

COUCH FEST



2014 film festival program

Animation: 35 Minutes

Showtimes: 1pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm

9205 Renton Ave S (South Renton)

2144 Westlake Ave N (West Lake)

1107 33rd Ave E (Madison Park)

Beauty of Mathematics

Yann Pineill, Nicolas Lefauchaux (Parachutes), France, (2 mins)

Mathematics, rightly viewed, possesses not only truth, but supreme beauty.

One Night in Florida

Tess Martin, Seattle, (1 min)

A rollicking one minute journey through President Obama's July 2013 speech, in which he addressed the outrage caused by the trial of George Zimmerman.

Quälen (Torturing)

Rebecca Blöcher, Germany, (5 mins)

Based on the poem of the same name by Etta Streicher. A film that is concerned with not speaking out, keeping your feet still or moving to achieve inner freedom. About how individual mental states influence the world.

Marilyn Myller

Michael Please, USA, (6 mins)

Follow Marilyn through the frustrations, faults, triumphs and trivialities of her creative consciousness as she strives for perfection.

Intermission (5 minutes)

Drunker Than a Skunk

Bill Plympton, USA, (3 mins)

The adaptation from a poem by Walt Curtis about a cowboy town that torments the local drunk.

The Beast Inside

Drew Christie, Amy J. Enser, Seattle, (4 mins)

Told through the power of spoken word rap and illustrated with hand-drawn animations, a teen in a homeless family describes his challenges and celebrates the triumph of his creative self.

Mario

Tess Martin, Seattle, (3 mins)

A song is chanted that dates back to World War I. This paint on glass animation tells this dark tale of a soldier who returns home from war to find his girlfriend has left him.

Plug & Play

Michael Frei, Switzerland, (6 mins)

Anthropoid creatures with plugs in place of heads are up to mischief. Instead of abandoning oneself to the dictates of the raised finger, they soon submit to themselves.

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**7551 B 15th Avenue NW (Crown Hill/Ballard)
3219 Franklin Ave E Apt#6 (Montlake)
2133 3rd Ave (Belltown)**

Pledged

Celeste Fichter, USA, (3 mins)

A video about the dubious effectiveness of the indoctrination of children too young developmentally to comprehend the concept of patriotism.

Cruising Electric

Brumby Boylston, USA, (1 min)

Sixty lost seconds of endearingly questionable movie merchandising.

Valse

Chris Keller, UK, (4 mins)

Valse tells a short love story about snails. Sadly, the encounter takes place in an unfortunate location.

Una Cuestión de Etiqueta (A Question of Etiquette)

Roger Villarroya y Mario Rico, Spain, (4 mins)

You know you shouldn't, but your Mom likes it...

Intermission (5 minutes)

Mit Besten Grüßen (With Best Regards)

Bernhard Wenger, Germany, (5 mins)

A woman desperate to meet her crush takes her coworker's advice to "gently" damage his car and leave a note with her name and number.

Do I Have to Take Care of Everything?

Maria Leskinen, Finland, (7 mins)

A woman tries desperately to get her uncooperative family ready for a wedding.

!!RENEGADE!!

Kevin Van Witt, Michael Cavanaugh, USA, (5 mins)

Renegade is Pulp comic fun, with classic arch characters, comedy, romance and adventure. It is total male wishful filament fantasy condensed to 5 minutes!!

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2401 N Northlake Way, (Wallingford/Fremont)

8243 Wallingford Ave N (Greenlake/Wallingford)

6040 California Ave SW (West Seattle)

The Night Shift

Stefanie Malone & Shannon Snider, Seattle, (3 mins)

Welcome to Beth's Cafe--home of the twelve egg omelette. On the outside, Beth's appears to be your regular greasy spoon. But as you enter, you realize the people are the ones that really make this place special.

A Daughter's Scars

Polen Ly, Cambodia, (6 mins)

A Cambodian woman recounts her past as a sex worker and reveals the betrayal of her own family.

Flor de Toloache

Jenny Schweitzer, USA, (5 mins)

A group of women daringly challenge gender social norms in this depiction of an all-female mariachi band.

Intermission (5 minutes)

A Dose for Dominic

Ruth Gregory, Seattle, (7 mins)

A film about 5-year-old Dominic Leppell whose parents use medical cannabis to treat his severe case of autism.

Maikaru

Amanda Harryman, Seattle, (7 mins)

Maikaru looks toward a bright future having survived a childhood filled with violence and human trafficking.

Inappropriately Awesome: 32 Minutes

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5259 17th Ave NE (Ravenna/U-District)

6017 49th Ave SW (West Seattle)

954 21st Ave (Capitol Hill)

Dick Food

Maegan Houang, USA, (1 min)

Open your mouth and talk about what's on your mind...

Einfach (Simple)

Markus Wende, Germany, (1 min)

The naughty beauty of people wanting different things.

DVR

Dave Rock, USA, (8 mins)

A couple of self-obsessed, emotionally stunted narcissists have a heated discussion about cookies, fonts and who erased GAME OF THRONES off the DVR.

Gun Shy

Sam Goetz, USA (3 mins)

A police officer's attempt to help a stranger in a public bathroom takes a turn for the worst resulting in a disturbing inexplicable memory he'll never ever be able to shake.

Intermission (5 minutes)

She's Bad

Angelique Bosio, France, (4 mins)

Inspired by John Stezaker's collages, this psycho-sexual naughty horror story is a visual exploration of modern romance's games of seduction.

Life's a Bitch

Francois Jaros, Canada, (6 mins)

Love. Grief. Shock. Denial. Sleeplessness. Bubble bath. Mucus. Rejection. Awkward.

The Gunfighter

Eric Kissack, USA, (9 mins)

Just another period western meta comedy short film.

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3011 SW Cycle Court (West Seattle)

4503 Woodland Park Ave. N. apt# 5 (Wallingford)

1471 20th Ave (Capitol Hill)

Beep Beep

Isaac Winter, Adam Kemp, Canada, (6 mins)

Marty wants to buy a Jeep for some reason.

Valentine

Kate Herron, UK, (4 mins)

On Valentine's day, a hopeless romantic and a cynic realize that love is right in front of them.

Tuck Me In

Ignacio F. Rodó, Spain, (1 min)

Alex asks his father to tuck him in, but that's not the only thing he asks for...

Tau Seru (Small Yellow Field)

Rodd Rathjen, Australia, (8 mins)

A young nomadic shepherd in the Himalaya finds himself questioning what lies beyond the mountains that have always been his home.

Intermission (5 minutes)

El Aviador y el Marinero (The Aviator and the Sailor)

Nico Aguerre, Spain, (4 mins)

Two men with their mysterious story of loss and salvation.

SEND

Peter Vack, USA, (9 mins)

Separated for the summer, the only way for a teenage girl to communicate with her boyfriend is over the Internet.

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1819 East Pike St #302 (Capitol Hill)

3715 S Hudson St #111 (Columbia City)

5504 2nd Ave NW (Phinney Ridge)

Cliffs Quarries Bridges and Dams

Josh Hite, Canada, (4 mins)

Part of a series of works that archive, categorize, and reassemble audible human interventions into rural landscapes.

Mind in Body

Yael Bridge, USA, (7 mins)

This experimental short explores different ways of being trapped inside a broken body.

El Tío

Álex Montoya, Spain, (5 mins)

Sometimes not being heard is when the message is most powerful.

Intermission (5 minutes)

Hannah & Otto

John Gerard, Seattle, (7 mins)

A story of happenstance, and how the most important moments of our lives are only made possible by seemingly insignificant decisions.

Intermission (5 minutes)

BÄR (Bear)

Pascal Florks, Germany, (8 mins)

A grandpa's past was always very present. His past would break through in something he'd say or do, but he'd never talk about it.

