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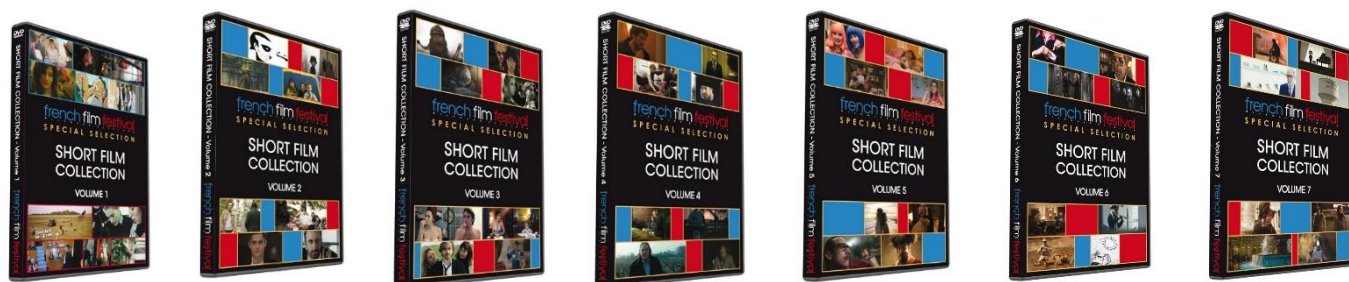
## About the Festival

Founded in 1993, the French Film Festival – Richmond, Virginia, with co-academic sponsors Virginia Commonwealth University and the University of Richmond, is an American-led initiative to:

- Promote French language cinema and culture in the United States
- Create a unique cinematic experience between French actors, directors and a diverse American public which takes place in Carytown the heart of Richmond
- Provide a learning experience through film culture which impacts individual lives

## The French Film Festival, Richmond, Virginia is:

- Recognized in 2003 by the French government as one of the most important French Film Festival in the United States
- A special place where the American public has to date met more than 850 directors, producers, actors, screen writers, film scholars, critics and French officials
- Proud to have screened to date over 750 French and francophone films at the historic Byrd Theatre in Carytown, Richmond, VA
- Comprised of 22,000 admissions each year.



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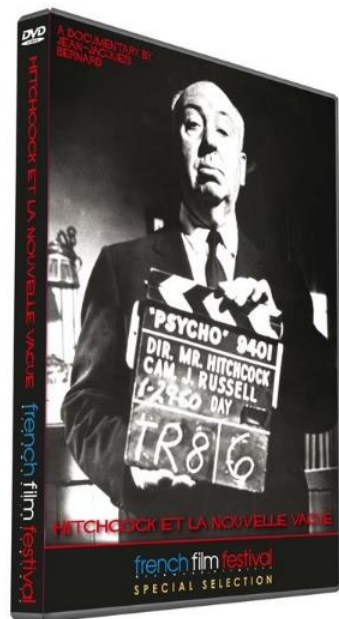
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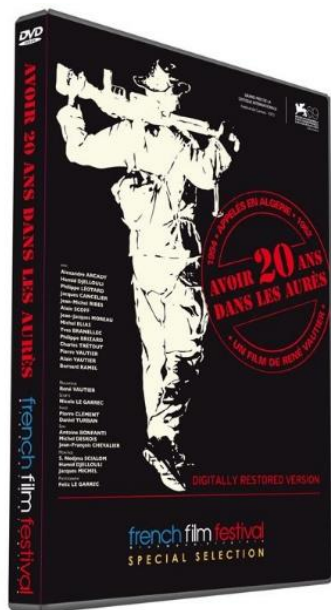
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## Feature films

### 01 *Hitchcock et la Nouvelle Vague* by Jean Jacques Bernard, 2012

Presented by Jean-Jacques Bernard at the University of Richmond & Virginia Commonwealth University 20<sup>th</sup> French Film Festival's Special Symposium on French Film: Arts, Science and Technology at Work for Humanity in 2012.

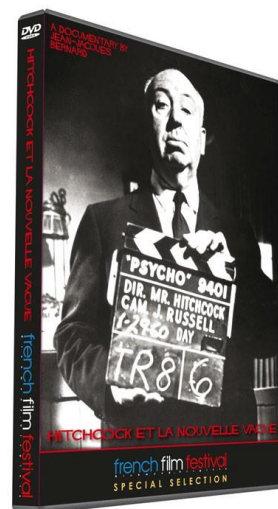
French New Wave directors Claude Chabrol, Jacques Rivette, Eric Rohmer, Jean-Luc Godard and François Truffaut became filmmakers after having been enthusiastic Alfred Hitchcock fans. Their approach to the "British master of Hollywood" was able to redefine the notion of "author (auteur)" in cinema.

How did it nourish their personal growth in film making during the 1950s?

*Hitchcock and the New Wave* goes to the sources themselves. Chabrol, Rivette and Rohmer agreed to participate in Jean-Jacques Bernard's quest for answers to this historic relationship between Hitchcock and these pillars of the *Cahiers du cinema* and the French New Wave.

Bernard offers us an invaluable documentary with insights, recollections and comments by Chabrol, Rivette and Rohmer as well as by Luc Moullet and Charles Bitsc and not to mention rare excerpts from hours of sound recordings between François Truffaut and Hitchcock himself.

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### 02 *Avoir 20 ans dans les Aurès* by René Vautier, 1972

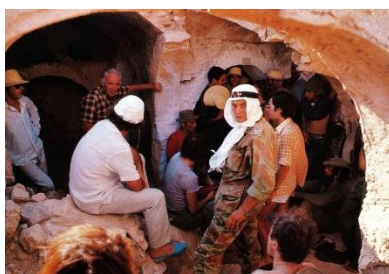
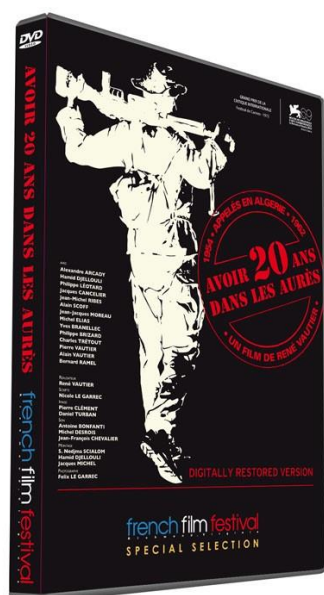
The Algerian war from a soldier's moral perspective in a film that barely made it past the censors!

René Vautier's documentary-style drama is not only anti-war but also unequivocally critical of how the French government handled the conflict. The French people, and particularly the French government, were not ready to come to terms with their colonial past until the 1970s.

In 1972, the film received the International Film Critics Award at the Cannes Film Festival.

René Vautier presented the film at the 20th French Film Festival in Richmond, Virginia for his first visit to the United States.

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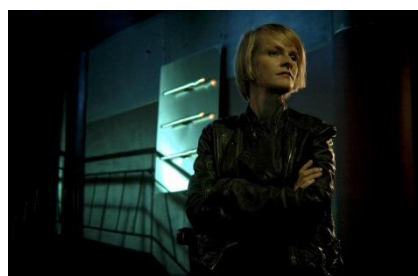
### 03 *Un Soir au Club* by Jean Achache, 2009

Jean Achache presented the US premiere of *Un soir au club* at the 21<sup>st</sup> French Film Festival in the historic cinema palace, the Byrd Theatre. Now distributed in the US on DVD with English subtitles by the Festival.

Simon Nardis, a former jazz pianist with an international reputation, has been leading a quiet life for ten years with his wife and family. But his life takes a whole new direction one night when he misses his train and passes by a jazz club located near the port of Brest. Deep down he has always known that for him life is only real when he is creating music. He finds himself face to face with the demons that it has taken him so much time to overcome: music, alcohol and doubts. He is hooked by the club's atmosphere and his encounter with Debbie, the club owner. Simon wants life to make his decisions for him.

This is exactly what is going to happen.

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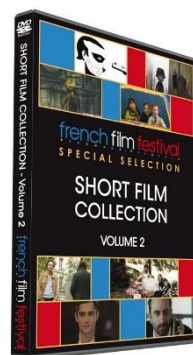
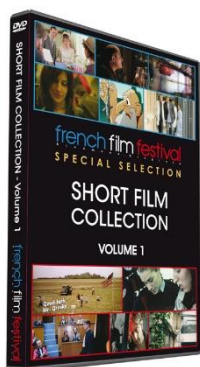
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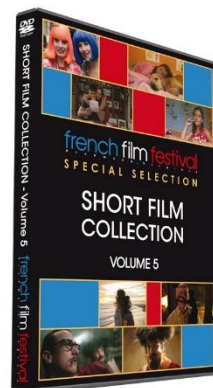
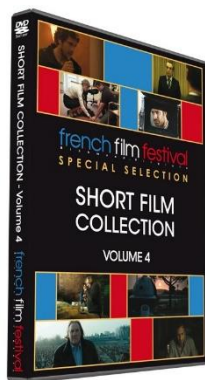
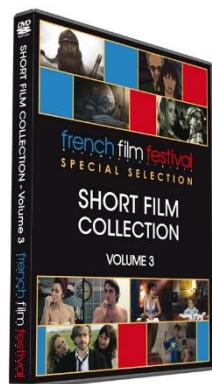
*Micha Mouse* by Mathieu Busson

*Prunelle et Mélodie* by Mathieu Simonet

*L'Incroyable voyage de Margaux* by Marc-Etienne Schwartz

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*Je veille sur vous* by Elodie Fiabane



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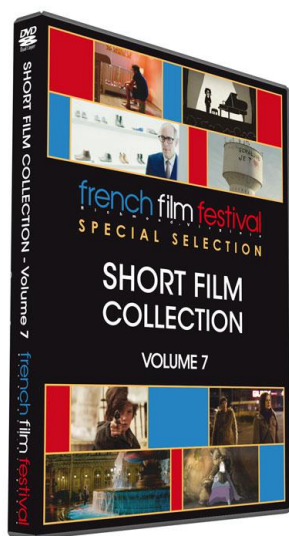
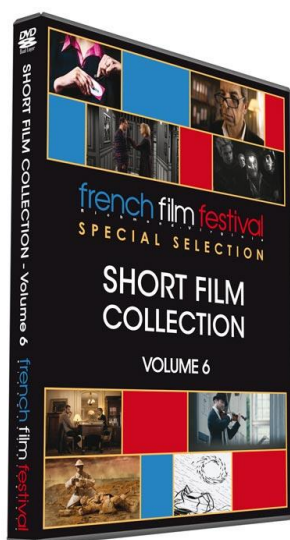
*Les Démons de Ludwig* by Gabriel Jacquel

*Dépareillé* by Michaël Pierrard

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*La Maison de poussière* by Jean-Claude Rozec

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### **Gratte-papier** by **Guillaume Martinez**

#### Credits

**Director:** Guillaume Martinez

**Screenwriter:** Guillaume Martinez

**Producer:** Guillaume Martinez – Babelone drone

#### Cast

Benjamin Bellecour ▪ Gaëlle Brunet

#### Synopsis

It was a day like any other in the Parisian metro, or maybe not? A young man sits quietly reading his book. A young woman is seated next to him. They have nothing in common, nor do they know each other in the slightest. In spite of this, something quiet unexpected occurs between them – in full view of all the other passengers. And yet, none of the other travelers seem to notice.



### **Good luck Mr. Grosky** by **Félicie Dutertre, François Rabes**

#### Credits

**Directors:** Félicie Dutertre, François Rabes

**Screenwriters:** Félicie Dutertre, François Rabes

**Producers:** Alain Attal, Philippe Lefebvre

#### Cast

Clement Sibony ▪ Andre Chazel ▪ Robert Getter

#### Synopsis

July 1969, on his voyage back to Earth, astronaut Neil Armstrong sent a mysterious message to the control tower: « Good luck Mr. Grosky ». Today, the astronaut gives an exceptional interview to a young French journalist who will try to solve the mystery that lies behind the first man to walk on the moon.



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### *La collection de Judicaël* by **Corinne Garfin**

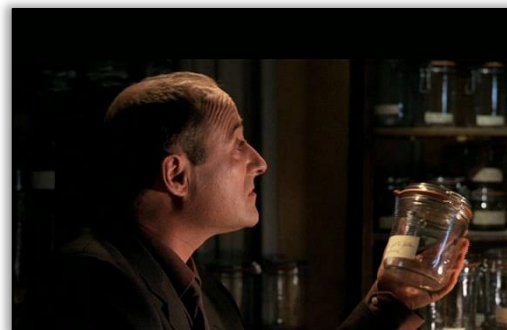
#### Credits

**Director:** Corinne Garfin

**Producer:** Delcor

#### Cast

Nicolas Quilliard



#### Synopsis

A man sits at home, alone, surrounded by a collection of hundreds of glass jars, all empty. Or so it seems...

### *Félicitations* by **Matthieu Rozé**

#### Credits

**Director:** Matthieu Roze

**Screenwriter:** Matthieu Roze

**Producer:** Jan Vasak

#### Cast

Raphaëline Goupilleau ▪ Jean-Claude Dauphin ▪ Sophie Guillemin



#### Synopsis

Françoise and Jean-Claude stroll into a porcelain store to find a gift for their niece's wedding.

An unfortunate gesture and a sugar bowl shatters into pieces. On the day of the wedding, Françoise has the brilliant idea to use her talents of mime and stunts. Look out for the fall!

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**Director:** Virginia Bach

**Screenwriter:** Virginia Bach

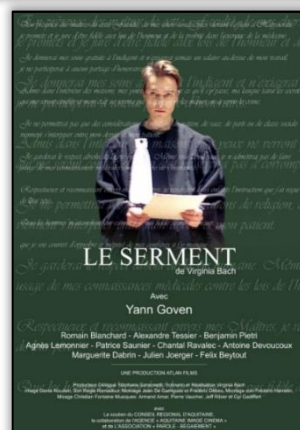
**Producer:** Stéphane Sansonetti - Atlan Films

#### Cast

Yann Goven

#### Synopsis

Jacques has a stammer. To finish his medical studies, he must read the Hippocratic oath in front of an audience which is, for him, a fearsome challenge.



### **Le Manie-tout** by Georges Le Piouffle

#### Credits

**Director:** Georges Le Piouffle

**Screenwriters:** Georges Le Piouffle, Zoé Galeron

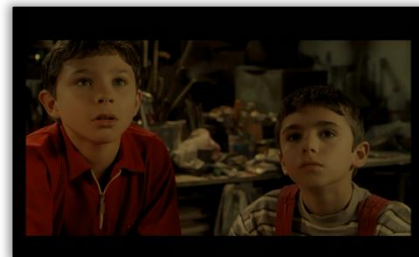
**Producer:** Patrick Maurin - Antiprod

#### Cast

Bernard Haller ▪ Jules Angelo Bigarnet ▪ Axelle Laffont ▪ Benjamin Gabbey ▪ Serge Hazanavicius

#### Synopsis

Ten-year-old Martin has to go to school through an alley he does not know. Behind a dusty shop window, he meets the mysterious Manie-tout, who is able to give life to his school bag. What would happen if, in the hands of the old man, everything could really walk? Then, Martin opens the door to a world of imagination and dreams...



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### *La Mule* by Jean-Stéphane Sauvaire

#### Credits

**Director:** Jean-Stéphane Sauvaire

**Screenwriter:** Jean-Stéphane Sauvaire

**Producer:** Horizon Productions



#### Cast

Rossy de Palma ▪ Karine Nuris

#### Synopsis

A suspicious woman from Columbia has just arrived in an international airport in France. She is stopped by customs and her journey takes an unexpected turn.

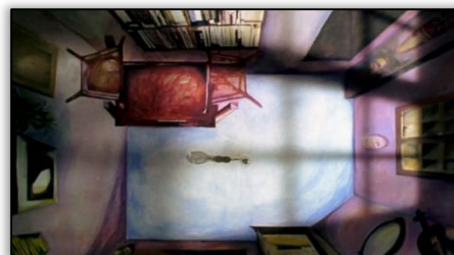
### *Ma Sixtine* by Jonathan Colinet, Sébastien Dubus

#### Credits

**Directors:** Jonathan Colinet, Sébastien Dubus

**Screenwriters:** Jonathan Colinet, Sébastien Dubus

**Producer:** Sacrebleu Productions



#### Cast

David Perrin ▪ Olivier Mansard ▪ Barbara Gassier

#### Synopsis

Jeff reproduces famous paintings. One day, the arrival of a new female neighbor on the floor above will turn his life on its head.

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### *Procuration* by Vital Philippot

#### Credits

**Director:** Vital Philippot

**Screenwriter:** Vital Philippot

**Producers:** Karine Blanc, Michel Tavarès



#### Cast

Guillaume Viry ▪ Sylvain Dieuaide ▪ Jean-Pierre Léonardini

#### Synopsis

Daniel Peretti, an old left-wing militant, has never missed voting in an election. On the very day of his death, he entrusts to his oldest son, Vincent, the mission of voting for him. That night, Vincent, horrified, finds in his pocket the ballot that he should have slipped into the ballot box. He does not know for whom he voted, but certainly not for the right candidate.

### *The Old Santiago and the Sea* by Julien Sèze

#### Credits

**Director:** Julien Seze

**Screenwriter:** Julien Seze

**Producer:** Emmanuel-Alain Raynal



#### Synopsis

It has been weeks since the old Santiago caught a fish. In the village, everybody says he is too old for this...

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### *It's Miracul' House* by Stéphane Freiss

#### Credits

**Director**: Stéphane Freiss

**Screenwriter**: Stéphane Freiss

**Producer**: Arouna Lipschitz

#### Cast

Stéphane Freiss ▪ Laurent Gérard ▪ Christophe Bouisse ▪ Françoise Lépine ▪ Nicole Gueden

#### Synopsis

Lying on her hospital bed, Alice asks to be examined by Doctor House. Her son, Christophe, is desperate to cure her from a disease that confines her to bed. Searching a way to fulfill her wish, Christophe thinks of Stéphane Freiss as a likely double of Hugh Laurie, and Laurent Gerra to imitate the French voice of House. Together they will come up with the oddest scenario. But of course, nothing will happen as planned.



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### *Petite Routine* by Matthieu Van Eeckhout

#### Credits

**Director:** Matthieu Van Eeckhout

**Screenwriter:** Matthieu Van Eeckhout

**Producers:** Philippe Braunstein, Axel Guyot  
(Les Films d'Avalon)



#### Cast

Guillaume Viry ▪ Sylvain Dieuaide ▪ Jean-Pierre Léonardini

#### Synopsis

While strange preparations are underway, a curious character speaks to us about his job: tricks of the trade, experiences, what you should and should not do — the routine of a true professional! But, just what is his job?

### *Petites histoires de reins du tout* by Françoise Marie

#### Credits

**Director:** Françoise Marie

**Screenwriters:** Corinne Spodek, Françoise Marie

**Producer:** Les Productions Faire Bleu



#### Synopsis

For young children who are confronted with disease, role-playing gives them an opportunity to express their concerns: the agonies of dialysis and waiting for a kidney transplant; their experiences at school, with their families, and in the hospital; their friendships and the intolerance; the joys and the tenderness. These are serious topics addressed in the language of children for children... as well as adults.

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### *A deux sur la comète* by Alexandre Mehring

#### Credits

**Director:** Alexandre Mehring

**Screenwriter:** Alexandre Mehring

**Producer:** DLH Côté-Court



#### Cast

Antoine Duléry ▪ Philippe Benard ▪ Yves Roux ▪ Pierre Roussette ▪ Michel Creton ▪ Pascale Pouzadoux ▪ Christiane Lay ▪ Patrick Rousseau ▪ Magaly Richard Serrano ▪ Zoë Ladavière

#### Synopsis

Two men decide that they want to take a shot at the good life, by robbing a bank. But – the success of the heist lies in careful planning.

### *Un jour sans...* by Yzabel Dzisky

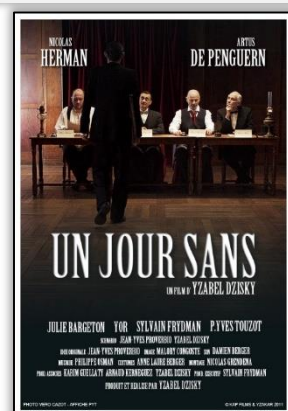
#### Credits

**Director:** Yzabel Dzisky

**Screenwriters:** Yzabel Dzisky, Jean-Yves Proverbio

#### Cast

Nicolas Herman ▪ Artus de Penguern ▪ Julie Bargeton ▪ Yor ▪ Sylvain Frydman ▪ Pierre-Yves Touzot



#### Synopsis

Fine Arts Academy in Vienna, 1908. Members of a jury having gotten a little tipsy over their lunch are making fun of the first candidate, who looks innocent and anxious. All is at stake for him now... All is at stake for the Future at this moment.

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***L'Evasion* by Arnaud Demuynck, Gilles Cuvelier, Gabriel Jacquel**

### Credits

**Directors:** Arnaud Demuynck, Gilles Cuvelier, Gabriel Jacquel

**Screenwriter:** Arnaud Demuynck

**Producer:** Les Films du Nord



### Synopsis

A man is in prison. His cellmate is tortured to death. When his jailers come for him, he manages to escape within the building, a desperate act because the jail is a labyrinth. But he eludes his captors until he ends up on the roof of the building. From a high watchtower, a soldier has a bead on him. There he expresses before them the full extent of his freedom.

***Palmipèdarium* by Jérémy Clapin**

### Credits

**Director:** Jérémy Clapin

**Screenwriter:** Jérémy Clapin

**Producer:** Richard Van Den Boom



### Synopsis

Simon knows ducks quite well. They make noise, fly, swim, some even roll. Sometimes, it is a bit confusing and Simon gets lost up in it all.

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### **Made in Taiwan** by Alexandre Mehring

#### Credits

**Director:** Alexandre Mehring

**Screenwriter:** Alexandre Mehring

**Producer:** Renaud Chabert - Trinity Films

#### Cast

Philippe Bénard ▪ Bô Gaultier de Kermoal ▪ Emilie Caen

#### Synopsis

An American G.I. on a mission to rescue a kidnapped woman will find himself confronted with a bloodthirsty warrior from another time.



### **Comme un air...** by Yohann Gloaguen

#### Credits

**Director:** Yohann Gloaguen

**Screenwriter:** Yohann Gloaguen

**Producer:** Arnaud Rouvillois - Agence Mercredi

#### Cast

Stéphane Höhn ▪ Ambre Boukebza ▪ Lucien Mérida ▪  
Olivier Le Joubioux ▪ Annie Grégorio ▪

#### Synopsis

On a street in Paris a man sings a well-known tune, *Vous les Femmes* by Julio Iglesias.

Soon everybody in Paris is singing it.



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### *Split Time* by Fabrice Bracq

#### Credits

**Director:** Fabrice Bracq

**Screenwriter:** Fabrice Bracq

#### Cast

Lucile Leber ▪ Jérémie Loiseau

#### Synopsis

A man and a woman in their mid-thirties. Attractive, single and day-dreamers, they cross each other a million times without ever meeting. Yet they are meant to be together.



### *Voûte plantaire* by Alexandre Mehring

#### Credits

**Director:** Alexandre Mehring

**Screenwriter:** Alexandre Mehring

**Producers:** Louma System, Bacon Brothers

#### Cast

Charlie Bruneau ▪ Sandra Valentin ▪ Jean-Noël Brouté

#### Synopsis

Tonight, Gérard, a rich orthopedic surgeon, has decided to end his life. Unfortunately, his plans are thwarted when he meets Julie and Camille, two young sisters who come out of nowhere and show him a very different outlook on life. They will bring him into an old child memory... perhaps to change his destiny?



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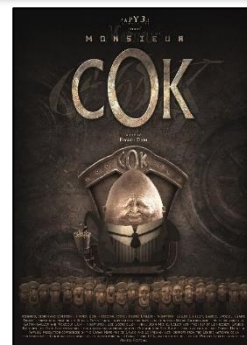
### *Monsieur Cok* by Franck Dion

#### Credits

**Director:** Franck Dion

**Screenwriter:** Franck Dion

**Producer:** Papy3D Productions



#### Synopsis

Mister Cok is the owner of a large bomb factory. His craze for productivity and his hunger for profit lead him to replace all of his employees with highly advanced robots. The former workers powerlessly witness their replacements at the factory. But that does not mean they will all leave without a fight.

### *Allons-y ! Alonzo !* by Camille Moulin-Dupré

#### Credits

**Director:** Camille Moulin-Dupré

**Screenwriter:** Camille Moulin-Dupré

**Producers:** Jean-François Le Corre, Arnaud Demuynck



#### Synopsis

This cartoon is a tribute to actor Jean-Paul Belmondo. A walkway by the seashore: an old man is reading his newspaper with his white dog at his side when a woman passing by interrupts his reading. He runs after the beautiful woman and dives into an animated comic strip which recounts his trials and tribulations on the big screen.

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## Short films **Volume 3** - 6 films

### *Duel* by Jean-Louis Hubert

#### Credits

**Director:** Jean-Loup Hubert

**Screenwriter:** Jean-Loup Hubert

**Producers:** Association Artistique de l'ADAMI,  
Les Films du Poisson



#### Cast

Jeanne Rosa ▪ Sébastien Tavel

#### Synopsis

A young couple plays the dangerous game of truth through a video camera.

### *Time 2 Split* by Fabrice Bracq

#### Credits

**Director:** Fabrice Bracq

**Screenwriter:** Fabrice Bracq

**Producer:** Fabrice Bracq

#### Cast

Flora Brunier ▪ Charly Totterwitz ▪ Andreas Mallah ▪  
Franck Pech

#### Synopsis

A couple, a young child. Life is such that sometimes it is time to separate and live one's life.



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## Short films **Volume 4 - 6 films**

### *La clef du problème* by **Guillaume Cotillard**

#### Credits

**Director:** Guillaume Cotillard

**Screenwriter:** Guillaume Cotillard

**Producer:** Magalie Potier

#### Cast

Guillaume Canet ▪ Anne Marivin ▪ Romain Appelbaum



#### Synopsis

On the way to the airport, Peter realizes that he forgot his passport at home. Scared that he is going to miss his flight, he urgently returns home to retrieve it. As soon as he arrives at his apartment, he discovers that he left his keys in the taxi. Fortunately, he has given a spare key to his neighbor Krista. However when Peter calls her, he learns that she is in Los Angeles.

### *Grenouille d'hiver* by **Slony Sow**

#### Credits

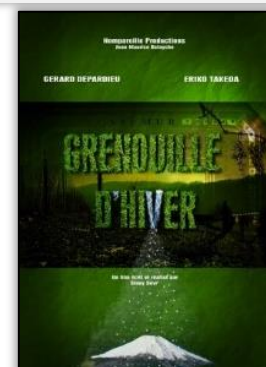
**Director:** Slony Sow

**Screenwriter:** Slony Sow

**Producer:** Jean-Maurice Belayche

#### Cast

Gérard Depardieu ▪ Eriko Takeda ▪ Sabine Lenoël



#### Synopsis

Benjamin, the owner of a vineyard, watches as his wife passes away in his arms from a terminal illness. Suicide is the only way he knows how to cope with mourning. But a young Japanese tourist shows up for a wine tasting and gently guides him through the mourning process through a series of symbols and cultural exchanges.

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## Short films **Volume 4 - 6 films**

### *Je t'attends toujours* by Clément Rière

#### Credits

**Director:** Clément Rière

**Screenwriter:** Clément Rière

**Producer:** Serge Houot

#### Cast

Guillaume Méziat ▪ Harold Boddez ▪ Antonin Bertheau ▪  
Matthieu Vaudeville ▪ Marie Coulonjou ▪ Olivier Besse ▪  
Garance Le Guillermic ▪ Noëlie Charles ▪ Milo Doquet



#### Synopsis

Since 1976, Arès, a small town in the county of Gironde, has been declared officially, and quite seriously, a landing site for UFO's. In the early 1990's, Jean-Philippe, a teenager who is fascinated by space and stars, suddenly disappears while visiting the site. Today, his brother Carl is confronted with disturbing documents which have remained a secret for nearly 20 years, and could help him finally find an explanation for what happened to Jean-Philippe.

### *Catharsis* by Cédric Prévost

#### Credits

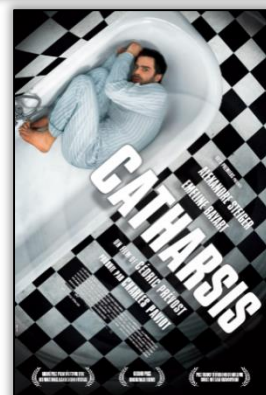
**Director:** Cédric Prévost

**Screenwriter:** Cédric Prévost

**Producer:** Charles Paviot

#### Cast

Alexandre Steiger ▪ Emeline Bayart ▪ René Carton



#### Synopsis

An unfulfilled, aspiring film director wakes suddenly inside a film as it is being made. Victim of his obsession, he struggles to find a way to get back to reality, to sanity, and to the girl he loves...

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## Short films **Volume 4 - 6 films**

### **Dead** by Ellis Chan

#### Credits

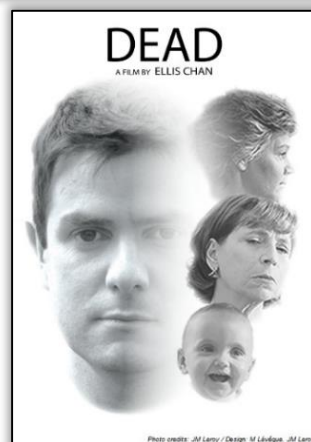
**Director:** Ellis Chan

**Screenwriter:** Ellis Chan

**Producer:** Ellis Chan

#### Cast

Christophe Davis ▪ Karine Texier ▪ Elisabeth Gelin ▪  
Emy Thibault ▪ Roxane Lebrun ▪ Jean Marc Lefebvre



#### Synopsis

Julien, a 35-year-old motorcyclist, unwillingly becomes a silent witness to the world around him. Unable to intervene directly, when his one-year-old daughter's life is endangered, he will find other means of changing the course of events.

### **Monsieur Leroi** by Simon Masnay, Charles Henry

#### Credits

**Directors:** Simon Masnay, Charles Henry

**Screenwriters:** Alexandre Markoff, Laurent Ferraro

**Producer:** Emmanuel About

#### Cast

Guy Lecluyse ▪ Gérald Laroche ▪ Jeanne Arenes ▪  
Valérie Bousquet ▪ Alexandre Markoff ▪ Laurent Ferraro ▪  
Bruno Paviot ▪ Elise Larnicol



#### Synopsis

Mr Grabin has been looking for a job for months. Today, he has an appointment with a multinational company's HR Director: Mr Leroi. But Mr Leroi's methods are a bit odd, and the interview quickly turns into a strange meeting. This comical and absurd short film reveals some of the alienation and estrangement caused by unemployment.

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## Short films **Volume 5 - 5 films**

### *Micha Mouse* by Mathieu Busson

#### Credits

**Director**: Mathieu Busson

**Screenwriters**: Mathieu Busson, Romain Sura

**Producer**: Christie Molia

#### Cast

Mathieu Busson ▪ Régis Royer ▪ Agathe Dronne ▪ Grégory Gadebois ▪ Rolland Gervet ▪ Jean-Luc Orofino

#### Synopsis

Filming in the Aquitaine region of France, Mathieu Busson directed *Micha Mouse* to create and reveal the “real life of a fictional character.” Set in New York City during the late 1920s, this biopic recounts the fantasized life of a certain Walt, a cartoonist who is idle and broke. Walt finds inspiration thanks to an encounter with a curious Lilliputian Russian neighbor named Micha. Micha’s appearance, while oppositional in character gave rise to the future hero... Mickey. Clips, reinventing the early black and white Disney Cartoons, surface throughout the film.



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## Short films **Volume 5 - 5 films**

### *Prunelle et Mélodie* by Mathieu Simonet

#### Credits

**Director:** Mathieu Simonet

**Screenwriter:** Mathieu Simonet

**Producer:** Marc-Etienne Schwartz

#### Cast

Julie Voisin ▪ Maud Forget ▪ Olli Barbé

#### Synopsis

Prunelle is blind, Mélodie deaf and mute. These two women become friends in an education center, which is meant to facilitate their adaption to daily life. Having created a system which permits them to communicate with each other, one day they share a common dream: to join a world where their handicap is no longer one. Determined to live this beautiful escape, they must tap into their ingenuity to realize their dream.



### *L'Incroyable voyage de Margaux* by Marc-Etienne Schwartz

#### Credits

**Director:** Marc-Etienne Schwartz

**Screenwriter:** Marc-Etienne Schwartz

**Producer:** Dimitri Billecocq

#### Cast

Mathias Mlekuz ▪ Nadia Fossier ▪ Margaux Montaldier ▪ Florent Chesné

#### Synopsis

Margaux, a 7 years-old girl, dearly loves Ticky, her golden retriever. But the dog falls sick and dies prematurely. Christian, Margaux's father, does not know how to break the news to his daughter, and comes up with a play to allow Ticky to remain alive in his daughter's heart...



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## Short films **Volume 5 - 5 films**

### *Les Perruches* by Julie Voisin

#### Credits

**Director:** Julie Voisin

**Screenwriter:** Julie Voisin

**Producer:** Nicolas Mestrallet – Les Films de Jules

**Associate producer:** Mathieu Simonet

#### Cast

Marie Kremer ▪ Julie Voisin ▪ Bruno Debrandt ▪  
Mathieu Simonet ▪ Helmi Dridi



#### Synopsis

Lili, an ill young woman, is faced one morning with the sudden loss of her hair. Uncomfortable with her appearance in a hospital wig, she cannot bring herself to leave her house. Her friend Laura proposes a radical solution: to give Lili a makeover from head to toe. Lili agrees to be transformed; little does she know that this makeover will fundamentally change the course of events.

### *Je veille sur vous* by Elodie Fiabane

#### Credits

**Director:** Elodie Fiabane

**Screenwriter:** Elodie Fiabane

**Producer:** Go Light Prod

#### Cast

Rufus ▪ Lisa Shuster ▪ Tarah Guarguir ▪ Hugo Liberman



#### Synopsis

Jacques spends his days painting, locked away in his apartment overflowing with his artwork. He spies on his neighbor's two rambunctious children, who unknowingly work their way into his life and disrupt his solitude.

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## Short films **Volume 6 - 7 films**

### *Avant que de tout perdre* by Xavier Legrand

#### Credits

**Director:** Xavier Legrand

**Screenwriter:** Xavier Legrand

**Producer:** Alexandre Gavras

#### Cast

Léa Drucker ▪ Anne Benoît Miljan Chatelain ▪  
Denis Ménochet

#### Synopsis

A young boy pretends to go to school and hides under a small bridge. A teenager in tears waits at a bus stop. A woman picks them up and drives them to the parking lot of a supermarket. They step out of the car, the woman takes a big trash bag out of the trunk. All three rush inside the store...



### *Diagnostic* by Fabrice Bracq

#### Credits

**Director:** Fabrice Bracq

**Screenwriter:** Antoine Cupial

**Producer:** Charlotte Janot

#### Cast

Michel Cymes ▪ Nicole Ferroni ▪ Arnaud Cosson ▪  
Roselyne Bachelot

#### Synopsis

Dr. Semyc is a specialist on a widespread disease for which there is no cure to date. To announce the diagnosis is a difficult exercise, that he however has mastered to perfection.



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## Short films **Volume 6 - 7 films**

### *Lettres de femmes* by Augusto Zanollo

#### Credits

**Director:** Augusto Zanollo

**Screenwriters:** Augusto Zanollo, Jean-Charles Finck

**Producer:** Gilbert Hus

#### Synopsis

On the battlefields of the First World War, the medic Simon patches up the shattered faces of the injured soldiers with love letters, words from beloved women which have the power to heal the wounds of these paper soldiers. As for Simon, he seems to be immune to injury, creases and rips judging by his pristine medical jacket. His secret? His wartime godmother who occupies all his thoughts every spare moment he can get. Knowing that she is out of harm, back home, gives him the necessary strength to confront the daily horrors and death that war throws at him. But when death happens where it is least expected, can these words on paper still ease the pain?



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## Short films **Volume 6 - 7 films**

### *Help!* by Jean Marboeuf

#### Credits

**Director:** Jean Marboeuf

**Screenwriter:** Jean Marboeuf

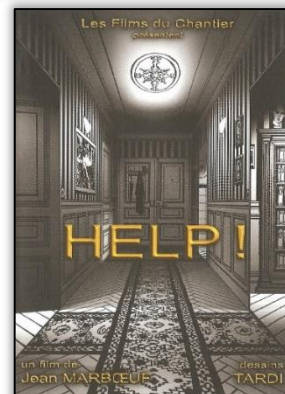
**Producer:** Jean Marboeuf

#### Cast

Éric Mariotto ▪ Julie Marbœuf ▪ Paul Borne ▪ Pierre Cognon

#### Synopsis

Mr. Martin and his wife live in a middle-class apartment surrounded by “noticeable minority” neighbors, too noticeable for Mr. Martin who thinks “damarab” writes as a single word. From denunciation to cowardice, betrayal to collaboration, he will end up flushed down in some domestic Niagara Falls.



### *7.57 am-pm* Simon Lelouch

#### Credits

**Director:** Simon Lelouch

**Screenwriter:** Simon Lelouch

**Producer:** Patrick Salama

#### Cast

Renaud Capuçon

#### Synopsis

May 25, 2009: Renaud Capuçon insisted in taking part in this film by interpreting Gluck's masterpiece “Orfeo Melody” on a 1737 Guarnerius violin named “Viscount of Panette” in the Paris subway, Line 6, from 7:57 a.m. to 7:57 p.m. Two days later, his sold-out concert was taking place at the prestigious Théâtre des Champs-Élysées in Paris.



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### *The Radar* by Nicky Marbot, Jan Rouiller

#### Credits

**Directors**: Nicky Marbot, Jan Rouiller

**Screenwriters**: Nicky Marbot, Jan Rouiller

**Producer**: Franck Carle

#### Cast

Gauthier Battoue ▪ Garlan Le Martelot ▪ David Sighicelli ▪  
Édouard Lamoitier ▪ Husky Kihal ▪ Claire Beaugé

#### Synopsis

How do you get photos out of a speed-radar camera box after getting zapped? You certainly should not count on the help of Fender and Baguette, and even less on José, the Gypsy. As for the police, they are busy dealing with... ravens!



### *La Révolution des crabes* by Arthur de Pins

#### Credits

**Director**: Arthur de Pins

**Screenwriter**: Arthur de Pins

**Producer**: Jérémy Rochigneux – Metronomic

#### Synopsis

The crabs of the Gironde Estuary in France face a serious handicap: they cannot change direction and are damned to follow the same straight line their whole lives. How do they cope with this tragic fate?



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## Short films **Volume 7 - 6 films**

### *Bébé à tout prix* by **Guillaume Clicquot**

#### Credits

**Director:** Guillaume Clicquot

**Screenwriter:** Guillaume Clicquot

**Producer:** Sébastien Chamailard

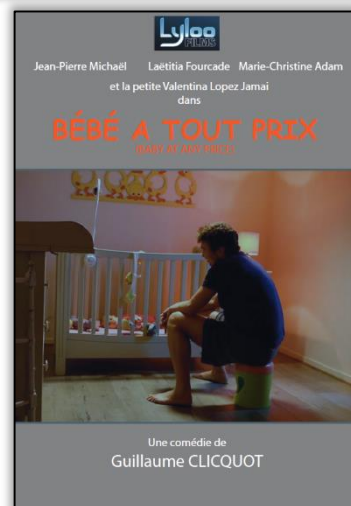
#### Cast

Laetitia Fourcade ▪ Jean-Pierre Michaël ▪

Marie-Christine Adam

#### Synopsis

Proud of having a child, a father commits himself to taking care of the baby. Then begins a nightmarish evening...



### *Les Démons de Ludwig* by **Gabriel Jacquél**

#### Credits

**Director:** Gabriel Jacquél

**Screenwriters:** Gabriel Jacquél, Mélanie Duval

**Animation:** Gabriel Jacquél

**Producer:** Arnaud Demuynck

#### Synopsis

A man steps on stage, sits down in front of the piano, and gets ready to play. His name is Beethoven. But our two instigators Recto and Verso, soon take over the keyboard and disrupt the maestro's performance...



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### *Dépareillé* by Michaël Pierrard

#### Credits

**Director:** Michaël Pierrard

**Screenwriters:** Fabien Vergez, Michaël Pierrard

**Producer:** Victor Holl

#### Cast

Douglas Rand ▪ Linh-Dan Pham ▪ Nicolas Duvauchelle ▪  
Audrey Looten ▪ Roger Delattre ▪ Marceline Loridan Ivens

#### Synopsis

Paul is a shoe salesman. An untypical and lunar character, he has developed a surreal and fetishistic obsession: he cannot stand to see a shoe missing its match. Professional wacko, or socially offset character, at the end of his workday, Paul keeps wandering in the streets of Paris...



### *Géraldine je t'aime* by Emmanuel Courcol

#### Credits

**Director:** Emmanuel Courcol

**Screenwriter:** Emmanuel Courcol

**Producers:** Christophe Mazodier, Céline Chapdaniel

#### Cast

Grégory Gadebois ▪ Julie-Marie Parmentier ▪ Lisa Feneux ▪  
Isabelle Turschwell

#### Synopsis

Samuel is brought by circumstance to carpooling with a young woman. This unexpected meeting permits these two vulnerable humans beings, scarred by their past, to rediscover direction in their lives.



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### *La Maison de poussière* by Jean-Claude Rozec

#### Credits

**Director:** Jean-Claude Rozec

**Screenwriter:** Jean-Claude Rozec

**Animation:** Julien Leconte, Sylvain Lorent, Eleonora Marinoni, Jean-Claude Rozec, Antoine Maillère

**Producers:** Mathieu Courtois, Jean-François Le Corre



#### Synopsis

Slowly, the steel jaws devour the old apartment tower. A former tenant rushes into the rubble, chasing and running after unwary children. Then begins a strange journey into the heart of this “house” which shelters so many memories...

### *Nous sommes tous des êtres penchés* by Simon Lelouch

#### Credits

**Director:** Simon Lelouch

**Screenwriters:** Simon Lelouch, Lilian Llyod

**Producers:** Simon Lelouch, Xavier Francisci

#### Cast

Swann Arlaud ▪ Annabelle Hettmann ▪ Patrick Descamps



#### Synopsis

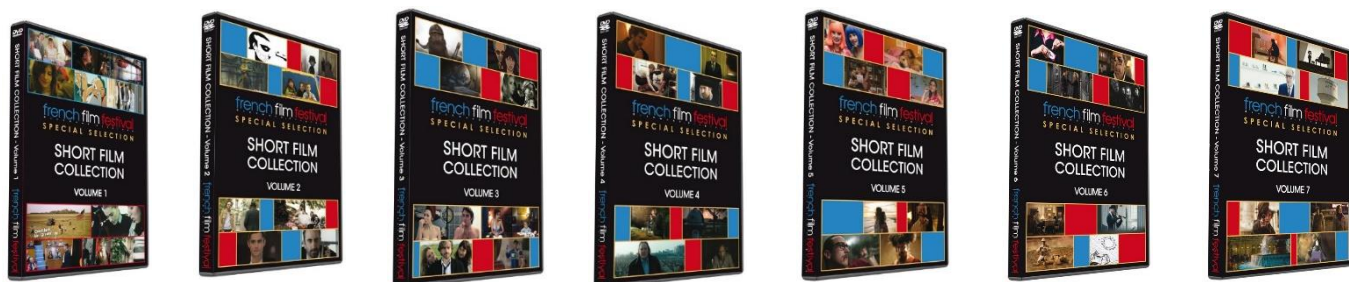
“We are all leaning beings”. It is how we keep standing upright. Buffalo Bill’s son does not shoot as well as his father, but he keeps practicing. Paul may cut hair just as well as his father, but his dad has to give him a chance to prove it, or, at least, starts looking at him. Two different fights, two different times, for the same urge to be recognized, told in two different stories that never stop ricocheting one on the other.

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