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SHORT MATTERS! Brings Nominated Shorts to a Festival Near You!
Supported by Shorts International, programme now includes 15 festivals

SHORT MATTERS! is the European Film Academy's short film tour which brings the short films nominated for the European Film Awards to a series of film festivals across Europe and beyond. As a new partner, world-wide short film distribution company Shorts International supports this year's SHORT MATTERS! programme giving these films an additional platform at 15 festivals which have already confirmed their participation and will screen the programme.

The programme brings the nominated short films to audiences in Bulgaria, Croatia, Finland, Germany, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Spain, and Sweden, and this year's cycle will be kicked off by screenings at the Tampere Film Festival (4 March) and the Sofia International Film Festival (14 & 18/19 March).

More info about Shorts International www.shortsinternational.com
More info about Short Matters!: www.europeanfilmacademy.org

Berlin, 26 February 2009

SHORT MATTERS! 2009

4 – 8 March 2009

Tampere Film Festival (Finland)

www.tamperefilmfestival.fi

5 – 15 March 2009

Sofia International Film Festival (Bulgaria)

www.sofiaiff.com

30 March – 3 April 2009

Belgrade Documentary and Short Film Festival (Serbia)

www.fest.org.yu

31 March – 5 April 2009

Festival del Cinema Europeo, Lecce (Italy)

festivaldelcinemaeuropeo.it

29 May – 4 June 2009

Krakow Film Festival (Poland)

www.kff.com.pl

1 – 5 July 2009

Tabor Film Festival (Croatia)

www.taborfilmfestival.com

9 – 18 July 2009

Jerusalem Film Festival (Israel)

www.jff.org.il

4 – 13 September 2009

Festiroia International Film Festival, Setúbal (Portugal)

www.festiroia.pt

18 – 21 September 2009

screenings organised by the Ministry of Education and Culture in Nicosia, Cyprus

19 – 25 October 2009

Uppsala Kortfilmfestival (Sweden)

www.shortfilmfestival.com

24 – 31 October 2009

Curtocircuito, Santiago de Compostela (Spain)

www.curtocircuito.org

7 – 15 November 2009

Alcine Festival de Cine (Spain)

www.alcine.org

13 -30 November 2009

Nordic Film Forum Scanorama, Vilnius and Kaunas (Lithuania)

kino.lt

13 – 22 November 2009

exground filmfest, Wiesbaden (Germany)

www.exground.com

10 – 15 November 2009

filmfest Braunschweig (Germany)

www.filmfest-braunschweig.de

The SHORT MATTERS! programme includes the following films:

Prix UIP Ghent: RAAK (Contact)
by Hanro Smitsman, Netherlands 2007, 10 min, fiction

Prix UIP Cork: THE APOLOGY LINE
by James Lees, UK 2007, 10 min, documentary

Prix UIP Valladolid: UN BISOU POUR LE MONDE (A Kiss for the World)
by Cyril Paris, France 2007, 9 min, fiction

Prix UIP Angers: PROCRASTINATION
by Johnny Kelly, UK 2007, 4 min 5 sec, animation

Prix UIP Rotterdam: JOY
by Joe Lawlor and Christine Molloy, UK 2008, 10 min, fiction

Prix UIP Berlin: FRANKIE
by Darren Thornton, Ireland 2007, 12 min, fiction

Prix UIP Tampere: THE PEARCE SISTERS
by Luis Cook, UK 2007, 10 min, animation

Prix UIP Cracow: TIME IS RUNNING OUT
by Marc Reisbig, UK 2007, 7 min, animation

Prix UIP Grimstad: UGUNS (Fire)
by Laila Pakalnina, Latvia 2007, 12 min, fiction

Prix UIP Edinburgh: SMÁFUGLAR (2 Birds)
by Rúnar Rúnarsson, Iceland 2008, 15 min, fiction

Prix UIP Vila do Conde: LOVE YOU MORE
by Sam Taylor-Wood, UK 2007, 15 min, fiction

Prix UIP Sarajevo: TOLERANTIA (Tolerance)
by Ivan Ramadan, Bosnia & Herzegovina 2008, 6 min, animation

Prix UIP Venice: DE ONBAATZUCHTIGEN (The Altruists)
by Koen Dejaegher, Belgium 2008, 14 min, fiction

Prix UIP Drama: TÜRELEM (With A Little Patience)
by Laszlo Nemes, Hungary 2007, 14 min, fiction