



# *Program information booklet*



*A  
world  
of  
stories.*

**International  
Short Film  
Festival  
Nijmegen  
3 → 7 April. 24**

## THE FILM PROGRAM

### THE FULL FILM PROGRAM

You can find the complete program of Go Short 2024 via our [website](#):

### PROGRAM LINES AT GO SHORT 2024

#### COMPETITION PROGRAMS: EU, NL, NA, MV

From well over three thousand submissions we selected the ninety best short films from Europe. These films will be screened in three different competitions: the European Competition (EU), the Dutch Competition (NL) and the New Arrivals Competition (NA). In our Eye Tunes: Music Video Competition (MV) you will see the best music videos of last year up on the big screen in the presence of their makers. On Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> of April, you will watch the films from the winners in Jury Winners. All of the audience favorites are collected and showcased during the Audience Favorites programs.

#### IN FOCUS

Climate change is a growing problem and is something the world has big concerns about. But paradoxically these worries often seem to fade when we are comforted with short term enjoyable moments, a sunny day easily seems to melt away our worries. This year we want to reflect on this phenomenon and be a bit more critical about the effects we have on our beautiful planet. Go Short wants to achieve this through this year's in focus theme... Heat Waves! Showing a certain duality and confronting people with discomfort is a theme that is also strictly represented in the works of Pilvi Takala. We are very excited to announce that she will be our filmmaker in Focus at the 2024 edition of Go Short!

#### Theme in Focus

Go Short wants to create awareness regarding the state of the earth and its climate. Dangerous Heat Waves are coming closer and closer, a bit of sun doesn't seem to be so innocent anymore... Europe is slowly falling victim to the upcoming warmth. This year we want to put the spotlight on European countries that have been confronted with the dangers of climate change the most, Greece and Portugal.

#### Filmmaker in Focus:

Her video art has been exhibited in multiple exhibitions worldwide. Her staged documentary-like films are set around the themes of everyday interactions. Interactions that seem normal suddenly become strange and alienated. Her social experimenting themes make us and her characters question why we behave in certain ways and why we are so quick to feel uncomfortable.

#### LATE NIGHT

Go Short goes around the clock. We don't stop, because also late at night there are plenty of films to be watched on the big screen. Get haunted by the horror shorts at Hooked on Horror, let your darkest desires run wild at Erotic Shorts, and get mind-blown by the freakiest animation shorts of all time during the film program Weird Animation.

## **SPECIAL SELECTION**

**Current Issues:** In the Current issues blocks four different guest curators tell their story through a captivating selection of short films. All four of them invite us to open our eyes on different relevant issues that certainly deserve our attention!

**Cinema Concerts:** music and film are often intertwined. However, sometimes we forget about the importance of music and its ability to bring a story to life. During this film block music takes the main stage by accompanying moving images with a beautiful live performance.

**Comedy Shorts:** current world, humor is much needed! Luckily, Go Short has selected five films with a variety of humor. From slapstick to uncomfortably relatable, from typical banter to pure absurdity. These films will bring you a laugh, make you think and, above all, give you pleasure.

**International Highlights:** During this film program you can watch highly anticipated films, films that have proved their worth at various international film festivals.

**Kill Your Darlings:** The films that almost made it. As a selection committee, we don't always see eye to eye on every film, and sadly, some gems just miss the cut. But these films are not to be missed. Each of them has a passionate supporter on our team who advocated for their inclusion. Discover the cinematic treasures that didn't quite make it to the final selection. Who knows, maybe you will find a new favorite?

**Oscar Shorts:** Discover Hollywood most prestigious event of the year. While the spotlight may be on the best feature film and actors, Go Short knows that short films deserve their moment in the sun. That is why we are proud to bring you the exclusive screening of all the nominees for the Oscars for Best Live Action and Best Animation short films. Join us as we celebrate the finest talents in the industry and experience the magic of short filmmaking.

**EAF/ESFA:** The European Audience Favorites is a film program where you watch films that have been selected as favorites by the European Short Film Audience at 10 different film festivals.

**The Best of Virtual Reality:** Hop on and join us on an adventure to the future! Completely forget about your surroundings and enjoy the innovative VR-projects the festival and its talented makers have to offer.

**Homegrown:** Apart from being an international festival Go Short is also very proud of all regional filmmakers! Delve into the local culture of Nijmegen's region and discover the many talents it holds.

**Project showcase:** Go Short offers a stage to all sorts of makers who are passionate about film, there is no big budget needed to make something amazing! During this program we admire all self-taught and independent filmmakers who dare to take risks and experiment with moving images.

## THE PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM

### THE FULL PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM

Go Short foregrounds artistic, technical, social and economic issues that filmmakers deal with – both behind the scenes and on the big screen. Between 3 and 7 April, we offer a lively, international melting pot where the most experienced professionals and starting-out, enthusiastic newcomers can meet and learn from each other. Join us as we explore short film and the industry behind it!

You can find the complete overview of the professionals program of Go Short 2024 including the descriptions of the sessions per day [via our website](#).

#### **WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL**

14:30-18:00 Opening Hours Guest Desk

16:00-17:30 Nijmegen City Walk | Start at the Guest Desk

17:30-18:30 Industry Drinks | The Marienburg Chapel

18:15-19:45 Filmmaker diner (upon invitation only) | Backstage

#### **THURSDAY 4 APRIL**

12:30-18:00 Openings Hours Guest Desk

13:00-14:00 Talent Talk: How to festival | Joris Ivenszaal

14:00-16:00 VR Professionals Hour | Location to be announced

14:30-15:30 Festival Meet-Up: Conducting A Code | Studio LUX

16:00-17:00 Case Study: The Stroker by Pilvi Takala

17:00-18:30 Industry Drinks | The Marienburg Chapel

18:30-20:00 Filmmakers Diner (upon invitation only) | Backstage

22:30-03:00 PARTY: A Dollar Short | Café Dollars

#### **FRIDAY 5 APRIL**

9:30-17:30 Openings Hours Guest Desk

10:00-11:00 Breakfast Meeting: Meet the Industry | The Marienburg Chapel

11:00-13:00 The Dutch Short Film Pitch | LUX1

11:30-13:00 Masterclass: Creating A Cast | LUX6

13:30-14:15 Dutch Short Film Pitch 1-ON-1S | The Marienburg Chapel

14:30-17:00 Roundtable Talks: Big Things Have Small Beginnings | LUX6

14:30-15:30 Talent Talk: Short and Powerful | LUX5

15:45-17:00 First Impressions | Joris Ivenszaal

17:00-19:00 Industry Drinks: De Kortefilmborrel | The Marienburg Chapel

23:00-04:00 Party: Club Short | Merleyn

#### **SATURDAY 6 APRIL**

9:30-16:30 Openings Hours Guest Desk

10:00-11:00 Breakfast Meetings: Writers Meet Producers | The Library

10:00-11:00 Breakfast Meetings BMIM x Go Short: Composers Meet Directors | The Library

10:00-11:30 The Dutch Short Film Preview

11:00-12:00 Breakfast Meetings: Connecting to Your Peers | The Library

13:00-14:00 Talent Talk: Finding Your Rhythm | LUX6

13:00-14:00 Expanded Cinema Pitches | Studio LUX

14:00-16:00 Writers Room | The Library

16:00-17:30 Industry Drinks | The Marienburg Chapel

20:00-21:00 Go Short Awards (upon invitation only) | LUX4

22:00-03:00 Party Go Go Silent Disco | Café LUX

**SUNDAY 7 APRIL**

10:00-12:00 Openings Hours Guest Desk

11:00-13:00 Farwell Brunch | The Marienburg Chapel

10:00-12:00 Breakfast Meetings: Upon Request

13:30-15:30 | Studio LUX + 15:30-16:30 Gelderland Film Meeting: Found Footage | The Marienburg Chapel