

RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

AUGUST 3-9, 2009

DAY TWO: Tuesday, August 4th

FILM FESTIVAL REGISTRATION & HOSPITALITY *(For Filmmakers and Media)*

Biltmore Hotel, 11 Dorrance Street, Providence, RI (401) 421-0700

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

RIFF OPENING NIGHT FESTIVITIES:

Providence Performing Arts Center (3,300 Seats)

200 Weybosset Street,

Providence, RI

(401) 421-2997

5:00 p.m.

President's Reception

Meet and speak with this year's visiting filmmakers and special guests, at an exclusive dinner party. *Tickets are \$100 and includes the entire evening of RIFF events listed below:*

The Marquee Room of the Providence Performing Arts Center will sparkle with international filmmaking stars on the rise at RIFF's 13th Official Presidential Reception. Joining us this year is famous composer Klaus Badelt, a gentleman of astonishing talent whose music has crossed nations, cultures, and generations. As a twice ASCAP Award winner, and a World Sound Track Award winner, his is a success story in the realm of music and film. Delicious catering by Ellen Loconto of Just Ellen's Catering & Event Planning will also be provided. Musical accompaniment by Lois Vaughan Jazz Duo will add to the creative flow of the night. Presidential tickets are available to the public for \$100 dollars per person on a limited basis and will provide access to all opening night festivities. The Official Presidential Reception is the "must attend" event of the festival; it is an opportunity for attendees to mix-and-mingle with international filmmakers, visiting celebrities, and special guests.

7:00 p.m.

RIFF Opening Night Short Film Selection, Theatre

The film screenings will begin at 7 PM in the Providence Performing Arts Center's main 3,300 seat theatre. With a roster of brilliant international short-films, audiences are sure to be delighted with the imagination that makes this festival shine. RIFF is honored to present **Mr. Klaus Badelt** with our **Crystal Image Award**; presented to an emerging artist whose outstanding work and vision epitomizes a new voice that must be heard; an individual whose talent will have a positive impact in the future. **Admission to this event is \$20 per person.** The Rhode Island International Film Festival is the only New England festival that serves as a qualifier for the Short Film Academy Award and it will once again open the 2009 Festival with a showcase of some of the finest examples of this popular genre. Many of the shorts will be World and U.S. premieres. Special support for this presentation is courtesy of **HB Communications** and **Sony Corporation**.

The 2009 Premiere Films:

"A Bike Ride"

Directed by: Bernard Attal

(2009, 13 min. U S A)

A young girl whose parents recently divorced reconciles the uncertainties of life

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during daily bicycle rides with her father.

A Son's War

Directed by Steven Edell

(2009, 25 min. Czech Republic, U S A)

Prague, 1939. The true story of Jan Wiener, a young Czech Jew, and his mother, Frantiska, struggling to survive at the outset of Nazi occupation during World War II. As the German army tightens its hold on the city and danger grows ever nearer, an S.S. Officer ultimately forces Jan to choose between his freedom and his mother's honor.

"Worth"

Directed by Kathi Carey

(2008, 7 min. U S A)

When a non-descript violin shows up at an upscale auction it seems wildly out of place. But who decides what something or someone is really worth? The answer may surprise you.

Léger Problème (Little inconvenience)

Directed by Hélène Florent

(2009, 9 min. Canada)

The life of an ordinary man seems to be very different on a day that seemed like every other day.

The Bake Shop Ghost

Directed by Lorette Bayle

(2009, 16 min. U S A)

In a haunted bake shop, a determined young woman struggles to find the perfect recipe to satisfy a hungry spirit. Based on a best-selling and much-loved short story by Jacqueline Ogburn, this film provides enchantment for all ages.

Triple Concerto in D Minor

Directed by Daniel Mitchell

(2008, 8 min, Australia)

Rebecca, an ambitious young girl from Clarinda, had always wanted to play her beloved triangle with an orchestra. When the National Youth Orchestra are in town holding auditions, Rebecca has the chance to make her everlasting dream true.

Out of the Blue

Directed by Michael Lavelle

(2009, 9 min. Ireland)

It looks like love has passed Georgie by until he discovers a strange television floating in the sea. He takes it home only to discover that there's more to it than meets the eye.

Pigeon: Impossible

Directed by Lucas Martell

(2009, 6 min. U S A)

'Pigeon: Impossible' is the tale of Walter, a rookie secret agent faced with a problem seldom covered in basic training: what to do when a curious pigeon gets trapped inside your multi-million dollar, government-issued nuclear briefcase.

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Las manos de Abel

Directed by Víctor Bárcena
(2009, 20 min. Spain)

Abel, a little child whose entire lifetime has been surrounded by nature, close to a small village, arrives to the big city after his father's death and discovers what it means to grow up quickly.

Post-It Love

Directed by Si&Ad .
(2008, 3 min. United Kingdom)

Girl meets boy in quirky office romance. Two like-minded souls, too shy to approach each other, find a new way to show their love for each other.

9:00 p.m.

RIIFF Gala Celebration,

Mezzanine & Lobby

An evening of great film will topped off with a taste of Rhode Island. The Post Premiere Party will be held in the lobby area and mezzanine of PPAC. This event is \$40 per person and will begin immediately following the screening and continue until 11 PM. Guests will enjoy a night of food and festivities, all with an international flavor as RIIFF pays tribute to its visiting filmmakers from around the world. In addition to the flavorful food, music will be provided by the Bobby Kyle Band, a jazz ensemble making it's Rhode Island debut, promises to be one of the best. Fabulous restaurants - including: Aspire, Dave's Marketplace Catering, Decadent Catering, GaGa Sherbetta, Local Hero Catering, Mill's Tavern, Pizza Pie-er, Venda Ravioli and Wholefoods - will be featured and enjoyed throughout the evening. Beverage sponsors include UFO Hefeweizen Beer by Harpoon Brewery and Skyy Vodka and Empire Soda.

Tickets: \$40; (Combo Tkt.--\$50 for film screening & party)