



8th Annual Route 66
International Film Festival
September 19-20, 2009
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Hoogland Center for the Arts
420 S. 6th Street
Springfield, Illinois

See 58 films in two days!

Featuring comedies, dramas,
documentaries, animation
from around the world!

Passholders can party
with the filmmakers and
see three bonus films on
Friday night, Sept. 18.

Passes and Tickets at Hoogland Center
for the Arts, 217/523-2787

www.scfta.org

Festival Pass: \$50, includes party
One-Day Pass: \$25

**Single Session Tickets:
Adults: \$10, Students: \$7
2009 FESTIVAL SCHEDULE**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Pre-festival Party, 6:00 p.m. - Midnight
(Festival Passholders Only)

Skatin' 66

Tyrone Dixon, Hollywood, CA
Musician Robbie Love skates Route 66 to promote
his music and raise money for charity. 65 m.

***Golden Blade III: Return of the Monkey's
Uncle***

TJ Wiedow, Asheville, NC
Kung Fu spoof with intentional bad dubs and
misspelled subtitles. 91 m.

The Crimson Mask

Elias Plagianos, Brooklyn, NY
Businessman and has-been wrestler struggle to break
free of overwhelming debt by any means. 85 m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

10:00 Audience Favorite Debut Competition

A Short Film about Love

HsinYin Sung, Taiwan
Street cleaner tries to win a beautiful woman with an
expensive gift. 7m.

Sinnerman

Travis Pittman, Kelly Daniela Norris, New York, NY
A student takes drastic measures to protect his future
when a former girlfriend becomes pregnant. 19 m.

Perspective

Laura Meoli, Bronx, NY
A magic camera gives a claymation artist a new
perspective on life. 13 m.

In the Dark

Alex Fazeli, Pasadena, CA

A double agent agrees to exchange information for
safe passage when Khomeini takes over Iran. 17 m.

Letter Home

Ken Pak, Ontario, Canada
One person understood what William went through in
the war; now it's his turn to understand. 9 m.

Business as Usual

Dominique Schilling, Los Angeles, CA
A young businesswoman suffers a miscarriage three
hours before a major presentation. 17 m.

And Seven Hours Later

Lynelle White, Centralia, IL
A geek and a preppy girl find something in common
when trapped in an elevator. 7 m.

The Last Legend

Brant Hadfield, Kirkwood, MO
A young woman journeys to a remote farm to solve a
riddle learned from her grandmother. 12 m.

11:50 Short Documentaries – Free Show

Safe Haven: The Warsaw Zoo

Gary Lester, Winter Park, FL
Story of how the zoo became a safe haven for 300
Jews at the beginning of WWII. 29 m.

Heart Sutra

Satoshi Hirayama, Japan
An interpretation of Buddhist text through scenes,
monologues & dance. 24 m.

1:00 Fest Sampler & Filmmaker Panel

***Skylight* - Animation**

David Baas, Toronto, Canada
Penguins deal with strange light from above. 5 m.

***The Bro Pact* - Foreign Language**

David Xarach, Victor Peceno, Spain
Three young men take a friendship pact one rule too
far. 6 m. (Written by Jan Militello, Rochester, IL)

I Am a Man: From Memphis, A Lesson in Life

Jonathan Epstein, Memphis, TN
Documentary of a sanitation worker who marched with Martin Luther King. 27 m.

Cantata in C Major – Best Experimental

Ronnie Cramer, Denver, CO
Montage of horror movie clips and sound tracks. 8 m.

***Hush* - Student Film - Drama**

Jauvonnie Brown, Chicago Vocational H. S.
Students keep secrets about family, drugs, and personal problems. 10 m.

***Repaired?* - Animation**

Seung-Hoo Ihm, San Francisco, CA
Aliens try to repair their ship. 3 m.

Scarecrow – History Award Winner

Patrick Knipe, Burbank, CA
Deserting Civil War soldier redeems himself by saving a runaway slave boy. 17 m.

***The Birthday Party* - Drama**

Veronique N. Doumbe, New York, NY
A 10-year-old's birthday party ends in tragedy. 7 m.

***Caught in Paint* - Experimental**

Rita Blitt, Leawood, KS
Artist's paintings are reproduced by dancers behind a glass partition while she paints. 6 m.

***The 2 Sons and Their Crogzoomies* - Comedy**

Dale Ward, Eureka, MO
Twins approach a task in different ways. 3 m.

***See You Next Fall* - Student Film - Comedy**

Allison Martsch, Nino LoGrasso, Springfield H.S.
Falling into a pile of leaves sends boy into an alternate universe where he is being pursued. 3 m.

***Appliance Night Out* – Animation**

Peter J. Casey, Rockford, IL
Washer and dryer have night on the town. 3 m.

Filmmaker Panel

Meet visiting filmmakers and hear about their films.

3:15 – 5:15 - Audience Favorite Comedy Competition

50 States

Caity Birmingham, Chicago, IL
Father & daughter go on road trip. 13m.

Woke Up Ugly

Ryan Parker, Memphis, TN
Man awakes with a different face prompting the girl of his dreams to confess her own affliction. 21m

Stalk Much?

Bill Bayken, Chicago, IL
Man experiences stages of grief after break-up. 10 m.

True Beauty This Night

Peter Besson, Sherman Oaks, CA
Rhett must convince his ideal woman to date him in spite of their unusual meeting. 10 m.

Death in Charge

Devi Snively, Mishawaka, IN
The grim reaper is mistaken for a babysitter and learns a thing or two about life. 15 m.

Sugar

Alex Beh, Chicago, IL
Waiter dreams of romance when diners ask for sugar. 8 m. (Co-produced by Brett Hays, Springfield)

***El Turista* (Subtitled)**

Lori Chodos, Toronto, Canada.
Tourist misses flight to Miami and vacations at home in Lima, Peru. 8 m.

Sprinkles

Josh Hope, Chicago, IL
Daughter is asked to dispose of dead dog. 8 m.

And the World Goes Round

Marie-Juliette Steinsvold, Brooklyn, NY
Fantasy about man who thinks he needs silver coins to win a promotion. 10 m.

“Animated American”

James Baker, Joe Haider, Pasadena, CA
Old-style cartoon characters must find new jobs when computer animation becomes the rage. 15 m.

6:30 – 8:30 Best Documentary Winner

Vietnam Long Time Coming

Gordon Quinn, Chicago, IL
Vietnam vets bike with their former enemies and make peace with their wartime experiences. 120 m.

8:45 – 11:30 Mature Audiences Only

Adult themes, nudity, language, R-rated

***Bathtub of Happiness* (Subtitled)**

Nadine & Norbert Keil, Munchen, Germany
Two strangers find love in magical bathtub. 27 m.

Mysterious Ways – Best Debut Feature

John Denn, Minneapolis, MN
Mysterious intruder forces prosecutor and his psychologist wife to examine their feelings. 98 m.

Soap

Dusty Mancinelli, Toronto, Canada
Young mother is desperate when she discovers her lover dead from slipping on a bar of soap. 15 m.

Foet (Director's Cut)

Ian Fischer, New York, NY
Based on F. Paul Wilson story, a pro-life woman falls in love with handbags made of fetal skin. 14 m.

Liminal

Stephen Keep Mills, Topanga, CA
Two women viciously argue about their relationship while in the nude. 14 m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

9:30 – Noon Audience Favorite Dramas

Hidden Hearts

Caity Birmingham, Chicago, IL
Siblings search for their old home and family. 15 m.

Open Your Eyes

Susan Cohen, Pasadena, CA

A woman diagnosed with breast cancer begins a journey of self-discovery when locked in a bathroom with a stranger during a bridal shower. 14 m.

The Paradigm Shift

Jon Barr, Bryn Mawr, PA

Professor assigns class to plan a presidential assassination and puts grad assistant in the middle. 26 m.

Dixon's Girl

Fernando Rivera, Miami, FL

An abandoned daughter finds her past, dark secrets through the afterlife. 19 m.

The Orchard

Will Simmons, Lincoln, MA

Fugitive stumbles on an apple orchard where things aren't what they seem. 21 m.

Robert Shaw

Bryan Dobrik, Peoria, IL

Man with enemies tells story in episodes. 10 m.

Runaway

Hermione Merry, Victoria, Australia 10 m.

Child's fairytale journey reveals horrible reality.

The Dying Western

Michael Kortlander, Athens, OH

Movie extra makes his mark by playing dying cowboys, but knows little about the real thing. 25 m.

1:00 Shorts & Comedy Feature Winner

***Burn Down* - Animation**

Hyun-Woo Kim, New York, NY

Life, death and rebirth all in an ashtray. 5 m.

***Live from New York* - Documentary**

Bridget Matthews, Astoria, NY

Story of Saturday Night Live's most loyal fan. 12 m.

***My Name Is Jerry* - Best Comedy Feature**

Morgan Mead, Muncie, IN

Middle-aged salesman decides to change his life when he meets a younger woman. 100 m.

3:15 Foreign Short & Feature Winner

Pelo Ouvido (Through the Ear)

Joaquim Haickel, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Young wife tries to preserve her passionate relationship with her handicapped husband. 17 m.

***Euforia* – Best Foreign Film Winner**

Alfonso Corona, Mexico

A burned-out 46-year-old former rock star risks everything to help a beautiful, young woman. 100 m.

5:30 – 8:30 Winning Shorts & Awards

***The Incident at Tower 37* – Best Animation**

Chris Perry, Northampton, MA

Watchman is menaced by intruders. 11 m.

***The Caretaker* – Best Debut Short**

Darryl Kinson, Burbank, CA

A young woman must decide to trust her instincts or a stranger when stranded in the desert. 22 m.

***Crook* – Best Thriller**

Daric Gates, Burbank, CA, (Chatham, IL native)

Real estate mogul becomes the target of a secret government agency in a political cover up. 30 m.

***William's Christening* – Best Drama Short**

Joshua Hume, Brooklyn, NY

Wealthy father & sleepwalking mother who misplaces her baby go to extremes to get another. 15 m.

***Dream the Life* – Best Comedy Short**

Rebecca Rocheford Davies, Australia (MN native)

Film star's favor for a pregnant waitress creates a media frenzy. 27 m.

***Al's Beef* - Best Western**

Dennis Hauck, Los Angeles, CA

A mysterious woman comes to western town for revenge. (Stars Jordan Ladd & Dean Stockwell) 35 m.

***Gone Fishing* – Best of Fest Winner**

Chris Jones, London, UK

An old man and a boy come to terms with bereavement through a love of fishing and a tale of a giant fish called Goliath. 13 m.

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