

Inside Out (Short Dramas)

Matinee - Friday, August 12, 3:45pm
@ Ottawa Art Gallery (Alma Duncan Salon)

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The old man next door



Aidan Otene Dickens (Maori - Ngapuhi) • 15m • 2020 • New Zealand

Matiu, a war veteran who struggles with PTSD and agoraphobia, is unable to leave the safety of his home since his wife's passing. Shy student Yvonne from next door, his only visitor in self-imposed isolation, struggles with her own mental health. Distraught when her boyfriend leaves her, she stops taking her medication and soon spirals out of control. Matiu is the only witness to her descent into madness, which poses a threat to her life. He must find the strength within to cross the threshold and save her, or remain a prisoner of his fear..and his conscience.

Sunnies



Ismail Khan (Wailwan/Pakistani) • 11m • 2021 • Australia

After roaming the streets of his neighbourhood one morning, Malcolm, a troubled and somewhat delinquent teen, decides to steal a pair of sunglasses from the local shops – an act that is later revealed to be part of a much bigger plan.

Dogwood (Sipinikimm)



Maya Rose Dittloff (Mandan, Hidatsa, Amskapi Pikuni) • 15:41 • 2021 • United States

In this film about domestic violence, Dogwood is a metaphor for healing. It is a plant, similar to a willow, that can be found on the banks of streams and rivers throughout Northern Montana. Bright red, it creates a poultice that can be used to staunch wounds. The poultice appears grotesque - a wooden scab that oozes red liquid - but brings healing.

Niswayakan



Aaron Sinclair • 9 • 2021 • Canada

Seventeen-year-old David has lived with a wall that has built up between himself and his estranged mother, and consequently his indigenous heritage, but he begins to break down those barriers when his mother visits him over the winter holidays.

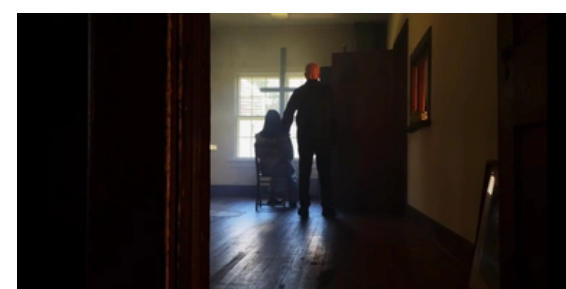
When Shadows Dance at Night



Director Taye Alvis (Anishinaabe), Producer Rachel Souza • 15:55 • 2021 • Canada • English

Following her brother's death, Georgia, a young college student, returns home to her reservation only to find she's become the prey of a shapeshifting, faceless figure.

Mirror Man



Ginew Benton (Ojibway) • 14:45 • 2021 • USA • English

A Native police officer, who is doubting her traditional faith, is called to a possible burglary but is met by a supernatural entity that leads her to a buried secret.

