

11TH ANNUAL CHELSEA FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES ITS 2023 SHORT FILM LINEUP

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Chelsea, NY — The 11th Annual Edition of Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) is releasing the list of films that are selected at this year's edition. 88 Narrative Shorts have been selected in the 2023 Official Lineup.

20 countries are represented this year: France, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Bulgaria, Taiwan, Haiti, Israel, United Kingdom, Denmark, Turkey, China, Italy, Estonia, Mexico, Spain, Canada, Brazil, Cuba, Puerto Rico and The United States.

There are 88 Short Films in competition for the Chelsea Film Festival Petite Prix. The Official List of Films is below, which also includes the Run Time, Genre, Country of Origin and Director(s).

The CFF program will highlight international Short Films from independent or emerging filmmakers through regular screenings and world premieres.

As Ingrid Jean-Baptiste, Founder of The Chelsea Film Festival, stated: "Making the World a Better Place by Giving a Voice to the Unheard."

CFF will hold it's eleventh edition both in-person at **Regal Theatres 14th St.** October 12-15 (in-person) and online on FilmFestival+ (https://filmfestivalplus.com, also accessible through AppleTV) from October 12-15, 2023.

U.S. NARRATIVE SHORTS

(BE)LOVED By Javier Molina 11 min | Drama | United States | 2023

5 FEET AWAY By Glenn Robert Ford
5 min | Silent, Drama | United States | 2023
A GOLDEN JOB By Rayen Hediji
16 min | Comedy, Action | United States | 2023

ABOVE THE DESERT WITH NO NAME By Sonia Sebastián 17 min | Drama | United States | 2023

AMERICAN GINSENG By Quinn Cavin

13 min | Drama | United States | 2022

ANEMOIA By Zachary Karem 20 min | Drama, Sci-Fi | United States | 2022

ANIMAL By Lauren Adams 15 min | Sci-Fi, Comedy | United States | 2022

ANOTHER NIGHT By Joshua Holz 11 min | Romance, Drama | United States | 2023

AS YOU ARE By Daisy Friedman 15 min | Romance, Coming-of-Age | United States | 2023

BACKLOG By Jacqueline Elyse Rosenthal 19 min | Drama, Biopic, Social Impact | United States | 2022

BITCHY By Marielle Boland 12 min | Comedy, Drama | United States | 2023

CAPTAIN ESTUPIDO By Jaime Zevallos 15 min | Drama, Comedy | United States | 2023

CHRISTMAS IN JULY By Christopher Emmanuel London 9 min | Drama | United States | 2023 Selected as part of the 2023 CFF Screenwriting Incubator Program

CLIMB By Bill Beydoun 10 min | Drama | United States | 2023

CONEY ISLAND BABY By Jose Duran 19 min | Drama | United States | 2022

CONTINENTAL DRIFT By Gracie Giffune 5 min | Drama | United States | 2022

CYCLE By Matt Maroone 8 min | Thriller, Sci-Fi, Comedy | United States | 2022

DIPSOMANIAC By Jeremy Stewart 7 min | Drama | United States | 2022

DO OVER By Leslie Hardy and Jeffrey Wylie 16 min | Drama | United States | 2023

EN LA ARENA By Frankie Garcés 17 min | Romance, Coming-of-Age, Drama | United States | 2022

FIVE AND A HALF By Heidi Nyburg

15 min | Drama | United States | 2022

FOREIGN PLANETARY By Tiffany Lin 11 min | Sci-Fi, Drama, Thriller | United States | 2023

GABRIELA By Evelyn Lorena 16 min | Romance, Drama | United States | 2023

GOOD SESSION By Larry Rosen 8 min | Comedy | United States | 2022

GREAT WHITE LIES By Heather Andelsman 9 min | Romance, Drama | United States | 2023

HAPPY ENDING By Élodie Yung 17 min | Drama | United States | 2023

HINDSIGHT By Kimberly Michelle Vaughn 15 min | Satirical, Thriller, Dark Comedy | United States | 2022

HOMECOMING By David R. Hardberger 5 min | Drama | United States | 2023

INSIDE By Jessica Silvetti 9 min | Drama | United States | 2023

JADE By Robert Manning Jr. 16 min | Drama, Comedy, Coming-of-Age | United States | 2023

LAYAWAY By Kaitlyn T. Busbee 13 min | Drama | United States | 2023

LEO By Michael de la Flor 15 min | Thriller, Horror | United States | 2022

LIFE SAVER By Tina Yu-Tien Tsao 8 min | Comedy | United States | 2023 Selected as part of the 2023 CFF Screenwriting Incubator Program

LOSTLESS By Dustin James Leighton 4 min | Drama | United States | 2022

MACHO By Francisco Solorzano 11 min | Drama | United States | 2023 Selected as part of the 2023 CFF Screenwriting Incubator Program

METEORIC By Philip Sedgwick 19 min | Drama | United States | 2022

METHOD By Trevor Hembling

12 min | Dark Comedy, Thriller | United States | 2023

MIRAGE By Elizabeth Acevedo 15 min | Drama | United States | 2022

MUNDO By Charles Whitcher 18 min | Drama, Crime | United States | 2023

NOT APPROVED FOR CANCER TREATMENT By Michael Thomas Cain 16 min | Experimental | United States | 2022

NUESTRA SANTA LUCIA By Paul Tully 16 min | Drama | United States | 2023

PERCEPTION By Erik Bloomquist 12 min | Drama | United States | 2022

POSER By Casiano Roman Hamer 10 min | Family Drama, Drama | United States | 2023 Selected as part of the 2023 CFF Screenwriting Incubator Program

PRETTY CANOE By Nicholas Holland 19 min | Drama | United States | 2022

QUIQUE By Pedro Tamames 12 min | Drama, Comedy | United States | 2023

RE-ENTRY By RJ Zabasky 18 min | Drama | United States | 2022

RECOGNITION By Maria Prieto 15 min | Sci-Fi, Drama | United States | 2022

RETREATED By Julia Kots 12 min | Comedy, LGBTQ | United States | 2023

REVELATION By Jamielyn Lippman 15 min | Drama, LGBTQ | United States | 2023

SAM By Jen Stafford and Ryan Thielen 10 min | Drama | United States | 2023

STAIN By Anna Evtushenko 16 min | Drama | United States | 2022

SUBURBAN WITCH By Lily Emalfarb 10 min | Drama, Satire | United States | 2023

THE AFTERMATH By LaChelle Joy Hunt 7 min | Romance, History | United States | 2022

THE DAUGHTER By Zac Villanueva

13 min | Drama | United States | 2023

THE FLOWER THAT NEVER WILTS By Chris Shaw 24 min | Drama | United States | 2022

THE GLITCH By Katrina Chiovon 7 min | Comedy, Sci-Fi | United States | 2023

THE HAIRCUT By George Dickinson 5 min | Comedy, Horror, Thriller | United States | 2023

THE HISTORY WILL ALWAYS STAY By Christina Lilavois 6 min | Drama, History | United States | 2023 Selected as part of the 2023 CFF Screenwriting Incubator Program

THE INTERROGATION By Zenghiok Ng 13 min | Drama, LGBTQ, Thriller | United States | 2023

THE JAZZTIME PROJECT By Charles Mandracchia 3 min | Animation, Music | United States | 2023

TUGGING AT THE HARP STRINGS By Alex Bowling 19 min | Comedy, Romance, Drama | United States | 2022

UNLOCKED By Maria Palacio 20 min | Drama, Social Issues | United States | 2023

VICTORIA By Javier Molina 14 min | Drama | United States | 2022

VULTURE CITY, WYOMING By Anna Shea Keating 15 min | Western, Drama | United States | 2023

WALLS By Michael C. Perry 4 min | Animation | United States | 2023

WEST OF FRANK By Breton Tyner-Bryan 9 min | Sci-Fi, Dance, Fashion | United States | 2023

WHAT IF By Maria Alejandra Hernandez 19 min | Romance, Action | United States | 2022

WHY I HAD TO KILL YOU WHILE YOU SLEPT By Anthony Marinelli 16 min | Comedy | United States | 2023

INTERNATIONAL NARRATIVE SHORTS

AAAAH! By Osman Cerfon 12 min | Comedy, Family | France | 2022

AN OLD MAN AND A PHONE By Orlin Alexandrov Menkadzhiev 6 min | Drama | Bulgaria | 2022

BETWIN By I Jung Li 11 min | Drama | Taiwan | 2022

BWA KAYIMAN By Yves Beneche 13 min | History, Drama | Haiti | 2022

DEADLINE By Idan Gilboa 13 min | Dark Comedy, Animation | Israel | 2023

DELIVER US FROM THE MALE By Tony Le Bacq 15 min | Crime, Drama | France | 2022

FIFTY-FOUR DAYS By Cat White and Phoebe Torrance 18 min | Drama | United Kingdom | 2022

FLOWERS By Sim Danger Ferhad 5 min | Drama, Silent, Coming-of-Age, Family | United Kingdom | 2023

FROM ABOVE By Nicolaj Kopernikus 20 min | Drama | Denmark | 2023

HEY, SHAWTY! By Sarah Démonio 14 min | Drama | Guadeloupe | 2022

IN SEARCH OF DAD ONE NIGHT By Alkım Özmen 19 min | Drama, Comedy | Turkey | 2022

LILI By Brian Ríos 15 min | Drama | Puerto Rico | 2022

PUCK By Rebecca Ozer 11 min | Drama | United Kingdom | 2022

REQUIEM FOR A MARTYR By Jud Willmont and Nicholas Z. Scott 9 min | Drama | China | 2022

SKINNED (ÉCORCHÉE) By Joachim Hérissé

15 min | Animation, Horror | France | 2022

SURFACES By François Larpin 17 min | Drama | France | 2022

THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE RAV KALMENSON By Dayan D. Oualid 15 min | Fiction, Comedy | France | 2023

THE MONOPOL By Gal Genossar 19 min | Drama, History | Israel | 2023

DOCUMENTARY SHORTS

A BETTER PLACE By Jennifer Fearnley 33 min | Documentary, LGBTQ | United Kingdom | 2023

DREAMERS @WORK By Amna Ali 11 min | Documentary, Art | United States | 2023

DUB FX - THE BIRDS & THE BEES By Thomas Pizzinga 8 min | Documentary, Music | Italy | 2023

EUROPE BY BIDON By Samuel Albaric, Thomas Trichet 15 min | Documentary, Animation, Immigration | France | 2023

ZOYA CHERKASSKY SOVIET LIFE By Anat Schwartz 30 min | Documentary, Immigration, Art | Israel | 2022

CFF was founded by actresses Ingrid & Sonia Jean-Baptiste to give voices to the unheard by providing a platform to independent films and discovering new talents.

Chelsea Film Festival Board of Directors consists of renowned industry insiders: Paul Calderon, Elizabeth Kemp, and John Patrick Shanley.

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Our Mission: Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) - 501(c)(3) non-profit cultural organization - is an international film festival, enlightening the work of emerging filmmakers, producers, and actors. It offers a wide range of films, such as shorts, documentaries, and feature-length pieces. It empowers the work of risk-taking storytellers and remains committed to its mission to discover and develop independent artists and audiences around the world.

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