



FRIDAY. AUG. 11, 2023 • 2pm to 5:30pm

Ottawa Art Gallery (3rd Floor), Alma Duncan Salon

-Matinee-

Time: 2pm

Legends Unleashed: Animated & Live Action Shorts (89m)

Time: 4pm

My Indian Name: Doc Program (82m)

+ Short Q&A with Filmmakers in attendance!

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Legends Unleashed: Animated & Live Action Shorts (89m)



The Fire

Roger Boyer • 6m • 2022 • Canada • Eng.

Colin & Marie are mourning the loss of their father/husband Bruce, but tonight he comes to visit Colin in a dream with an important message.



Rieban - the Fox

Sara Margrethe Oskal (Sami) • 8m • 2023 • Norway

Early autumn, on the Arctic tundra, a Sami man is on his annual fishing trip. So is Rieban, the fox. And she has her own style of hunting. A Sami musical short film with traditional yoik and rap music.



Whistling Woods

Barry Bilinsky (Cree, Métis, Ukrainian) • 11m • 2022 • Canada • Cree, English

Snacks, board games, staring at their phones; these kids have done everything they can to stave off boredom. Except something they were told never to do... whistle into the dark dark woods and lure the dark spirits within. But that was just a story... or is there truth to those terrifying tales after all?



Aikāne

Dir. Daniel Sousa / Prod. Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu (Kanaka) • 14m • 2023 • USA • No Dialogue

A valiant island warrior, wounded in battle against foreign invaders, falls into a mysterious underwater world. When the octopus who rescues him transforms into a handsome young man, they become aikāne, intimate friends bound by love and trust, and an epic adventure begins.

Məca OFFICIAL TRAILER



Məca

Ritchie Hemphill (Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw), Ryan Haché • 8m • 2021 • Canada • Bakwamkala language w/ Eng Subs.

Məca is a stop motion representation of the late Elder Ida Smith telling her grandson the 'Nakwax'daxw legend of the Mink. In this film Ida tells the story in the Bakwamkala language. Mink, or "Məca", is an impatient son of the Sun who is trying to force himself into being someone other than he is, so that he can impress love interests. Throughout his journey Məca will learn what it means to have humility, patience, and to be better at self acceptance.



Nya'waap Illyuw Uuchyuw, Our Way of Knowing

The Barona Band of the Kumeyaay, Ken Winikur • 19.5m • 2023 • USA • English

Nya'waap Illyuw Uuchyuw—Our Way of Knowing is a twenty-minute film that shares the origin story of the Barona Band of the Kumeyaay, never before shared publicly. The film interweaves live action and original animation with songs and storytelling by Kumeyaay elders. Produced in collaboration between the Barona Band of Mission Indians and Winikur Productions, this film helps preserve this vital cultural knowledge.e you'd like to show.



A Boy and his Loss

Michelle Derosier (Anishinaabe) • 7m • 2022 • Canada • English

A Boy and his Loss is the story of a boy who was so utterly consumed by grief, that he almost ran out of life. Fuelled by incredible loss, the boy walks on the edge of madness and decides he must live with the dead to be free. Drowning in grief, he is intercepted by an otherworldly intervention, where the boy must learn to let go.



Tiny

Ritchie Hemphill (Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw), Ryan Haché. • 16m • 2022 • Canada English

Tiny is a contemplative stop motion film which tells the story of 'Nakwaxda'xw Elder Colleen Hemphill's childhood. The film portrays modern day Colleen as she reflects on her past, and re-enacts the stories she tells of her youth, as a young girl growing up on a float-house in the wild and unpredictable Pacific Northwest and its waters. As she retells her story, Colleen notices how different her way of life was when she was young, and how much more harmonious her community was with nature. The film aims to celebrate the life and identity of Colleen by sharing the gift of her presence and stories with audiences.

My Indian Name: Doc Program (82m)



Honouring the Children

Rick Liberte • 4m • 2022 • Canada • English

Healing dance and spoken word on sacred lands of Banff, Alberta to honour the children of residential schools.



Fri. - Matinee Films



Savage / Future

Terry Jones (Seneca) • 3m • 2022 • USA • English

Editing to the soundscape of shaking Iroquois white corn and tapping, Seneca filmmaker Terry Jones uses personal and historic still images to link his family and the American Indian Boarding School experience.



Where The River Flows

Jason Song • 8m • 2023 • Canada • English

This film focuses on the story of Jackie Pizendewatch. An Anishinaabe hide tanning and drum making artist, currently residing in Kitigan Zibi. Jackie went to the residential school at a young age, despite all the hardships she has endured, she carried on the hide tanning tradition and is teaching the next generation on this cultural practice.



Bimibatoo-win: Where I Ran

Erica Daniels (Cree/Ojibway) • 22m • 2022 • Canada • Eng.

Charlie Bittern is a residential school survivor from Berens River First Nations in Manitoba. In 1967, when he was 19 years old, the principal of Birtle Indian Residential School forced him to run 80 km through a brutal blizzard. It took almost nine hours.

55 years later, Bittern embarks on the same journey – but this time, he's surrounded by his family.

Bittern hopes that retracing his steps will help him heal from his experience, while spreading awareness for all residential school survivors and all the children who never made it home.

My Indian Name Trailer



My Indian Name

Abraham Cote (Anishinabe) • 45m • 2021 • Canada • English

My “Indian” Name is a documentary that takes a look at how having their traditional names stripped away from them has impacted Indigenous peoples. Without their original names, people are often left trying to find how they fit in this world. Luckily today, steps are being taken to reclaim their basic right to their true names.

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BIMIBATOO-WIN

WHERE I RAN



A SURVIVOR STORY

Shared by CHARLIE BITTERN Directed by ERICA DANIELS
Produced by ERICA DANIELS, ADDISON SANDY and PAUL JAMES

CHARLIE BITTERN, A BIRTLE RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL SURVIVOR FROM BERENS RIVER FIRST NATION, REMEMBERS THE HARSH 80KM JOURNEY HIS PRINCIPAL FORCED HIM TO RUN ALONG HIGHWAY 1 AT THE AGE OF 19 IN THE MIDST OF MANITOBA'S BRUTAL BLIZZARD OF 1967. 55 YEARS LATER, CHARLIE WILL EMBARK ON THE SAME JOURNEY ALONGSIDE HIS FAMILY TO HEAL FROM HIS PAST AND SPREAD AWARENESS FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL SURVIVORS AND THE CHILDREN WHO NEVER MADE IT HOME.

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