The views expressed in the accepted films do not necessarily represent the views of AAOOC, BIFF, or our sponsors.

Ratings:

AA = All Audiences

NG = Needs Guidance

13+ = Over 13 years old

17+ = Over 17 years old

Films:

20,000 Miles on a Horse (118m, U S A) Documentary NG

Producer: Tom Jennings www.tomjenningsproductions.com

World Premiere

Two men ride on horseback from the Southern tip of Argentina to the Northern edge of Alaska -- the longest point-to-point ride EVER. Along the way, they face intense physical hardships. They are attacked by hostile townspeople. They wind up not speaking to each other for a year. And three of their horses die along the way. The best part, is they filmed EVERYTHING. This is their story.

20Q (35m, U S A) Student NG

Directed by: Benjamin Keith www.20Qfilm.com

World Premiere / Directing Debut

The Association of Competitive Questioning is growing slowly, but to an odd group of devoted fans, the world is focused on little else. A documentary crew follows Lolita Dorchuck (Victoria Jackson of Saturday Night Live), a stressed out mother of three, Fitzgerald McDermott Doubet (Ron Chastain), the leader of the local 20 questions chapter, Martin Miller (Jerry Bowman) the 2002 National Twenty Question Champion, and the other members as they strive to win and advance onto the national scene.

A.W.O.L. (22m, U S A) Shorts 17+

Directed by: Jack Swanstrom bipolarpictures@gmail.com

1972. An American soldier, Marquette (David Morse), is captured and tortured in Vietnam. At the height of agony, Marquette suddenly finds himself home, living an idyllic life in the US with a loving wife and children that he's never seen before. As he struggles to take in what's happening to him, he discovers the cruel pain of war isn't over after all. Also featuring John McGinley of NBC Scrubs.

Absolute Zero (27m, Australia) Documentary 13+

Directed by: Alan Woodruff awoodruff@hotmail.com

An account of the grim and ironic death by freezing of a man trapped inside a refrigerated meat wagon, told using a combination of archival and imagined material to speculate on the man's final hours. Only later it is discovered that the refrigeration unit wasn't operating.

AIDS Inc. (113m, U S A) Documentary 13+

Directed by: Gary Null www.garynull.com

What if everything we've been told about AIDS is wrong? This is a documentary that shakes the AIDS tree to its foundation. This is the in-depth, uncensored, unexpurgated documentary that lets dozens of quality voices go on the record to share their views on AIDS.

All the Days Before Tomorrow (100m, U S A) Features 17+

Directed by: François Dompierre www.allthedaybeforetomorrow.com

In this quirky episodic tale about a friendship that's almost something more, Joey Kern and Alexandra Holden play pals who ought to be lovers, but their timing has never been right.. Richard Roundtree also stars as El Doctor, Wes' mysterious and comical guardian angel.

American Deluxe (15m, USA) comedy 17+

Directed by: Aaron Brownlee absfilmsfx6@aol.com

A hotshot marketing executive confronts his own empty reality and decides there's only one thing left to do - market himself.

Arcadia (5m, U S A) student NG

Directed by: Conor O'Kelly-Lynch theopp@gmail.com

North American Premiere

Two brothers are out at the arcade when suddenly the younger one gets sucked into one of the games, leaving the older brother desperate as he tries to rescue him from above.

Audition (20m, U S A) Student Regional W.VA NG

Directed by: Sam Holdren samwh@temple.edu

Life may lead anywhere once you choose to see the signs in this absurd character study of a man who travels to the big city to audition for a movie.

Available Men (15m, U S A) Shorts Regional KY 17+

Directed by: David Dean Bottrell industryguy@earthlink.net

A Hollywood agent (dispatched to sign a 'hot' new writer) and a sensitive gay man (waiting for a blind date), mistake each other for the person they were expecting to meet. Hilarity ensues.

Barney the Terrier (2m, Australia) Comedy NG

Directed by: Anny Slater www.moondancepictures.com

Barney, The White House Scottish Terrier 'talks' with his Secret Service security guard about life in the White House.

Big Business, Big Union, Small Town (45m, Canada) Documentary 13+

Directed by: Leif Kaldor contact@zootcapri.com

North American Premiere

Weyburn, Saskatchewan is a nice little city, a great place to raise kids and play hockey. The city fought hard to secure a big store that draws in people from the surrounding towns – they have a Wal-Mart. But the community and the Wal-Mart workers now find themselves the focus of a battle between two titans: one of the largest unions and the world's largest corporation – Wal-Mart.

Blackbird (108m, U S A) Features Regional KY 17+ graphic drug culture

Directed by: Adam Rapp brumar29@aol.com

World Premiere

An unlikely, junk-ballad-of-a-love story that follows a displaced veteran of the first Gulf War, and a 17-year-old Midwestern runaway amid the tough, lovelorn streets of mid-1990s New York City.

Blind Spot (28m, U S A) Shorts NG

Directed by: Gianluca Galtruccio cvb@compuserve.com

World Premiere

A struggling novelist searches for creative inspiration after being dumped by his girlfriend and dropped by his publisher. Soon he encounters an aging Hollywood Diva, (Sally Kirkland) a Jazz Musician and a Vietnam Vet. Surprisingly, these three characters, with their unique lifestyle and incredible stories, will change his life forever.

Blink (89m, U S A) Features Regional KY 17+

Directed by: Craig Miller www.blinkthemovie.com

World Premiere

'Blink' follows a group of 20-somethings who wake up to realize the lives they have aren't what they expected. The film chronicles one night at a local bar, delving deep into the psyche of what it's like to be lost in the confusion of your quarter-life crisis, wondering just when all of life's not so little promises are going to come true.

Bowl Digger (16m, U S A) Documentary AA

Directed by: [Kristy Higby](http://www.mountainteastudios.com) www.mountainteastudios.com

A loving story of octogenarians Maxie Eades and husband Hilton, rural South Carolinians who create wooden bowls and dough trays as durable as their creators. We experience the couple's strong character through their own words as the entire process is depicted from felling the trees to turning and carving the bowls.

Boxcartoon (10m, U S A) Animation NG

Submitted by: Matt Marsden mmarsd@artic.edu

Boxcartoon is an animated 'exquisite corpse' collaboration in which the filmmaker selected three animators with a similar interest in the fantastic and/or grotesque to create glimpses of the unearthly, these then were collected and the filmmaker created animations into and out of each segment with the goal of creating a more cohesive whole than found in the classic animation jam.

Classified Love (22m, U S A) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Jake Reeves www.haphazardhappenings.com

World Premiere

'Classified Love', the 2nd film in the 21st Century Silent Film Trilogy, 'Haphazard Happenings with Purdie & Friends', finds Purdie seeking love on a Cow Farm only to find slapstick suffering at the hands of a sadistic farm hand.

Commit. (90m, U S A) Features 17+

Directed by: Mickey Blaine [mic717@hotmail.com](mailto:mick717@hotmail.com)

Two strangers meet at a coffee shop for what seems like a blind date. But as the conversation progresses, it becomes clear that this couple, who have never seen each other face to face and who met on the Internet, have actually formed a suicide pact. Problems arise when the couple realizes that they may have finally found something worth living for. Comprised of three continuous takes—one take for each act—and shot over the course of two days, Commit is witty and disturbing.

Dalai Lama Renaissance' (80m, U S A) Documentary AA

Directed by: Khashyar Darvich www.DalaiLamaFilm.com

Forty of the world's most innovative thinkers travel to India in the Himalayan Mountains to meet with the Dalai Lama to solve many of the world's problems. What happened was surprising and unexpected. Narrated by actor Harrison Ford.

Dartsville (23m, U S A) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Tony West www.woodvillegeneralfilms.com

When a young dart prodigy upstages his daddy days before the big tourney, a conflict is born the likes of which Dartsville ain't ever seen.

Die Flugbegleiterin (11m, Germany) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Marcin Glowacki marcing@web.de

Where desire ends and addiction begins. A film about the amount of food in a society which has lost its proportions, about the work of people, who don't know anymore, what their calling is.

Die Geschichte vom Wassermann (52m, Czech Republic) Documentary 13+

The Story of Water Sprite

Directed by: Thomas Büsch sabine@doc-film.de

Czech writer Antonin Mares travels with his nephew Frantisek through his homeland on the path of his narration 'The story of Watermann'. A beautiful tale about exile, traveling, water and individual freedom.

Divine Manipulation of the Threads (83m, U S A) Features Regional TN 13+

Directed by: Anthony Howald www.rustedsunfilms.com

Abraham Ashley and his loosely pulled together gang of thieves plan a heist to rob the Federal District Reserve Bank (Memphis Branch). Little do they know that the Feds are the least of their problems. A series of pulp gangsters come out of the woodwork bringing back events from the past and debts that still have to be paid. Somewhere along the way all of the 'Threads' pull together for a clever heist that seems too good to be true.

Facing Sudan (90m, U S A) Documentary 13+

Directed by: Bruce Janu www.facingsudan.com

It is the story of Sudan. Over the last 20 years, millions have died in Sudan. A civil war devastated the South and currently a genocide is occurring in the western region of Darfur. Facing Sudan is the story of ordinary individuals, moved into action by the events in Sudan. Ordinary people can do extraordinary things, even in Sudan.

From The 50 Yard Line (108m, U S A) Documentary Regional OH AA

Directed by: Doug Lantz www.FromThe50YardLine.com

Live the emotional marching band story with an Ohio championship band and a newly reborn band from Los Angeles. Travel on adventures through band camp, the marching season, and 2006 competitions, and see the life-changing effects for these exceptional students.

Glorious Mail (86m, U S A) Features 17+

Directed by: J.D. Evermore www.gloriousmail.com

A New York film maker travels to a small Mississippi town to shoot a documentary about a gay man causing a local and federal controversy with his new mailbox.

H2O- Polluted (31m, U S A) Regional KY NG

Directed by: Shane Sooter www.cityonahillproductions.com

The goal of the episode "Polluted" is to help viewers set aside their negative ideas about the church- at least temporarily- so they can clearly consider Jesus. In this video, a young man stands disillusioned on the bank of a foul, poisonous river. Rather than turning his back on it, he heads to the river's pure source for inspiration.

He Works In A Suit (7m, Australia) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Robert Davies rdavies@networkten.com.au

Two strangers meet on the open road, both harboring a different objective but unknowingly sharing the same destiny. A noir style short with a twist. Unspoken agendas and hidden identities fuel the conflict as the ultimate reveal is savored until the final curtain. First time film maker Robert Davies delivers a seven minute narrative with raw and unique vision.

HOMEFRONT (46m, Canada) Documentary 13+

Directed by: Ava Karvonen www.reelgirlsmedia.com

Five families, five soldiers, a deadly mission to Afghanistan. The story of five military families and the sacrifices they make to support loved ones engaged in Canada's most dangerous mission since the Korean War -- stabilizing Afghanistan. It views the story of the international reconstruction effort in Afghanistan through the eyes of those Canadians who shoulder and understand the sacrifice most acutely.

Jakob and the Angels (13m) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Ron Lehmann spacetime7@hotmail.com

A man who prizes his solitude hires a team of thug-like exterminators to expel a flock of noisy angels from his attic. Amidst the ensuing mini-Armageddon, he begins to regret exterminating his only companionship.

Joy (39m, U S A) Student Regional VA 17+

Directed by: Joe Ensley jensley1@gmu.edu

Based on the true story of a 16 year old track star Aylene, JOY follows the runner as she loses her innocence being surrounded by teenage sex, drugs, and carefree living. Aylene must cope with her emotional and social downfall as she is forced to experience one of life's greatest challenges.

Khoristoria: The Story of the Yale Russian Chorus (73m, U S A) Documentary

Regional KY NG

Directed by: Catherine Mattingly www.khoristoria.com

KHORISTORIA: The Story of the Yale Russian Chorus celebrates the passion of an artist, the perseverance of his devoted followers, and the power of music to promote tolerance, cross-cultural understanding, and hope.

Last Stop for Paul (80m, U S A) Features PG13 Official MPAA Rating

Directed by: Neil Mandt www.mandtbros.com

Two guys travel around the world in search of answers only to discover the world is full of wacky people and experiences.

Little Black Dress (& Heels) (11m, U S A) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Bill Billions flintriverfilms@earthlink.net

Louisville native, Becca Battoe portrays Lauren Hale as Katherine in a cult film. It is hard to find, so it surprises her to discover that her waitress idolizes her. When a stranger invites her to an audition at his house, she cannot help but say yes. Her decision will end up changing her life.

Living Lightly (24m, U S A, United Kingdom) Shorts Regional KY AA

Directed by: Robin Burke www.living-lightly.org

World Premiere

Living Lightly offers a magical glimpse into a world where one 21st century family lives with the land in its seasons. On their farm, the Vidos practice the ancient craft of scything as meditation in action. Robin Burke's poetic debut, filmed on their farm in a corner of New Brunswick, Canada explores a way of relating to and loving the land.

Living the Fairytale (4m, U S A) Shorts Regional KY 13+

Directed by: Brian Cunningham www.unseenfilms.com

When Angela decides she's met the man of her dreams, she'll let nothing get in her way-- especially reality! Filmed entirely in Louisville, "Fairytale" was produced with an entirely local cast and crew and was produced by Louisville filmmaker Stu Pollard.

Love & Music (7m, U S A) Comedy NG

Directed by: Ryan Pattan www.1933pictures.com

When a Spaghetti Western meets a Singing Cowboy movie on the streets of Baltimore, there can only be Love & Music.

MIA: A Soldier's Homecoming (57m, U S A) Documentary NG

Directed by: Randall Wilson www.guerrilladocs.com

World Premiere

On March 20, 1971 a Huey helicopter was shot down in Laos with a crew of four on board. No one survived. The men remained MIA until 2004 when their remains were found in Laos and returned home to be buried at Arlington in 2006.

Midlothia (89m, U S A) Features 17+

Directed by: Bill Sebastian billsebas@yahoo.com

In a small town where everybody knows everybody else's business, four friends discover secrets about each other that threaten to tear them apart.

Millions (a lottery story) (101m, U S A) Documentary 17+

Directed by: Paul La Blanc www.lanterneye.com

World Premiere

For many Americans, winning the lottery is the ultimate dream come true. The public is rarely allowed more than a superficial glimpse into the world of instant, unexpected wealth. Millions follows six big-money lottery winners to show just how dramatically the experience can affect ordinary people. From the farms of the Midwest to the retirement communities of Florida, Millions documents their stories and tells a poignant story of luck, loss and redemption.

Monsters In Autumn (27m, U S A) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Charlie Cline netherheck@hotmail.com

'Monsters In Autumn' is an alternatively lighthearted and melancholy portrait of the lives and friendships of Frankenstein, The Wolfman, and Dracula, consisting of a montage of improvised reminiscences of the aging 'monsters' with playfully staged footage of children enacting scenes as the same creatures.

Mountain Top Removal (57m, U S A) Documentary NG

Directed by: Michael O'Connell www.hawriverfilms.com

World Premiere

Citizen activists from southern Appalachia struggle to preserve their communities and culture from the damage caused by Mountain Top Removal Coal mining.

Mournful Things - A Modern Day Opera (24m, Canada) Shorts

This film was withdrawn from the festival due to copyright extension issues.

My Hammer, My Friend: The Musical (10m) Shorts NG

Directed by: O.D. McConnell numsfilms@gmail.com

Joe Everybody loses his construction job because he doesn't have the right tools. During his long journey Joe finds a talking hammer. As Joe and Hammer's friendship grows he is torn between using the hammer to gain his job back, or standing up for what he believes in and sparing his friend from physical pain.

My Name Is Wallace (17m, U S A) Shorts Regional TN 17+

Directed by: Bob Pondillo pondillo@mtsu.edu

World Premiere

A lonely, high functioning mentally challenged man falls in love with a 900 sex-line operator, and through that call, both find redemption.

Once Upon a Film (89m, U S A) Features 17+

Directed by: Decker x www.nycepictures.com

World Premiere

Once Upon a Film is a comedy that explores what happens when memories collide with reality. Stella Stuckey, a cinephile on the verge, must choose between these two worlds, but when she's finally ready to let go of the past, her memories aren't so obliging and create a clamor of chaos.

Papiroflexia (3m, U S A) Animation AA

Directed by: Joaquin Baldwin www.pixelnitrate.com

Papiroflexia (Spanish for "Origami") is the animated tale of Fred, a skillful paper folder who could shape the world with his hands. Originally created as a poem by the director, it was turned into a short animated film created in the UCLA Animation Workshop.

Partially True Tales of High Adventure! (12m, U S A) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Murphy Gilson www.PartiallyTrueTales.com

Charlie is an aspiring writer from Indiana trying to make it in Hollywood, but his dream is falling apart. Based on a series of short stories of Emmy-winning writer Murphy Gilson, 'Partially True Tales of High Adventure!' is a stylish comedy about life in LA and one man's attempt to write his own happy ever after.

Pieces (6m, U S A) Student NG

Directed by: Christopher Jarvis www.jarvisfilms.com

A young man who feels alone and stuck in a paranoid routine seeks counseling, but he ends up playing a more bizarre game of chess. This film was created for a video festival in which teams had only 25 hours to complete their assigned project.

Plainview (24m, U S A) Shorts 17+

Directed by: Scott T. Jones www.myspace.com/plainview_movie

Inspired by a true story, a restaurant manager attempts to redeem herself after being talked into a humiliating strip search of her socially inept employee.

Pleure en Silence (87m, France) Features 17+

Directed by: John Gabriel Biggs jgbiggs@free.fr

North American Premiere <http://www.myspace.com/pleureensilence>

<http://audience.withoutabox.com/films/pleureensilence#gallery>, <http://jgbiggs.free.fr/>

The true story of Ida Beaussart, daughter of a neo nazi father. She is beaten everyday by him, until the ultimate tragedy of July 1989...

Rain in the Mountains (90m, U S A) Features 13+

Directed by: Joel Metlen & Christine Sullivan www.foxhallfilms.com/rain/rain.htm

Inspired by a strange encounter with a dead man, a Native American man raised outside of traditional customs takes it upon himself to bring his people back to their traditional ways.

Rockabye (9m, U S A) Student NG

Directed by: Alex O'Flinn www.alexoflinn.com

World Premiere

A country music star returns home to his small desert town, in order to make amends with his past.

Rose Colored Glasses (12m, U S A) Student 13+

Directed by: Andrew Fortenbacher www.rcgmovie.com

Elizabeth remembers the joy and love that she felt during the relationship with her ex-boyfriend Nick. She is determined to rekindle the relationship despite her sister's efforts to discourage her. Upon arriving at Nick's apartment to reunite with him, Elizabeth is greeted in a very different manner than she had hoped for.

Script Cops (7m, U S A) Comedy 13+

Directed by: Scott Rice www.wolfriverpictures.com

World Premiere An irreverent parody about cops who arrest people for bad screenwriting.

See Rock City (30m, U S A) Shorts 17+

Directed by: Doug Osman douginnorthcarolina@hotmail.com

World Premiere

'See Rock City' is the story of a one-time stage performer who makes a daytrip to Atlanta to give what may possibly be her last performance before an audience. She is accompanied by two friends that dislike and mistrust each other as much as two people possibly can. The film stars stage actress Susan Jones Mannino, Broadway performer Annie Morrison, and Steven Hill, from MTV's The Real World Las Vegas.

Seed to Stalk: A Sorghum Tradition (7m, U S A)

Documentary Regional KY AA

Directed by: Jeffrey Hill vomf@juno.com

World Premiere

For over 80 years sorghum has been produced on this 150+ acre farm.

Shark Suit: the Musical (6m) Animation NG

Directed by: Stephen Neary www.stepheneary.com

Set in a big city, small corner market. Ethan loves his shark costume. He can't stop singing about it. But Daphne, Ethan's girlfriend and co-worker, is fed-up. How long must she wait for him to outgrow his obsession? A modern musical opera.

SHARQ (22m, Kuwait) Shorts NG

Directed by: Erik Sandoval sandovalerik@gmail.com

Six childhood friends embark on the journey of a lifetime across the deserts and cityscapes of Kuwait in search of the legendary 'Sharq Street' and the key to eternal happiness - the world's strongest soccer ball.

Snapshots (6m, U S A) Animation AA

Directed by: James Mullins stopmo1959@yahoo.com

Directorial Debut World Premiere

This is a stop motion short about an average Joe type of alien taking a trip to an asteroid field. While enjoying the scenery of one of the larger asteroids, he mistakenly picks a flower that is much more than a common flower.

Sojourn (6m, U S A) Shorts AA

Directed by: Ryan Horner peglegpictures@mac.com

The journey of a being from an underwater world to find his true love through clues left behind across the land. The story is about finding your love again once lost in a vast ocean of nothingness.

Soul Searching; The Journey of Thomas Merton (68m, U S A) 13+

Documentary Regional KY

Directed by: Morgan Atkinson www.morganatkinson.com World Premiere

Can a man who spent most of his adult life cloistered in a rural Kentucky monastery change the world? Thomas Merton did and his writing continues to make waves some forty years after his death. This documentary follows Merton's path from a Communist-leaning Columbia undergrad to his death in Bangkok at age 53. Called by some 'a believing beatnik' or 'the lost soul of the 20th century' Merton is one of the most influential writers of his time.

Tattered Angel Feature/Regional TN 13+

Directed by: Will Benson www.tatteredangel.com

World Premiere

No matter how hard you run from the past, it has a way of catching up with you. No one knows this better than Vince Jacob, who can't escape his sister's abduction and murder more than 30 years before. Home for his mother's funeral, Vince apparently witnesses the abduction of 10 year-old Ellen Anderson. As his past collides with the present, he is at a loss to describe what he saw. He joins the search for the missing girl, but is he prepared for what he may find? Featuring Lynda Carter and filmed in Northern KY & OH.

The Clinton 12 (88m, U S A) Documentary Regional TN NG

Directed by: Keith McDaniel www.secretcityfilms.com

On August 27, 1956, twelve black teenagers entered Clinton High School, in Clinton, Tennessee, for the first time. What followed shocked the world, and changed a nation. Narrated by James Earl Jones.

The List (120m) Feature 13+

Directed by: Gary Wheeler www.TheList-TheMovie.com

World Premiere

Based on the novel by Robert Whitlow, THE LIST follows Renny Jacobson, a young lawyer who has recently experienced the death of his father--only to find that his father has bequeathed his significant estate to charity--except for an obscure, mysterious stake in 'The List'. Renny suddenly finds himself caught in a web of intrigue, deception, greed and spiritual warfare that reaches from the steamy coasts of South Carolina to the secret vaults of Swiss banks. With Malcolm McDowell as a lead actor.

The Lonely Lights. The Color of Lemons. (16m, USA) shorts 13+

Directed by: Ben Piety www.fantacine.com

A series of inkblot paintings propels a young jogger to recall stories and memories of childhood, sexuality and an enigmatic girl.

The Metrosexual (84m, U S A) Features 17+

Directed by: Adam Kaufman themetrossexual@gmail.com

World Premiere

It's tough to find love in Los Angeles or any large metropolitan city – especially when you're a little too sensitive, a little too controlling, and a little too precise in everything you do. Eric Bremer elevates “typical male behavior” with his obsessive attention to appearance, manners, and a preference for the finer things in life. Finally there is a label for the “gay” straight man – Eric is 'The Metrosexual'. Featuring supporting actors Colm Meaney and Mya Harrison.

The Mini (87m, U S A) Comedy Regional IN 13+

Directed by: Ron Beck www.theminimovie.com

World Premiere

In this unique and offbeat comedy. Fran Molon, a futon salesman, runs a mini-marathon and becomes a legend in the mattress business.

The Rhythm of My Soul: Kentucky Roots Music (57m, U S A)

Documentary Regional AA

Directed by: Roger Sherman www.florentinefilms.com/sherman

World Premiere

Kentucky is home to some of the greatest country stars of all time.

Country, Gospel, Bluegrass and Mountain music echo from every hollow, played by folks with music in their hearts. 'The Rhythm of My Soul' lyrically follows Kentucky music to its very roots. Two-time Academy Award-nominated filmmaker Roger Sherman sets his film against a backdrop of the breathtaking Kentucky countryside, seamlessly weaving wonderful music and intimate stories with stirring and rare historical film clips.

The Stronger (24m, U S A) Shorts AA

Directed by: Steve Cleberg steve.cleberg@kctcs.edu

'The Stronger' is a short film based on the August Strindberg one act play. Two women experience a chance meeting in a cafe and engage in a struggle to determine which of them is the stronger.

The World, Naked as a Jay Bird (7:35m USA) Animation NG

Directed by: Tiina Treasure tiina.treasure@gmail.com

In the face of Nuclear holocaust a young girl searches for home.

Their Circumstances (10m, U S A) Animation 13+

Directed by: Ji Hyun Ahn www.jihyunahn.com/cir

World Premiere

This interactive flash animation tells a story in pieces, recounting one day's events from various points of view, adding layers and characters to the intriguing story until the final shot, where everything is finally made clear. The story segments are seemingly random yet connected with the tale of a set of incidents in one day.

Thursday (100m, U S A) Student 17+

Directed by: Thadd Williams www.whoisgreymalcolm.com

Two rival hit men race to the same target as those around them get caught in the crossfire.

Twilight of Youth (30m, U S A) Shorts 17+

Directed by: Jerald Fine geraldalan55@aol.com

A young, brash stockbroker who despises the elderly contracts a strange virus that rapidly ages him. He, then, has to deal with the consequences of the transformation.

Universal Remote (19m, U S A) Shorts Regional KY NG

Directed by: J. Richey Nash <http://audience.withoutabox.com/films/universalremote>

After over 30 years, Liz and Charlie's marriage has become centered on nightly network programming...until their TV goes on the fritz! Now what? Stay tuned...

When The World Goes Dark (7m, U S A) Animation Regional OH NG

Directed by: Anthony Scalmato www.WhenTheWorldGoesDark.com

In the underworld of the New York City Subway system, one man struggles with madness for a chance at love. Presented as a disjointed sequence of fantasies 'When the World Goes Dark' is a chilling reminder that the everyday and commonplace can be as grotesque as it is absurd. In the end, only one certainty remains: this macabre delusion is not only on screen, but within our own minds.

When They Could Fly (28m, U S A) Shorts 13+

Directed by: Piotr Kajstura piokaj@yahoo.com

This poetic film is a cinematic adaptation of a magical folktale, which uses the period of American slavery, as a stage to show how people can survive and overcome the most extreme experiences by the power of their own will. In the film, a group of slaves on a South Carolina cotton plantation learn that people in Africa practice magic, and have developed the ability to fly. This idea of transcendence is a necessity for human existence in times when there is nothing else to believe in.

Willow Garden (44m, U S A) Shorts 17+

Directed by: Don Henderson Baker & Jim Haverkamp www.foggynotionfilms.net

'Willow Garden' tells the tale of a young man who becomes caught in a deadly love triangle and must decide whether to follow his heart or his father's twisted advice. Shot in an expressionistic, film noir style, 'Willow Garden' tells the backstory of one of America's strangest murder ballads. The striking black and white cinematography by Steve Daniels gives the film the feeling of a dark fable, fueled by the characters' elemental passions.