## indestructible! Baseball on the Isthmus

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

2 min 44 sec. Movie trailer. Director and Writer: Eric Soussanin. Producer(s): David Mandel, Jacqueline Misla, Amanda Ramirez, Eric Soussanin.

The mighty history and uncertain future of baseball in the Republic of Panamá, and those fighting to recapture the sport from the grips of crisis. Youth Sports, Baseball, Sports History. Filmed in Panama and United States. Starring Candy Maldonado, Lemo Jiménez, José Camarena, Elías Sosa, Eric Jackson, David Salayandía, Bruce Chen, Olmedo Saenz, Omar Moreno, and Hector Lopez. English Subtitles. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## "To Make a Long Story Short"

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

29 min 32 sec, New Jersey

Documentary, Webisode/New Media project. Director and Producer: Sal DelGiudice. Writer(s): Sal DelGiudice & Jeff Sternberger.

A 3-foot-tall, wheelchair-bound musician and his band-mates reflect on the twenty-year journey to become the most sought after party band on the Jersey Shore. Documentary, Handicapped. Filmed in New Jersey. **Language.** Starring Shorty Long aka Ricky Tisch. LIIFE Alumni: Long Island: Uncovered, Walking Through Purgatory. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### 1-0

Friday July 12, 3:45 pm Film Block

10 min, United Arab Emirates

A woman directed film, A foreign film, A first time director film.

Director, Producer, and Writer: Nada ElAzhary.

When a flirty text to her crush accidently gets sent to her dad's phone instead, a shy teenager must do whatever it takes to delete the message before her dad finishes watching the match and checks his phone. Comedy. Filmed in the United Arab Emirates. English Subtitles. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The \$500 Dress

Friday July 12, 6:45 pm Film Block

5 min 41 secs.

A Long Island Film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Andrew Damon Henriques.

Sally finds the perfect dress for her but she can't afford it and tries to persuade her best friend, Vicky, to lend her the money. But Vicky is too preoccupied with packing and trying to get out of town to listen. Sci-fi, Comedy, Drama. Filmed in Bellport & Huntington. **Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: Mirror Image, 2009 Finishing fund grant, Ten Questions, 2013. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Acceptables**

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

12 min 27 sec, Manhattan

A woman directed film. Director and Producer: Michele Lyman.

The thrill of a first date takes an unexpected turn, when under the cover of night laws are changed and basic rights are revoked. Drama. Filmed in Manhattan. **Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: Getting Over, 2018. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Alternate Ego

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

19 min. Director and Writer: David Chai. Producer(s): Amy Ahn, David Chai

A naive young man receives a friend request from a beautiful stranger on social media then bumps into her the very next day. After a whirlwind romance, she wants to be introduced to his elusive father. Does she just want acceptance into the family or is she hiding an ulterior motive?

Drama. Filmed in Brooklyn and Manhattan. LIIFE Alumni: SIJI:DRIVER, 2018, Won Best Feature, Best Music, Nominated Best Director. A WORLD premiere.

## **American Marriage**

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

Leonardo, an Italian immigrant who lives in New York, marries a Latina woman, Nikki, to obtain the American green-card. Through the comedy of it all Nikki and Leo fall in love "for real" but it looks like "Uncle Sam" will be the one to have the last laugh. **Giorgio Arcelli Fontana** 

Director Part-Time Princess, James Ivory (Collaboration) Writer

Call Me By Your Name, Room with a View, Remains of the Day, Howards End Stephen Gibler Producer September Morning, One by One, Bread and Butter James Ivory Producer Call Me By Your Name, Room with a View, Remains of the Day, Howards End, Giorgio Arcelli Fontana Key Cast "Leo" Dance Again With Me, Heywood, Lori Hammel Key Cast "Ms. Strozzi" Burn After Reading, Master of None, The Big Sic, The Following

### Backstage

Wednesday July 17, 2:00 pm Film Block

9 min, United Arab Emirates

A foreign film, A first time director film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Sachin Augustine.

After a string of bad performances, an ageing theatre actor contemplates committing suicide on stage

during his final performance. Filmed in United Arab Emirates. English Subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Backup Plan

14 min. Queens

A first time director film. Director and Writer: David Beck. Producer(s): David Beck, Natalia Bougadellis, Emory Parker. Fired for being trans, a devoted grade school teacher decides the only solution is suicide, but an unexpected visit complicates her plan. Drama, Comedy, LGBTQIA. Starring Valeria Cotto (The Florida Project); Jennifer Bobbi (famous for the character "Aunt Barbara"). Filmed in Queens. LIIFE Alumni: "For Francis" - 2014. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### The Badge

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

10 min 51 sec, Massachusetts

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Derek Matar. Producer: Jimmy Bie.

Eight-year old Kyle faces a dark truth when his mother takes him along on a late-night drug deal. Crime, drama. Filmed in Massachusetts. Boston University, Massachusetts. **Some profanity and intense sequences.** A NEW YORK premiere.

### Bae

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

1 min 55 sec, New Jersey

A first time director film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Ryan Cervasio

Enjoying a quiet night with bae. Comedy. Filmed in New Jersey. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### Be There Soon

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

8 min 19 sec. A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: James Hardy. Producer(s): James Hardy, Ryan Ruby. An injured young man on crutches walks through the park on his way to an unknown destination. Filmed in Bellmore and West Babylon. LIIFE Alumni: SCREWBALL. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### Been A While

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block 31 min 20 sec, New Jersey

Director and Writer: Greg Jolley. Producer(s): John Hedlund, Francesco Nuzzi, and Greg Jolley. A young woman spends a day with her father, whom she has not seen in some time. Throughout their time together, old wounds, regrets, and revelations come to light, helping bridge a gap of communication between father and daughter in an effort to bring some reconciliation and closure with their respective pasts. Filmed in New Jersey. **Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: "Flare" 2018. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Benefits Not Included**

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

5 min, Connecticut

A woman directed film. Director: Jennifer Lyon. Producer and Writer: Dianne Rothenberg.

A light-hearted comedy of a woman determined to get unemployment benefits when she is terminated from her job. Filmed in Connecticut. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### The Birth of Deceit

Saturday July 13, 9:30 pm Film Block

2 min 7 sec. Trailer.

A peaceful town where all seems to be normal lies a dark cold secret. A couple befriends their neighbors close friends granddaughter for their own psychopath needs leading to the main character, Ambar andw her friends fighting for their lives. Yaw Agyapong Director & Writer, Yaw Agyapong Writer & Producer Ella b. Lynn Write Devin Richardson Producer, Dennis Scarfeo Producer, Vanessa Noel, Key Cast "Ambar "Terrence Keene Key Cast "Herald "Jennifer Silverstein Key Cast "Lucy Devin Richardson Key Cast "Oggie Dennis Scarfeo, Key Cast "Adam"

## Black N' Blue

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block12 min 5 sec, New Jersey

Director: Julius B. Kelly. Producer(s): B. Todd Johnston, Jim Thalman. Writer: B. Todd Johnston. A Marine struggling with PTSD comes home from his most recent tour in Afghanistan to find a police officer has profiled and killed his younger neighborhood friend. When he finds him patrolling the streets days after a simple conversation leads to dark consequences. Filmed in Union City, NJ. **Profanity and violence.** Starring Suzzanne Douglas. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The Blackout - Webisode

Sunday July 14, 10:15 am Film Block

47 min 18 sec, Moscow, Russian Federation

No meteorites hit Earth, no terrorists put the world in danger, no atomic war was started, but something did go wrong. Contact between most towns on Earth has been severed. A small ring-like area in Eastern Europe still has electricity, and maybe even life is being reported from the Space. There are dead bodies everywhere: in stores, in cars, on roads, in hospitals and railway stations. Scientists determine the cause of death to be a toxin produced by people's own bodies. Who or what is destroying all life on Earth? How long will the last outpost of mankind survive? Egor Baranov Director 2017, Gogol.Origins, 100 min, fiction / 2018, Gogol.Viy, 99 min, fiction / 2018, Gogol. A Terrible Venegeance, 100 min, fiction, Ilya Kulikov Writer, Valeriy Fedorovich Producer, Evgeniy Nikishov, Producer, Aleksey Chadov, Key Cast" Oleg" Nitght Watch (2004), Day Waych (2006), 9th Company (2005), Zhivoy (2006), Besstydniki

(2017)Pyotr Fedorov Key Cast"Yura", *Russia 88* (2009), *The Darkest Hour* (2011), *The Duelist* (2016), *Ledokol* (2016) Lukerya Ilyashenko Key Cas "Alena" *The Hunters* (2016), *Dance to Death* (2017), *Zhena Politseyskogo* (2017) Konstantin Lavronenko

Key Cast "Dolmatov" The Return (2003), The Banishment (2007) - The Best Actor, Cannes Film Festival, Kajinek (2010), Strangers of Patience (2018) Elena Lyadova Key Cast Elena (2011), The Geographer Drank His Globe Away (2013), Leviafan (2014)

#### The Break

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 30 sec, Manhattan

Director: Michael Goldburg. Producer(s): Dave Chan, Michael Goldburg, Janelle Tedesco. Writer(s): Janelle Tedesco, Michael Goldburg, Dave Chan.

An unhappy accountant works out her midlife crisis to become an artist during an alcohol-infused "break" with coworkers at her office. Comedy. Filmed in Manhattan. **Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: Michael Goldburg and Dave Chan have had three films accepted into LIIFE. What's Eating Dad? - 2015, Rye Manhattan - 2016, Sure-Fire - 2017. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Bristled**

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

4 min 57 sec, Queens

Animation. Director, Producer, and Writer: Scott Farrell.

After countless blind dates, a man swears that his next date will be the one. But could her flaw be too much for him to overcome? Bristled is a hand drawn comedic short film that deals with the way we perceive others and ourselves. Comedy. Filmed in Queens. A LONG ISLAND premiere

### **Chemistry Read**

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

8 min 30 sec, Massachusetts

Director: Norman Lang. Producer(s): Alison Wachtler, Elizabeth Dings. Writer: Alison Wachtler. After a hiatus in her acting career, Toni's agent gets her a "chemistry read" with the reality show, rapper Top Dogg for his upcoming movie. Their paths have crossed before; now she has to face his entourage, and he has to face his childhood. Comedy, Women, Ageism, Acting. Filmed in Massachusetts. Starring Alison Wachtler. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Clandestiny

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

12 min 19 sec, Manhattan

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Dylan Rogers. Producer(s): Dora Mendez, Dylan Rogers, Zenaida Mendez. When a sleeper agent in a covert, private intelligence firm, receives her long-awaited activation, she is all too eager to prove herself, until she receives an unexpected visitor with a desperate plea for help. Filmed in Manhattan. **Violence and moderate profanity.** A NEW YORK premiere.

## Coffee and a Donut

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

11 min 28 sec. Brooklyn

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Cary Patrick Martin. Producer(s): Laura Durkay, Cary Patrick Martin, Yanilsa Rafferty, Jun Chen.

A story of a young immigrant who cannot speak English trying to order breakfast at the local diner. Filmed in Brooklyn. English Subtitles. **Mild language**. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Coming and Going**

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

12 min 13 sec, Pennsylvania

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Shane Emery. Producer(s): Nick Furer and Shane Emery. Audrey, a cynical woman living in New York City decides to leave her life behind. Comedy/Drama. Filmed at Drexel University, Pennsylvania. **Profanity.** A NEW YORK premiere.

#### Corev

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

10 min 30 sec. Queens

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Steven St. Pierre. Producer(s): Ruya Koman, Steven St. Pierre Logline: A young dad, whose wife battles drug addiction, fights to protect his daughter and to stop the cycle. On this night he is in for a surprise when there's a sudden knock at the door. Filmed in Queens and Brooklyn. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Cosmic Light**

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

34 min. California

A first time director film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Niraj Pancholi.

An aspiring astronomer tackles the fate of humanity when the greatest discovery of all time comes into question - a mysterious cosmic light. Sci-Fi Drama. Filmed in California. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### **Daffodil**

Friday July 12, 3:45 pm Film Block

13 min, Queens

A woman directed film, A first time director film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Emily Coffin.

A woman makes a "life for life" deal with God in exchange for the well being of her missing son.

Drama. Filmed in Queens. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Damaged**

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 46 sec, Queens

A woman directed film, A first time director film. Director: Lydia Fiore. Producer(s): Sarah Lefler, Mirla Pereira. Writer: Thomas Occhi.

Tragedy hits a family for the second time and a mother unhappy with the handling of the first tragedy takes matters into her own hands. Drama. Filmed in Queens. **Profanity.** A WORLD premiere.

# The Dancer

Sunday July 14, 3:45 pm Film Block

15 min. Manhattan

Director and Writer: Roxanne Alese. Producer(s): Roxanne Alese & Rob Reilly.

Analisa, a world champion ballroom dancer, dreams of her passion and wakes to her daily nightmare. Now cut-off from the outside world in her Upper East Side brownstone, her last remaining friend and live-in nurse aide, Kathryn, stays by her side as she slips further from reality. Drama. Filmed in Manhattan. **Violence.** LIIFE Alumni: Back To Manhattan (2003) - Honorable Mention Best Film. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Deep Dive**

Sunday July 14, 10:15 am Film Block

6 min. California

Director and Writer: Mohammad Soleimanifeijani, Producer: Liam Young.

In the near future, everyone sees the city through their own set of augmented reality contact lenses. Through these digital screens, it is possible for them to curate their experience of the world, - just like an online network bubble that has become part of the physical world. Here a young Persian refugee arrives

at the border of Los Angeles and is given a mandatory set of government-issued immigrant transition AR lenses. Shut out of other people's reality she slowly descends into a new form of digital alienation. sci-fi, drama. Filmed at the Southern California School of Architecture. English Subtitles. A LONG ISLAND premiere

## Despair

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

10 min 53 sec. Queens

Director and Writer: Shaimond Patterson. Producer(s): Shaimond Patterson, Rachelle Le Blanc. Despair is a short film about a family dealing with the aftermath of their unarmed teenage son being shot and killed by the police. Drama. Filmed in Queens. A NASSAU COUNTY premiere.

#### The Divorce

Tuesday July 16, 2:00 pm Film Block

16 min 47 sec.

A woman directed film. Director and Writer: Lindsy Campbell. Producer(s): Lindsy Campbell, Tiffany Neeley, Nadine Nagamatsu, Navid Negahban.

Sally, an aging housewife, has been replaced by her husband with a shiny new bride. There's only one thing to do in this stinky situation. Filmed in New Mexico and Bernalillo. Starring Navid Negahban. **Sexual situations and Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: The Brazilian - 2013 - Short Film. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The Driving Dead

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

4 min 19 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film. Director(s) and Producer(s): Philip Snyder, Robert M. Snyder. Writer: Robert M. Snyder. A hitchhiker gets a ride that takes him farther away than he anticipated. Filmed in Atlantic Beach and Island Park. LIIFE Alumni: "Fitzgerald's Flask" (2006-Best Short Film-Video), "The Bag (2015), "The Eye" (2018), "Reaper Madness" (1998), "Midnight Confession" (2000), "Paperman" (2003), "The Tell-Tale Cell-A Rehearsal" (2004). A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### **DRIP**

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

9 min 4 sec.

Director and Writer: Jillian Cantwell. Producer(s): Stephanie Iscovitz, Rylie J. Neale.

A leaking air conditioner incites a white Manhattanite to accidentally murder his neighbor. In broad daylight, he is forced to find a way dispose of the body. Will he get away with it?

Filmed in Manhattan and Queens. Violence and gore. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### The Drone

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

14 min 25 sec, Texas

Director: Wojciech Lorenc. Producer: Jean Bodon. Writer: John J. McLaughlin.

Filmed in Texas. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Eddie's

Saturday July 13, 6:45 pm Film Block

25 min 32 sec, California

Webisode/New Media project. Director: Michael Lange. Producer(s): Eddie McGee, Nellie Nugiel, Tony Prado and Julie Scrymgeour. Writer(s): Alex Scrymgeour and David Brzozowski.

A staple of the Venice Boardwalk, Eddie's Bar & Grille has been a safe haven for locals and a happening tourist attraction for decades. Hit with an eviction notice that seems impossible to avoid, Eddie himself worries that the location's legacy is finally coming to an end - but will the amiable collection of employees

and regulars that inhabit the bar accept defeat so easily? Comedy, Television Pilot. Filmed in California. Starring Eddie McGee and George Wendt. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

# The Edge

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

4 min 40 sec, Pasadena, CA

Four people approach the edge of the world and have to decide if they will jump into the abyss.

Chelsea Lawrence Director, Writer & Producer Jesus Lloveras, Key Cast, Nick Moss

Key Cast, David Gianopoulos, Key Cast, Marti Maley Key Cast

## Effigy - Poison and the City

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

2 mins. Trailer. Germany

Director: Udo Flohr. Producer(s): Patricia Ryan, Udo Flohr. Writer(s): Peer Meter, Udo Flohr, Antonia Roeller. Based on the true story of 19th century serial killer Gesche Gottfried, who was found guilty of killing her parents, her three children, her twin brother, three husbands, and some friends and neighbors. Filmed in Germany. English Subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### **ELEANOR**

Saturday July 13, 6:45 pm Film Block 94 min.

A first time director film. Director: Aidan Kane. Producer(s): Aidan Kane, David Parr, Kohl Beck, Bree Michael Warner. Writer: David Parr.

Twenty-four strangers collide against the chaotic backdrop of New York City and explore the idea of fate versus coincidence. Calamity is a catalyst for self-realization in the world of ELEANOR. It is the beacon that unconsciously draws all of ELEANOR'S characters together. Drama. Filmed in Queens and Manhattan. Starring Bianca Marroquin. **Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: A short film titled, WE REMEMBER LIIFE's 2016 Kohl Beck producer. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### Extradition

Friday July 12, 3:45 pm Film Block

12 min 47 sec. Manhattan

Director: Anthony Robert Grasso. Producer(s): Kristin Samuelson, Anna Just. Writer: Kristin Samuelson. Inspired by real people and recent political events, EXTRADITION juxtaposes subversive characters from three countries: a savvy Russian hacker wanted for extradition back to Russia, a powerful, female US Senator who is Chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee and an attractive, ambitious counselor from Ukraine. Filmed in Manhattan. LIIFE Alumni: Anthony Grasso: The Last Night. Nominated. Best actor. 2017. Swiped Right and Kill Al - Best Actor. 2018. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### F.A.M.

Sunday July 14, 10:15 am Film Block

29 min 17 sec, Georgia

Webisode/New Media project. Director: Kyle Romanek. Producer(s): Anthony E Williams, Mallory Cunningham, Sean Morse-Barry. Writer: Anthony E Williams.

F.A.M. is a tv series set in a suburb of Atlanta where an executive Trey, is fighting to maintain the tangled web of relationships he has created between three women, his Wife, his Ex and his daughter.

Drama, Comedy, Family, LGBTQIA. Filmed in Georgia. **Profanity, sexual situations.** Emmy Winning

Director & Producer Kyle Romanek / Mallory Cunningham. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Fairytale**

Saturday July 13, 9:30 pm Film Block

87 min.

Director: Eli Hershko, David Spaltro. Producer(s): Eli Hershko, David Spaltro, Verity East, Robert Womack, Sharon Maguire, Writer: Based on a short story by Eli Hershko.

Verity kills a monster and drifts eastward on borrowed time. She meets Bec, another lost & abused soul. Together the girls try to find solace in one another but not for long. Drama, LGBTQIA. Filmed in Brooklyn, Nassau and Suffolk. **Violence & Nudity.** LIIFE Alumni: Carl(a) feature film won 2013 best original screenplay, nominated for best feature and best director. A NEW YORK premiere.

## **Family Obligations**

Friday July 12, 6:45 pm Film Block

82 min, Nassau County

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Kenneth R. Frank. Producer(s): Brett Brandle, Shawna Brandle, Kenneth R. Frank, Chris Mollica.

After his father's sudden death, Peter Steele becomes the unlikely caretaker of his Uncle Frank. As he shuffles Frank to and from doctors, he meets Melanie, a single mother who shows him that people might be worth the effort after all. Comedy/Drama. Filmed in Nassau County. Rockville Centre Rockville Tudor Apts., Golden Fortune, Unk's Laundromat, Long Beach boardwalk, Woodbury The Historical Chapel, Massapequa, Seaford, Uniondale and Floral Park Jack Duggan's Bar & Restaurant.

Adult language. A WORLD premiere.

#### **FATHER**

Saturday July 13, 6:45 pm Film Block

1 min, Nassau County

Director and Writer: Rob Graydon. Producer(s); Rob Graydon, Josh Graydon.

A young boy tries desperately to find a way to bring back his dead father. Sci-Fi Short Film. Filmed in Nassau County.. A WORLD premiere.

## **Fine**

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

4 min 56 sec.

A first time director. Director, Producer, and Writer: Michelle Lulic.

A woman making peace with the reality of her own existence. The short drama chronicles a conversation with her therapist that connects them in a way never before deemed possible.

Filmed in Manhattan and Brooklyn. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### **FIRST DISCO**

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

18 min 31 sec, Ireland

A woman directed film, A foreign film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Helen O'Reilly. Producer(s): Helen O'Reilly, David Christopher Lynch and Jim Sheridan.

Culture Club is No. 1 in the charts and everyone's glued to Knight Rider and Kelly is not only experiencing her first crush, she's going to her first disco. There's just one problem - she's getting train tracks on her teeth before her big night and she's not sure she'll survive! Filmed in Ireland. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Flip

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

7 min 42 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film, A woman directed film. Director: Melody Moy. Producer(s): Melody Moy, James O'Connor. Writer: James O'Connor.

A young boy is faced with a dilemma following an argument. Drama. Long Beach High School, New York. Filmed in Nassau County, Point Lookout and Rockville Center. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Follow**

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

11 min 45 sec, California

Director: Byron Stankus. Producer (s): Gregor Patsch and Byron Stankus. Writer: Gregor Patsch. While taking a much needed retreat into the wilderness, Heather, a budding young actress, finds out it is not easy to disconnect from one of her followers. Thriller. Filmed in California. **Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: "True to The Heart" Winner - Best First Feature 2011, Winner - Best Actor 2011, Winner - Best Actress 2011, Winner - Best Supporting Actress 2011. A NEW YORK premiere.

## **Funny You Never Knew**

Monday July 15, 1:00 pm Film Block 103 min.

A documentary, A first time director film. Director and Producer: Andrew Hunt. Writer(s): Ed Crasnick, Andrew Hunt, Frank Conniff.

Comedians Fred Willard and Kevin Pollak re-discover three remarkable TV comics from the 1950s: Imogene Coca, George Gobel and Martha Raye, whose groundbreaking work was broadcast live. Thanks to recently unearthed kinescopes a new audience can enjoy vital and hilarious performances that have languished unseen for 60 years. Comedy. Filmed in Manhattan and Los Angeles. Starring Fred Willard, Kevin Pollak, Bob Newhart, Lily Tomlin, Carl Reiner, Carol Channing, Mitzi Gaynor, Norman Lear, Tom Smothers, Kaye Ballard. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### The Gift of the Red Fern

Wednesday July 17, 2:00 pm Film Block

10 min, Florida

A documentary, A woman directed film, A first time director film. Director(s): Robyn McSheehy Hartman. Producer(s): Robyn McSheehy Hartman, Kelly McSheehy Hall. Writer: Kevin S. Brackett.

A child of the military, Kevin is always the new kid in school, shunned, lonely, and friendless. When his teacher reaches out to him with a thoughtful act of kindness, it changes his life in a way she never could have imagined. Grown-up Kevin Brackett, now a District Attorney, attributes his success to his 5th grade teacher Mrs. McSheehy, who ignited a love of reading in his heart through the classic book, "Where the Red Fern Grows." Filmed in Florida. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The Ghost and The Writer

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

14 min, Manhattan

A woman directed film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Christina Tucker. Producer(s): Christina Tucker. Nadia Zoe.

A withdrawn young writer struggles to adjust to life with his roommate: the ghost of an early 20th century actor. Filmed in Manhattan. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Go To Hell And Turn Left

Wednesday July 17, 2:00 pm Film Block

82 min, California

Director, Producer, and Writer: Carlo Caldana.

A deaf painter named Oif Schmilblitz finds his wife alive two years after her death. As he investigates her reappearance, Oif is caught in a whirlwind of misunderstanding, mistaken identity, and marital intrigue. Comedy. Filmed in California. Some English subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

## The Guy: The Brian Donahue Story

Saturday July 13, 1:00 pm Film Block 19 min.

A Long Island Film, A documentary. Director: E.J. McLeavey-Fisher. Producer(s): E.J. McLeavey-Fisher, Veronica Balta, Erik Auli. Stuntman, actor, UPS employee, former WWF wrestler, Disney World performer, and NFL nose tackle Brian Donahue has seemingly done it all. The Guy is a short documentary film chronicling Mr. Donahue's surreal story as he tries to strike a balance between paying the rent and

seeking out the elusive Hollywood spotlight. Filmed in Queens, Brooklyn, and Nassau County. **Violence and Profanity.** LIIFE Alumni: Stacked, 2012. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### **Ham Jam**

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

1 min 52 sec, California

Director: Sage Christian Drake. Producer: Sanelle Sibanda. Writer: Michelle Lewis.

A young actress entertains herself in a Los Angeles traffic jam. Filmed in California. A NEW YORK premiere.

## **Here We Stay**

Wednesday July 17, 8:00 pm Film Block

9 min 14 sec, Washington

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Joon Kim. Producer(s): Hilary Wang, Joon Kim.

A man desperate to sell his late mother's house realizes that his childhood home has other plans for him. Filmed in Washington. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### HOT 'N' NERDY

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block 15 min.

A Long Island Film, Webisode/New Media project. Director: Robert Vornkahl. Producer(s): Steven Tsapelas, Becca Valente. Writer: Steven Tsapelas.

A sitcom about two nerdy Long Island teens who find their lives challenged when they're befriended by the first girl they've ever seen at a comic book convention. But when her motives are questioned, she is forced to reveal a secret about herself. Set in the year 2000, this is a heartfelt and humorous look back at a time before "nerd culture" went mainstream. Filmed in Nassau County at United Skates of America in Massapequa, Tri-County Flea Market in Levittown and one day in Norwalk, Connecticut. **Some suggestive dialogue.** LIIFE Alumni: Be My Valentine, Franny Canada (2003). A NEW YORK premiere.

## **How Do You Type a Broken Heart**

Friday July 12, 6:45 pm Film Block

13 min 22 sec, Brooklyn

Director: Jeremiah Kipp. Producer(s): Natsha Straley (Straley Films) / Susannah Nolan (Alpha Mare Films). Writer: Susannah Nolan.

New mother Becky is awakened at close to midnight by Justine, an alcoholic bent on self-destruction. To reach Justine, Becky, must open her own padlocked past and finds herself drawn closer to the abyss than she ever expected. Filmed in Brooklyn. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **HUNTING RABBITS**

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 20 sec, United Kingdom

Director: Mary Waireri. Producer and Writer: Patricia Hetherington.

The conversation between an abusive farmer and his teenage daughter pushes one of them to the brink. A horror about manipulation. Filmed in United Kingdom. **Implied violence.** A NEW YORK premiere.

### Hush

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

12 min

Director and Writer: Joseph McGovern. Producer(s): Constance Reshey, Joseph Fuoco, Frank Formica, Joseph McGovern. Jeremy, in love with his best friend's wife, Suzanna, struggles unable to fulfill his desire. Filmed in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. **Strong sexual content and nudity.** A NEW YORK premiere.

## **Hysterical Women**

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

20 min 58 sec, Multiple Locations (Brooklyn, Manhattan)

Webisode/New Media project. Director(s): Whitney Uland & Nora Kaye. Producer(s): Changito Perrito Productions, Whitney Uland, Nora Kaye. Writer(s): Nora Kaye & Whitney Uland.

Hysterical Women is a dark comedy about gender in the workplace, in our current political and sociological climate. It follows Alexa- the overlooked co-founder of a music marketing firm- as she realizes that all her buddies in the office might not be such good guys. The women in this office are ready for a revolution. Will Alexa have the guts to do anything about it? Can she be the leader they need? Filmed in Manhattan and Brooklyn. **Profanity.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### I Am Still Here

Monday July 15, 1:00 pm Film Block

14 min 4 sec, Montana

A documentary, A woman directed film, A first time director film. Director and Producer: Cynthia Matty-Huber.

At 91 years old, without children to inherit the ranch, he is forced to ask himself the question: What will become of the land and his legacy? Filmed in Montana. MSU Bozeman. Bozeman, Montana. LIIFE Alumni: Where Home Has Always Been. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### **Icons**

Sunday July 14, 6:30 pm Film Block

5 min, Colorado

Director: Ronnie Cramer.

Five hundred years of world art in five minutes, featuring three dozen iconic works rendered with nylon-tip pen and animated old school style. Filmed in Colorado. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## I Waited For You

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

9 min, Multiple Locations (Queens, Brooklyn)

Director and Writer: Manny Serrano. Producer: Lindsay Serrano.

While trying to get some sleep, Ryan's friend Alex shows up and drags her out for the night. Soon realizing she may have lost her cell phone, Ryan calls it and an ominous voice answers. Filmed in Queens and Brooklyn. **Strong Language.** LIIFE Alumni: Beneath, 2018. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

# **IMPACT**

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

13 min

A three part series of documentary shorts on how a wish can transform not only the lives of critically ill children, but also their families, supporters and even entire communities.

Bas Goossens, Director A wish filled summer. Lieve Claessens, Producer A wish filled summer

## In My Eyes

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

20 min 14 sec, New Jersey

A first time director film. Director: Tim Doran. Producer(s): Tim Doran, Brian Williams. Writer: Brian Williams.

Mike has just finished high school. He has Cerebral Palsy, along with some anxiety issues. He is unsure if college is right for him. With his friends leaving for school, and frustration mounting at home, he finally decides to go to college. However, the anxiety and disability will test him. Fairleigh Dickinson University, New Jersey. A NEW YORK premiere.

## In the House of Paper Flowers

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

7 min 28 sec.

Animation, A woman directed film. Director and Writer: Anita George. Producer(s): Anita George, Evan Fellers. In a small house covered with papery flowers, a woman with white hair, two cats and a tiny wolf songstress learns a valuable lesson about the enduring power of love. Drama, women, grief, spirituality, healing. Filmed in Maine and California. **There is implied violence and complicated emotions which may confuse younger viewers.** LIIFE Alumni: 2005 "Field Trip", 2016 "The Gift of the Magpie" (winner/art direction). A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### InSex

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

13 min 28 sec.

Director: Devon Smith. Producer(s) and Writer(s): Devon Smith, Princess Bey.

Taya, a successful young woman with a history of failed relationships, finally finds "Mr. Right", and they prepare to build a life together. When she finds out a terrible secret about her lover, she's forced to make a choice which tests her morals, integrity, and most importantly, her heart. Filmed in Queens and Brooklyn. **Sexual Situations.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Interview with the Hitman

Sunday July 14, 6:00pm Film Block 90 min.

Director: Fred Carpenter. Producer(s): Fred Carpenter and Maryann Giannino. Screenplay Writer: James McTernan. Story by: James McTernan and Fred Carpenter. Casting by: Mariann Giannino.

Interview with the Hitman is the story of an aging HITMAN worried that he may not make it to heaven, did he kill or did he commit murder, is there a difference between killing and murder.

Some Profanity. Starring James McTernan, Kevin Brown, John Reidy, Mike Funk, Robert Hellmers, Paula Losquadro. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Into the Dark

Saturday July 13, 9:30 pm Film Block

13 min 50 sec, United States

Director and Writer: Benjamin Berger. Producer(s): Benjamin Berger, Michelle S. Jones.

Several weeks after the outbreak has taken hold and contaminated the natural water, Aaron and his daughter Abby are stranded in their home. Without a car and on their last rations of food and bottled water, Aaron believes that with a little hope, they will be saved. But as Abby's health declines, their time is

running out. Sci-fi, Horror, Drama. Filmed in the United States. **Gore and implied violence.** LIIFE Alumni: True Love - 2015. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

# The Invaders Angie's Logs

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

13 min 7 sec, New Jersey

Webisode/New Media project. Director and Writer: Mark Cabaroy. Producer(s): Mark Cabaroy, Marti Davis

The Invaders is a sci fi comedy web-series which chronicles the adventures of eight year old Angie Martinez and her babysitter Beth as they attempt repel an alien invasion of Earth from all powerful, unseen, other worldly beings. Filmed in New Jersey. LIIFE Alumni: Sexual Healing, nominated for best comedy short. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Isle of Capri: A Song of My Mother

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

8 min 48 sec, Pennsylvania

A documentary, A woman directed film. Director, Producer and Writer: Dawn Young.

Thanks to music and the songs of her mother's youth, the filmmaker is able to open the door to the far away remembrances of her mother's past who is touched by Alzheimer's disease and intimately share the last years of her life until their final moments together. Filmed in Pennsylvania. LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### It Lives in the Closet

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

11 min. Long Island Film

Benji, a fearful 10 year old boy, must face his fears when a monster, that's long haunted him, emerges one night out of his bedroom closet. Mike Suchmann Director *Ponozky (Socks), Reindeer Games, Plants, Mike Suchmann Writer Ponozky (Socks), Reindeer Games, Plants, Kathryn Ferentchak Producer Ponozky (Socks), Tyler Wladis Key Cast "Benji" Single Parents, Fox's Christmas Story Live, Amy Zubieta Key Cast "Mom" Travis Kirk Key Cast "The Tall Man"* 

## It Looked Like Snow

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

10 min 10 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film. Director: Ethan Alexis Scarduzio. Producer(s): Jared Biunno, Alexander Leiss. Writer: Alexander Leiss.

On a drive home for holiday break, a couple is involved in an accident and must seek shelter from a worsening storm. Filmed in East Meadow & Sidney, New York. LIIFE Alumni: Unmarked (2018 selection). A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### It's A Mess

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

29 min.

Director and Writer: Frank Prinzi. Producer(s): Owen Rosenblum, Nat Prinzi, Frank Prinzi. A chance encounter with a peculiar character (Vincent D'Onofrio), helps two 'Lost Sisters' survive the darkness of night. Filmed in Manhattan and Brooklyn. Starring Vincent D'Onofrio. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### It's Time for Tea

Friday July 12, 3:45 pm Film Block 9 min 42 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Matthew J. Kaplan. Producer(s): Karen Morris, Patrick Devaney, Katherine Chan, Matthew J. Kaplan.

After the death of their young daughter, all that remains in Rebecca and Allen's home is an extensive toy collection and profound grief. Both are attempting to process their loss: Rebecca chooses to repress her pain, while Allen regresses to their child's age in order to replace her. When an unconventional therapist visits with them, he assures Rebecca he can bring her husband back, but first, she must enter into Allen's land of make-believe. Dark Comedy, Fantasy. Filmed in Farmingdale. **Profanity**. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **JONES**

Saturday July 13, 9:30 pm Film Block

8 min 33 sec.

A woman directed film. Director: Stacey Maltin. Producer(s): Marzy Hart, Carrie Radigan, Stacey Maltin. Writer: Marzy Hart.

Aware that her drinking has become destructive, Jones takes a go at living the sober life. Not wanting to be someone else's problem, she pushes away help and comes face to face with herself and her lack of control. Drama. Filmed in Queens and Brooklyn. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Karen

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

21 min 15 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film. Director and Writer: Daniel Florio. Producer(s): Daniel Florio, Chris Sciacco, Kenny Dixon.

Karen is young woman struggling through life. On one Christmas Eve, she meets a man with no roots or past and an unlikely romance develops. This sets off a tense series of events the following night at her family's Christmas dinner. Drama. Filmed entirely in Bethpage, Long Island. **Violence, profanity and gore.** LIIFE Alumni: Wild Woman LIIFE in 2014 Winner Best Actress in a Short Film. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Kid, the Moon

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 48 sec.

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Justin Portaro. Producer(s): Joshua David, Justin Portaro.

After Alex, a young boy living with his alcoholic father, gets locked out believing no one to be home, he hears a noise coming from inside the house. Alex's father, Ron, comes storming out of the house and brings Alex to a liquor store. Drama. Filmed in Nassau County, Staten Island, LIU Post, and Farmingdale. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### Lara

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

10 min, Pennsylvania

Director and Writer: Gordon Shoemaker. Producer(s): Gordon Shoemaker, Powell Robinson, Patrick Robert Young, Naomi Warner.

A determined young woman keeps her beloved sister alive by imagining her still living on their Pennsylvania farm. Fantasy, Drama. Filmed in Pennsylvania. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The Last Fishing Trip

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

22 mins.

Director and Writer: Christopher Fox. Producer(s): Richard Malvey / Diane Bakos / Letter Greene.

An older woman's mortality is tested after she loses her brother to cancer. With nothing else to live for, she meets a young man who represents hope. Drama. Filmed in Manhattan and The Bronx. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The Last Sound

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

8 min 8 sec. Suffolk County

Webisode/New Media project. 1st time submission. Director: Gregg DaCosta. Producer(s) and Writer(s): Gregg DaCosta and Brinton Woodall.

"Cancer" hits the household, Jennifer and others must find out how to deal with such a difficult situation. Drama. Filmed in Lindenhurst. **Violence**. A WORLD premiere.

#### Less Heat in Arizona

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

24 min 24 sec, New Jersey

Director, Producer, and Writer: Tom Wardach.

A seasoned thief pulls together two mismatched men for a big payoff heist. Slade, is ruthless and dangerous; his unwilling partner, Lee, is a timid, desperate accountant. During the commission of the crime, their true intentions come to light with wildly unexpected results. Drama. Filmed in New Jersey. **Profanity and Violence**. A NASSAU COUNTY premiere.

#### Life EDU

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

20 min 45 sec.

A woman directed film. Director and Writer: Molly Gazay. Producer(s): Molly Gazay, Elizabeth Owens, Raymond Lopez. Charlotte, a young teacher, must raise the test scores of a class of misfit GED students to keep her job. Chaos ensues. Comedy. Filmed in Brooklyn and Manhattan. **Some profanity.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Lost Steps**

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

11 min, Sweden

Animation, A foreign film, A first time director film. Director: Per G Nilsson.

Lost steps is a film about a life lived, about time, love gone by, and about a man wandering in a park. He sets out to meet someone, though he isn't sure of whom. Drama. Filmed in Sweden. A NEW YORK premiere.

## **Love From Afar**

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

15 min. Queens

A documentary, A first time director film. Director: Cristian Sanay. Producer: Nina Thomas.

In a conversation with his American sister Irene, Cristian, originally from Ecuador, shares for the first time his story with her. The film gives us a close look to one of the most invisible and yet common situations in life, when Cristian confronts his past and his parents over their decision to immigrate to the US, while leaving him behind. These heart wrenching conversations unfold a story of separation, adaptation, repeated patterns and conciliation. It is a story of love from afar. Filmed in Queens. English Subtitles. LONG ISLAND premiere.

# Love Minecraft Style- Abigail VS Zombie

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

1 min. Suffolk County

A Long Island Film, An animation, A woman directed film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Abigail Loos.

Teenagers see things differently. This film shows Abigail meeting a boy for the first time and how scary it can be. Filmed in East Hampton, NY. LIIFE Alumni: High Intensity, 2018, Best Animation. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### LoveSick

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

13 min 22 sec, Suffolk County

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Peter Hadjipateras. Producer(s): Peter Hadjipateras, Giannis Michelopoulos.

A man and woman meet during a transition period of both of their lives. They feel a strong connection and indulge in the comfort of one another. Drama. Filmed at The New School Eugene Lang, New York. Shelter Island. A WORLD premiere.

#### Lover & A Giver

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm

3 min 24 sec

The music video follows the lives of two people: a busy wall street man who ignores the world around him and a generous bohemian woman who finds beauty in being kind and inspiring those around her. It's when they meet that we see a spark of change, as she teaches him what it means to be a lover and a giver and how to get a grasp on something real. **Sebastian Rivera** Director, **Jordan Siwek (Song)**, Writer, **Sebastian Rivera (Storyboard)** Writer, **Helen Laser**, Key Cast "Bohemian Girl", **Johnny Varina**, Key Cast "Wall Street Man" **Jordan Siwek**, Key Cast, "Singer/Pianist" **Jack Dorio** Key Cast, "Homeless Man", **Juliet Spagnola**, Key Cast, "Little Girl", **Jordan Siwek**, Producer, **Jill M Lynn**, Producer, **Dani Felt**, Producer

## The Loyalist

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

17 min 35 sec

Director, Producer, and Writer: Robert Sansivero. Long Island Film.

The Loyalist' is a period piece spy film set during the American Revolutionary War. It deals with loyalty, trust and betrayal over a backdrop of America's fight for independence. Drama / Suspense. **Mild violence.** A WORLD premiere.

### M1-K0

Saturday July 13, 1:00 pm Film Block

8 min, United Arab Emirates

A documentary, A foreign film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Fahad Shaikh.

A film about journey to find a deeper meaning of the unknown, "M1-K0" follows Mikolaj Zenliski, a Polish software engineer on his bicycle training in middle of the desert, who could be blasting off to the Red Planet after getting through to the next stage of the Mars One project. Filmed in United Arab Emirates. A NEW YORK premiere.

## MasterClass: Acting with Doors

Saturday July 13, 6:45 pm Film Block

3 min, New Jersey

Director(s): John Hedlund & Francesco Nuzzi. Producer(s): John Hedlund, Francesco Nuzzi, Heather Britain O'Scanlon. Writer(s): John Hedlund, Francesco Nuzzi, Heather Britain O'Scanlon.

Dorothy Belle has spent nearly 20 years working on stage and in film with every type of door imaginable. She has won over mainstream audiences, earned numerous Oscar, Emmy, and Tony nominations, along with a lifetime achievement award. Dorothy Belle's MasterClass on Acting With Doors is here.

Comedy. Filmed in New Jersey. Starring Local Celeb, Heather Britain O'Scalon. LIIFE Alumni: "Therapy, Bro", "4:44 AM". A NEW YORK premiere.

# Matryoshka

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

9 min 54 sec, Brooklyn

Director: Manny Serrano. Producer: Lindsay Serrano. Writer(s): Manen Lyset, Manny Serrano, Lindsay Serrano. At a Halloween Party a group of friends play a game with a supposedly haunted Matryoshka doll called "The Nesting Game", but the old poem may unleash something more deadly than expected. Horror, Haunted Object. Filmed in Brooklyn. **Violence/Gore.** LIIFE Alumni: "Beneath" 2018. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### MATURING YOUTH

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

25 min 43 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Divoni Simon. Producer: Chase Michael Pallante. An underachieving, unemployed middle-aged man enjoys his freedom of non-responsibility through his vices. However, his life is thrown into a whirlwind when his ex-girlfriend interrupts his life with a surprise: their illegitimate son. After their terrible fight, she disappears giving him the ultimatum to begrudgingly face fatherhood, or to continue living life void of responsibility. Drama. Filmed in Hempstead, NY. **Drug Use, Sexual Innuendos, and Profanity.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Mea Culpa

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

19 min 59 sec, United Kingdom

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Jason Fité. Producer: Barbara Toschi.

Awaking in a strange hotel, a powerful crime Lord finds himself bargaining with the Devil for the fate of his soul. Drama. Filmed in London, UK. **Violence.** Starring Sean Young. LIIFE Alumni: The Inquire - Paul Dewdney Best Actor. A NEW YORK premiere.

### **Melon Shorts**

Sunday July 14, 10:15 am Film Block

1 min 56 min, Animation

These animated snippets spring from the warped mind of Mike Shiell, creator of the Wandering Melon Cartoon. Five shorts in all their ironic glory. Which is your favorite??

## **Midnight Regulations**

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

37 min 45 sec, Germany

A foreign film. Director: Nils Keller. Producer(s): Angelina Auer, Nils Keller, Mary-Jo Trapa. Writer: Maximilian Richert.

At his law firm's New Year's Eve party, young lawyer Felix discovers evidence of a crime that turns his view of his employer and friends upside down. In the course of the night he has to decide whether to save his career or his conscience. Drama, Thriller. Filmed in Germany. University for Television and Film Munich, Bavaria / Germany. Sexual situation. English Subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Mirror Mirror a Tale of Blood

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

8 min 28 sec, Florida

Director and Writer: Rick Danford. Producer(s): Rick Danford, Diana Durango.

Two women try to re-enact a centuries old incantation to call forth an Urban Legend who they believe murdered their sister. Filmed in Florida. **Violence and mild profanity.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Miss Understood Monster**

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

14 min 55 secs.

A woman directed film. Director and Writer: Lindsay Serrano. Producer(s): Manny Serrano, Lindsay Serrano.

Life is hard enough without your "monthly monster." Laura struggles to endure a visit from her Menstruation Demon while juggling a career, dating, an active social life, and her monster junk food cravings. A comedic look at what a woman has to deal with during that special time of the month. Filmed in Manhattan, Queens and Brooklyn. LIIFE Alumni: Beneath, 2018. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### MOMMY MAFIA

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

23 min 42 sec, Brooklyn

Webisode/New Media project. Director: Jeremiah Kipp. Producer(s): Laura Sweeney, Teresa Bolz, Cynthia Barrera, Calvin Gladen. Writer: Laura Sweeney.

A mischievous mommy support group stumbles into a hilarious series of misadventures on the mean streets of yuppie Brooklyn, rubbing elbows with the actual mafia, and fighting a turf war with their nemesis Yoga Bitch. Filmed in Brooklyn. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Monarch Butterfly**

Wednesday July 17, 8:00 pm Film Block

16 min 38 sec, New Jersey

Director: Clyde Baldo. Producer(s): Deborah Kuhn; Line Producer - Shannon Hamm. Writer: Deborah Kuhn. What would you do and how far would you go to keep a loved one? Psychological Thriller. Filmed in New Jersey. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## My Amish World

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

1 hour 19 min 25 sec, Multiple Locations (Colorado, Indiana)

Director: Samuel Wickey. Producer(s): Samuel Wickey & Kasha Fauscett. Writer(s): Samuel Wickey, Troy Fauscett.

Produced and directed by Samuel Wickey, the Amish man upon whose life and family the script is based. Samuel and his siblings are raised by a mother who, despite her maternal instincts, cannot embrace or praise them, and cannot ever even say the words, "I love you." Praying for God's healing was their only allowable form of connection. Little was known about autism in the 1970s. Samuel's unusual behavior was considered to be a sign of possession. When his mother witnesses Samuel's savant-like artistic talent, she is gripped with fear. Both parents realize they must hide Samuel's sculptures since the Amish forbid any form of creative expression. After suffering years of indignities at the hands of the church and watching his children come home bruised simply because they are Amish, Samuel's father makes the only choice he can: to break the chains of fear and oppression, to allow feelings of hope and the expression of love to flow in his family and to leave the Amish.

Drama. Filmed in Colorado and Indiana. English subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

# My Body Is Not A Weapon

Saturday July, 13 1:00 pm Film Block

38 min, Bukavu, Democratic Republic of the Congo. Documentary.

A young woman powerfully declares that her body is not a weapon. Another vows to bring joy to all she meets. An intergenerational collection of singers dance in the courtyard of a holistic healing center.

Female police recruits march at attention in Bukavu. All of them, along with a team of surgeons lead by a selfless and inspiring doctor - Denis Mukwege, a Nobel Peace Prize Laureate (Democratic Republic of Congo)- stand at the intersection of a wartime rape epidemic, survivors, and world leaders seeking a freer, more just path to peace. Platon-Director, Writer and Producer, Elizabeth Blackney, Minky Worden, Elle Sullivan Wilson, Susannah Sirkin, & Dr. Denis Mukwege

Key Cast Sandra Bavura, Darcy Ataman, Esther Furaha & Neema Rukungh

## My Dinner With Schwartzey

Sunday July 14, 6:30 pm Film Block

14 min 52 secs.

A woman directed film. Director: Melissa Skirboll. Producer(s): Thomas Campbell Jackson, Penny Jackson, Melissa Skirboll. Writer(s): Penny Jackson, Melissa Skirboll.

When a starry-eyed 16 year-old is introduced to the downtown NYC rock scene by a powerful music producer with a penchant for teens, she is tempted by the glitzy lifestyle until a mystery woman provides a glimpse into her possible future. Filmed in Manhattan and Brooklyn. **Mild violence, some profanity, sexual situations.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **My Favorite Stone**

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

9 min 56 sec, New York

Director, Producer, and Writer: John Wager.

Maggie (20), addicted to heroin after a sports injury, finds herself alone and without hope. And just when it seems all is lost she encounters someone from her past who brings everything back into a focus that puts Maggie on a course of revival and renewed determination. Filmed in New York. A NEW YORK premiere.

## My Son Thomas

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 15 sec

Kevin Malcom is a middle-aged American doctor who has moved to Italy to study a new medicine that can cure a serious fatal disease of which his son Thomas died years before. Kevin experiences a synthesis of the new drug through the use of different substances, but something goes wrong, and he falls to the ground and faints. During the period when he is unconscious he journeys through clues and memories in search of the solution for the synthesis of the new drug. The day after the Kevin finally has the final formula for medicine and will promise his son that, thanks to this new drug, no one will have to suffer anymore as he has suffered. Alberto Santandrea Director Albert MichevAndrea Toy Bonvicini, Cinematographer & Art Director, Salvatore Santandrea Producer, Mario Diodati, Actor, Salvatore Santandrea, Writer Albert Michev

## Nana's Room

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

11 min 23 sec, Brooklyn

A woman directed film. Director: Kaye Tuckerman. Producer(s): Mitch Roberson, Willie Johnson. Writer: Mitch Roberson.

When Mia loses her Nana (grandmother) after a lengthy illness she realizes that her loss runs deep. In caring for her Nana Mia has lost her confidence and drive – she has let fear take over. In the wake of Nana's darkness Mia fights to find a bright light to walk in her purpose. Drama. Filmed in Brooklyn. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Never-Ending Stream Of Consciousness, A

Sunday July 14, 10:15 am Film Block

19 min 32 sec.

A Long Island Film, An animation. Director and Writer: Jake Mangan.

Ollie is a college student attempting to complete his daily tasks as he is shadowed by two figures from his subconscious, Buck and Luke, who berate him on how he should be. When he goes to help his friends, Bill, Justin, and Dan, on their film set, his dissociation from his world dives him into a psychedelic experience. From a 50's American home in a simulated world, to an apocalyptic wasteland reminiscent of how he views his "friends", Ollie must find peace within himself. Student Film, LIU Post, on Campus in Brookville, the Muttontown Preserve, Amityville and Massapequa. **Profanity and fighting.** A NEW YORK premiere.

#### **New Patient**

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

6 min 51 sec. Queens

Director, Producer, and Writer: Jayne Nicoletti. Filmed in Queens. A WORLD premiere.

#### NOT AS TOUGH AS YOU THINK

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

18 min 15 sec, Brooklyn

Director: Ade Richardson. Producer(s): Ian Wilson, Ade Richardson. Writer: Ian Wilson.

Four teens attempt to crash a child's birthday party. After an altercation, they are thrown off the premises by the girl's dad. Under pressure of one of the characters, three of them return to the party and fatally shoots the father. Drama. Filmed in Brooklyn. **Violence occurs off screen.** A WORLD premiere.

#### Number 25

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

5 min, New Jersey

Director, Producer, and Writer: Larry Rosen.

Widow-Maker and Mr. Blank are an assassin couple. As they celebrate Widow-Maker's 25th kill, they reminisce how far she has come, Mr. Blank expresses concern she may have gone too far. Filmed in New Jersey. **Some violence.** LIIFE Alumni: The Other Side of Love (2016), Second Escape (2017). A NEW YORK premiere.

## **One More Round**

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

14 min 17 sec, Kuwait

In a world beyond what you imagine..

there are people who practice martial arts illegally..For fame..

For fortune and glory.. even at the cost of himself and those he cares about

dir. Abdullah Alhashash Director, Writer and Producer Mohammad Aljalad key cast "dealer"

# Parking Spot, The

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

9 min 42 sec. Brooklyn

Director and Writer: Mario Corry. Producer(s):Michael De Luca, Mario Corry, Ellyn Marshall, Maria E.

Nelson, Jake King.

Peter thinks he's finally found a parking spot – unfortunately for him, it belongs to a local mobster. Will the two parties be able to find common ground in time for lasagna dinner? Comedy. Filmed in Brooklyn. **Profanity**. Starring Cathy Curtin. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### Pass The Buck

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

5 min, Manhattan

Director. Producer. and Writer: David Chai.

When a senior banker goes missing, his protégé finds him only to discover he's been set up as the scapegoat for the senior banker's crimes. Drama. Filmed in Manhattan. LIIFE Alumni: SIJI:DRIVER 2018, Best Feature, Best Music. A UNITED STATES premiere.

#### Passage of Time

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

4 min 11 sec. Massachusetts

Director, Producer, and Writer: David Wharton.

A middle-aged man, distraught over the death of his wife in a hit and run car accident, journeys to an island to find peace. Drama. Filmed in Massachusetts. A NEW YORK premiere.

### People Like You

Friday July 12, 3:45 pm Film Block

17 min 28 sec, California

Director: Blake Winston Rice. Producer: Megan Mayes. Writer: Josh Mayes.

In this thrilling tribute to the iconic melodramas of Old Hollywood, Ford and Julia are drawn into the cover-up of a Beverly Hills murder, each afraid to incriminate themselves and uncertain of the other's innocence. Drama. Filmed in California. **Mild gore, profanity, adult situations.** A NASSAU COUNTY premiere.

## The Pet Peeve Police, Sh\*t's About To Go Down

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

18 min 4 sec, Los Angeles

Webisode/New Media project. Director: PJ Germain. Producer(s): Sarah Delpizzo, Melissa Graver, PJ Germain. Writer(s): Melissa Graver and Sarah Delpizzo.

When two women are fed up with the inconsiderate people of this world, they decide to take matters into their own hands and become vigilantes in the process. It started out like any other typical Tuesday- the coffee was boiling, teeth were being brushed and our two unsuspecting heroes, Gerty and Conse were getting ready for their mundane day jobs. Shortly after saying goodbye to one another both woman found themselves bombarded by extremely annoying situations with ridiculously rude people. They decided enough was enough, and something had to be done! The two devised a fool-proof plan; they would take matters into their own hands and rid the city of inconsiderate people. Comedy.. Filmed in Los Angeles. Some profanity. LIIFE Alumni: Ghostlight, directed by PJ Germain- 2014, The Lake Passage, directed by PJ Germain- 2009, 1400hrs, directed by PJ Germain- 2006. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Piccolo Vento

Sunday July 14, 10:15 am Film Block

7 min 21 sec.

A Long Island Film. Director and Writer: Patrick Hopkins. Producer(s): Ashley ladanza, Jon Bewley, Patrick Hopkins.

Tracy has lived with her sick grandmother, Lisette, since her mother died during her infancy. When Tracy's curiosity and unusual talent threaten to take Tracy away from Lisette, both are forced to face truths about themselves and the past that threaten to destroy their relationship. Mystical Drama, Women. Filmed at Hofstra University, New York, Wading River, Hampton Beaches and Jones Beach. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### **Podcast Problems**

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm Film Block

4 min 3 sec. Suffolk County

A Long Island Film. Director and Writer: Timothy Rooney. Producer(s): Dakota Wiegand, Nicholas Cocks, Stephanie Rooney Pollet, Fredrick Pollert.

A man wants to have a podcasting career, but has to give up his malfunctioning microphone. Therefore he decides to get rid of the device. However, the microphone has other plans. Comedy, Thriller. Filmed in Stony Brook and Nesconset. A NASSAU COUNTY premiere.

## The Premonition

Sunday July 14, 6:30 pm Film Block

5 min, California

Director and Writer: James Ersted. Producer(s): James Ersted, Dana Nelson.

It is Halloween night and the kiddies are out trick-or-treating when an unexpected guest comes a-knocking. Filmed in California. **Violence.** Starring Betsy Baker from the original "Evil Dead" and Evan Alex from Jordan Peele's hit movie "Us". Horror. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Preparation

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

8 min 30 sec, New Jersey

Director and Producer: Mark Clauburg. Writer(s): Scott Sadek, David Probert.

A young woman watches TV alone in the dark while a mysterious man lurks outside the house. Filmed in New Jersey. **Some Gore.** LIIFE Alumni: Before the Snow (2016 Best Feature nominee) and

The Last Visit (2018 official selection). A NEW YORK premiere.

# **Primal Therapy**

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

11 min 48 sec, Manhattan

Director: Cyrus Baetz. Producer(s): Cyrus Baetz, Ryan Herzich, Gene Romano. Writer: Gene Romano. When a young writer has his heart broken and can't seem to get back on track, his best friend thinks he knows just what's needed. He may say all the wrong things, but he might have one great idea.

Drama. Filmed in Manhattan. **Some profanity.** A WORLD premiere.

#### Ranapakhara

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

10 min, United Arab Emirates

A documentary, A woman directed film, A foreign film. Director and Writer: Swapna Kurup. Producer(s): Swapna Kurup, Fahad Shaikh.

In a community center in Dubai, Indian classical dancer Vonita Singh applies her art form to bring back movement in the lives of people affected by Parkinson's Disease. Filmed in United Arab Emirates. English Subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Receding

Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

14 min 13 sec, Multiple Locations (Manhattan, Queens, Brooklyn)

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Dario Caudana. Producer: Nick Tyson.

A balding actor who is down on his luck takes his life back to score a dream role on a hit cop TV show. Dark Comedy. Filmed in Manhattan, Queens and Brooklyn. **Language.** A NEW YORK premiere.

#### Replacement, The

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

10 min, United Arab Emirates

A foreign film. Director, Producer, and Writer: Nabil Chowdhary.

A terminally ill man decides to replace himself with an identical cyborg to seamlessly take over his life. But as time draws nearer to completing the transition, he begins to question as to whether what he is doing is right or fair to his unsuspecting wife. Filmed United Arab Emirates. English Subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere.

## The Rest Of My Life

Friday July 12, 6:45 pm Film Block

21 min 37 sec, Suffolk County

Director, Producer, and Writer: William LiPera.

Two terminal patients fall in love and regain their faith. Drama. Filmed in Suffolk County at The David Weld Sanctuary, NY and the Cancer & Blood Center.. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Reservations For Two**

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

12 min 25 sec, Russellville, Arkansas

A fastidious young woman gets stood up on Valentine's Day at the nicest restaurant in town, and in order to keep her reservation, she invites the only single person around, the homeless man from out on the street. Harrison Trigg, Director & Writer Tyler Walters, Writer, Adam Richmond

Producer, Donna Dahlem Key Cast "Elaine", Barry Clifton Key Cast "Barry", Jason S. Morgan Key Cast "Alastair (Host)"

#### Retreat: Resistance

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

10 min 47 sec, Suffolk County

Webisode/New Media project. Director: Anthony Robert Grasso. Producer: Amie Sponza. Writer(s): Diane Harrington, Polly Kreisman, Amie Sponza & Ivy Tobin.

As women gather at a retreat to meditate, we get a glimpse into what they are resisting in their lives. Drama. Filmed in Southold.. LIIFE Alumni: The Cartographer, 2017, Best Actor, Best Actress, Best Original Song. A WORLD premiere.

#### Reverie

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 11 sec, Nassau County

Director(s) and Writer(s): David and Francisco Salazar. Producer(s): Janice Villarosa, Donna McKenna, David Salazar, Francisco Salazar.

A Father struggles with the reality of his son's illness. Drama. Filmed in East Meadow. Starring Derek Roche. LIFE Alumni: Conciliation-2012 Adrift-2016, Bullied-2018. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### Rubber Room

Saturday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

19 min 44 sec, Manhattan

Webisode/New Media project. Director: Dugan Bridges. Producer(s): Achilles Katsanakis, Jesse Weeden. Writer(s): Achilles Katsanakis and Dugan Bridges.

The Breakfast Club for Teachers. An uptight highly-educated school Principal is sentenced to a detention center for misfit teachers where his fate will be decided by good behavior. Dark comedy. Filmed in Manhattan. **Some profanity.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## Ruckzuck

Sunday July 14, 10:00 am Film Block

7 min 44 sec.

A documentary, A woman directed film. Director and Producer: Jacqueline Xerri.

Ruckzuck brings the "psychedelic freak out" to a new generation. Discover the story behind the band as they follow the cosmic quest of love, happiness and strange sounds. LGBTQIA, Music. Filmed in Brooklyn, Nassau County, Oceanside, NY, Pennsylvania and Florida. Florida State University College of Motion Picture Arts, Florida. LIIFE Alumni: Tylercam, Nominated for Best Student Film. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### Safe Spaces

Wednesday July 17, 8:00 pm Film Block

93 min.

Director and Writer: Daniel Schechter. Producer(s): Courtenay Johnson, Lawrence Greenberg, Jordan Kessler.

A NYC professor spends a week re-connecting with his family while defending his reputation over controversial behavior at his college. Drama, Comedy. Filmed in Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Nassau County. Port Washington. Starring Justin Long, Fran Drescher, Richard Schiff, Lynn Cole, Kate Berlant, Becky Ann Baker. **Cursing and conversations involving some sexually graphic language, mild drug use.** A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **Scratch This**

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

5 min, Croton on Hudson

A woman directed film, Webisode/New Media project. Director and Writer: Jody Lauren Miller.

Producer(s): Laura Dowling Shea Jessica Alexandra Green.

Three self centered sisters whose inability to overcome their sibling rivalry results in riotous physical comedy. Filmed in Croton on Hudson, New York. **Some profanity**. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## The Secret To Good Living

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 44 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film. Director and Writer: John Reardon. Producer(s): Epiphany James, John Reardon. When his best friend decides cutting his penis off will solve his problems, emotionally immature Vinnie throws a makeshift group therapy session, ultimately revealing which friend needs transformation most. Comedy. Filmed in North Bellmore, **Nudity**. A WORLD premiere.

## **Sequins**

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

17 min 45 sec, United Kingdom

A foreign film. Director: Michael Beddoes. Producer(s): Michael Beddoes, Amy Clarke. Writer: Amy Clarke

Paul Bigsby (17) wakes up early every morning to practice his (somewhat haphazard) drag act. A chance encounter with jaded Blackpool queen Mimi Le Purr, set's him a collision course with his parents, bullies and the school talent show. LGBTQIA. Filmed in United Kingdom. Blackpool & Lytham-St-Annes, Lancashire, UK. Starring James Dreyfus, Ben Willbond. A NEW YORK premiere.

## Shaholly

Wednesday July 17, 8:00 pm Film Block

3 min 25 sec, Houston Texas

Documentary. Shaholly Ayers, a congenital amputee, was once told that she could never become a model. This emotional film talks about her struggles, and eventual big break that allowed her to live her dream, and change the way people perceive disability. With her unbridled spirit and tenacious attitude, there is no telling what amazing things she may accomplish. Wojciech Lorenc Director Shaholly Ayers Writer Meg O'Connell Executive Producer

## **SOMBRA CITY**

Wednesday July 17, 8:00 pm Film Block

10 min, Cuba

Director, Producer and Writer: Elias Plagianos.

A sumptuously filmed sci-fi Sombra City takes an assassin's tale and gives it a romantic twist. Set in the future, Josh Burrow plays a hired killer who finds himself caught between the woman (Mariela Garriga) he once loved and her husband . (From U.K. Film Review). Drama Filmed in Havana, Cuba. English Subtitles. Starring Josh Burrow ( 4 Seasons of Ashtons Kutcher's Netflix Show "The Ranch" ) , Mariela Garriga ( Stars in Blumhouse Feature film with Sean William Scott - out this Fall). LIIFE Alumni: The Crimson Mask ( Best Feature) , Man From The City ( Best Director) , Shoot Me Nicely ( Best Pilot / Webisode / New Media). A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### **SOMEDAY**

Saturday July 13, 3:45 pm Film Block

6 min, Atlanta

A music video. Director and Writer: Wes Clark.

Debut Music video from indie artist Stephanie Alexandria. Music Video. Filmed in Atlanta. LIIFE Alumni: Audience Choice award - The Trade Off 2006 Best Webisode Playing Dirty 2018. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

# Sometimes, We Never Really Change

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

7 min 42 sec, Nassau County

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Christian Pinglo. Producer(s): Christian Pinglo, Nito Arias. After a long time away, a former drug addict and abusive partner returns home. Drama. Filmed in Glen Cove. A WORLD premiere.

## **Spice Frontier**

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

8 min 9 sec

Animation, A first time director film. Director(s): Jalil Sadool and Adam Meyer. Producer: Keith Lackey. Writer: Jalil Sadool.

Centuries after the destruction of Earth, Kent and his cyborg companion, C-LA, embark on a flavor-driven adventure across the dangerous intergalactic trade route known as the 'Spice Road.' Sci-fi, Comedy. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

# Stories of Strength and Hope: Preventing Youth Suicide

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

12 min.

A Documentary. Director and Producer: Max Hechtman.

An up-to-date look at Youth Suicide with an examination of the warning signs, statistics and causes, along with possible ways teachers and parents can use to help their child overcome this important social issue. Also includes a look at the media and its handling of the social issue through the Netflix series "13 Reasons Why" and the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical, "Dear Evan Hansen." Filmed in Manhattan, Woodbury, Stony Brook and East Meadow. LIIFE Alumni: "I Am Here" 2017 and

Filmed in Manhattan, Woodbury, Stony Brook and East Meadow. LIIFE Alumni: "I Am Here" 2017 and "FIT Hives: Sustainability - The Secret to Survival" 2017. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

### Student Film: The Movie

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

2 min 56 sec, California

Director. Producer and Writer: Chris Armienti.

It is the greatest film that Sundance will ever see. It is the culmination of spending hundreds of thousands of dollars at a prestigious film school and being so deep in debt that my great grandchildren aren't even

going to be able to pay it off. It is... student film: the movie. Comedy. Filmed at the University of Southern California. LIIFE Alumni: Remembered, 2016. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### **SWEETHEART**

Friday July 12, 3:45 pm Film Block

17 min 12 sec, France

A foreign film. Director, Producer and Writer: Jérémie Seguin.

A teenager finds out about the emotional gap that séparates him from his mother, who has never showed any sign of affection towards him. Closer to his father, he will realize that his parents are not quite those he has imagined. Drama. Filmed in Paris, France. English Subtitles. **Sexual Situations.** Starring Anthony Bajon (Silver Bear for Best Actor at Berlinale 2018). A LONG ISLAND premiere.

# **Teen Night**

Saturday July 13, 9:30 pm Film Block

7 min 40 sec, Florida

A woman directed film. Director and Writer: Jacqueline Xerri. Producer: Sabrina Attar Impressionable 13-year-old Kara attempts to hold on to the fleeting attention of a reckless older boy, but this will come at a price for her and her innocence. Drama. Filmed in Florida. Florida State University College of Motion Picture Arts, Florida. **Sexual situations, Language.** LIIFE Alumni: Tylercam - Nominated for Best Student Film. A NEW YORK premiere.

## **Terrolun and Lunlun**

Tuesday July 16, 3:45 pm Film Block

49 min 10 sec, Japan

A foreign film. Director: Hiroyuki Miyagawa. Producer(s): Yuki Okuno, Tohru Mishima. Writer: Tomoko Kawanoue.

After a tragic accident, Terrolun becomes a shut-in, living in his parent's garage, where he fixes mechanical items. When Lunlun, a hearing-impaired high school student brings him something to repair, they strike up a friendship. These two outcasts strengthen their relationship through a garage window. Drama. Filmed in Japan. English subtitles. **Mild violence**. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Theatre of Terror**

Friday July 12, 9:30 pm Film Block

90 mins., New Jersey

Director and Writer: Thomas Ryan. Producer(s): Todd Staruch, Russell Hackett, Diane Hackett. Horror/Fantasy. Filmed in New Jersey. **Violence, sexual situations, profanity, and gore.** A NEW YORK premiere.

# They Stole a House

Saturday July 13, 1:00 pm Film Block

60 mins. Documentary

Director and Writer: Michael J. Arbouet. Producer(s): Anthony Richards, LJ Strong and Alan Spindel. The Zombie House epidemic and squatter crisis in New York comes to light in this film. Outdated and lenient squatter's rights laws in combination with the tenuous banking practices lead to the situation. In four parts, the film explores how thousands of homes suddenly became vacant turning into zombie houses. Filmed in Hempstead, Garden City, Amityville, Melville, Laurelton and Lynbrook. LIIFE Alumni: New York Minute- Best Short, How to Grow a Fig Tree- Best Director. A WORLD premiere.

# Three Kings

Sunday July 14, 3:45 pm Film Block

22 min, New Jersey

Director, Producer and Writer: David Bellantoni.

A dysfunctional family struggling to cope with the news that one of their own is rapidly disintegrating from Dementia depicting the human side of an imperfect family as they go through denial, resistance, disbelief, anger, laughter and finally acceptance of her fate. All of this is wrapped within an Italian American Christmas Eve with the Feast of the Seven Fishes. Drama. Filmed in New Jersey. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### Time On The Bridge

Tuesday July 16, 7:30 pm

12 min 35 sec.

Director and Writer: Artak Parsian. Producer: Jules East A life in a coma. Fantasy Drama. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

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Monday July 15, 7:30 pm Film Block

23 min, Canada

A first time director film. Director and Writer: Kerry van der Griend. Producer: Robert Carlyle, Tilt 9 Entertainment. Teenage Kit sells marijuana to get enough cash for a special gift for his Mom's birthday. His Dad's a cop. Drama. Filmed in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Starring Tim DeKay. A UNITED STATES premiere.

## **Tomislav's Diary**

Saturday July 13, 10:00 am Film Block

15 min 54 sec, California

A foreign film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Eddie Liu. Producer: Peggy Chiao. Tomislav, a Croatian chef, is captured and forced to cook for the Serbian Army. The chef finds solace in his diary, even as he watches the destruction of his people. But can he survive his imprisonment when a case of food poisoning causes the Serbian Army to suspect him of tempering with their food? Drama. Filmed in California and post production in Taiwan. New York Film Academy, Los Angeles California. Starring Peggy Chiao. English Subtitles. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## **Too Much Noise**

Monday July 15, 1:00 pm Film Block

14 min.

A Long Island Film, A first time director film. Director and Writer: Michael J. Flood. Producer(s): Shawna Brandle, Michael J. Flood, Kenneth R. Frank.

A film in American Sign Language. A young couple moves to a new city but struggles to find their place in the crowd. Drama. Filmed in Manhattan, Queens, Rockville Centre and Hempstead Lake State Park. English subtitles. A NASSAU COUNTY premiere.

# **TOUCH ME (Was bleibt)**

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

21 min. Germany

A woman directed film, A foreign film. Director: Eileen Byrne. Producer(s): Matthias Nerlich, Adrien Chef, Paul Thiltges. Writer(s): Eileen Byrne and Elodie Malanda.

Alice has a fight on her hands. Against her breast cancer which makes her feel so helpless as she sees her body changing. Drama. Filmed in Munich, Germany. HFF Munich, Germany. English Subtitles. **Nudity.** A NEW YORK premiere.

#### The Translator

Monday July 15, 1:00 pm Film Block

10 min. California

Director: Christian Hurley. Producer: Misha Maguire. Writer: Franchesca Fangary.

A foreign language translator gets more than she bargained for when she bends the conversation of two famous actors in her favor. Filmed in California. Chapman University, California. English Subtitles. A NEW YORK premiere

#### Troll

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

9 min 5 sec, Park Ridge, NJ.

Director and Writer: Francesco Nuzzi. Producer(s): Francesco Nuzzi, John Hedlund. A mother confronts the internet troll she feels is responsible for her child's death. Drama.

**Profanity, Gore.** LIIFE Alumni. A NEW YORK premiere.

#### Two Balloons

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

9 min, Oregon

An animation. Director, Producer, and Writer: Mark Smith.

Two adventurous lemurs navigate their dirigibles halfway around the world to a place where happenstance and fate threaten to disrupt their reunion. Fantasy. Filmed in Oregon. A NASSAU COUNTY premiere.

#### Vice

Monday July 15, 3:45 pm Film Block

9 min 30 sec, Suffolk County

A Long Island Film. Director: Michael Mercadante. Producer(s): Charlie DesJardin and Michael Mercadante. Writer(s): Charlie DesJardin and Michael Mercadante.

A powerful regret has taken control of Jason's life. He moves into isolation, desperate to distract himself from memories of the past. Some time away from worried family members and friends might do him some good. With nowhere to run Jason faces his inner turmoil, but an all-consuming force lurks in the shadows looking for revenge. Jason's regrets soon become a nightmarish reality. Filmed at Five Towns College and Lindenhurst Funeral Home. **Violence, language and gore.** LIIFE Alumni: Handle With Care in the 2018 LIIFE. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

## VR CR3W

Sunday July 14, 1:00 pm Film Block

7 min.

Director: Pavel Suslov. Producer: Ksenia lakubova. Writer(s): Pavel Suslov, Grigory Borodavkin. There is nothing more pleasant for a mom than a family dinner together. Sadly her feelings are not always synchronized with the rest of the family. Her husband and son believe that dinner can be postponed, while the real-time VR game can't. After several failed negotiations Mom still will not give up because she is master not only of the kitchen but also a very strong PLAYER. Comedy. A NEW YORK premiere.

# **WAKING VENUS**

Sunday July 14, 9:15 pm Film Block

18 min 10 sec, Manhattan

Director and Writer: James Brown-Orleans. Producer(s): James Brown-Orleans and Cara Shaffer. A newly recovering anorexic must learn the power of forgiveness if she's to break free once and for all of her eating disorder. Drama LGBTQIA. Filmed in Manhattan. **VIOLENCE/PROFANITY/BLOOD**. A NEW YORK premiere.

### Where Theo Lives

Sunday July 14, 3:45 pm Film Block

75 min, Pennsylvania

Director and Writer: Dariun Robinson. Producer(s): Dariun Robinson, Khai Boa, Matt Somerville.

Sisters Elliott and Kara return to their hometown to arrange the burial of their sexually abusive Uncle. Unfortunately, some memories (and people) die easier than others. Drama. Filmed in East Stroudsburg, PA. **Profanity, Some violence.** LIIFE Alumni: "Solo Soy un Super, Mano" LIIFE in 2015. A NEW YORK premiere.

### Who I Am

Tuesday July 16, 1:00 pm Film Block

4 min 4 sec.

A woman directed film, Music Video. Director, Producer and Writer: Dawn Young.

A song tribute to her mother and grandmother both of whom passed as a result of Alzheimer's Disease. Filmed in Suffern, New York and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### WINK

Wednesday July 17, 8:00 pm Film Block

9 min 3 sec, Manhattan

Director: John Gallagher. Producer(s): Jenilyn Rodriguez, Meredith Ross. Writer: Meredith Ross. The morning after a wild party, a hungover couple, Tori and Michael, discover something odd in the middle of their living room. Tori's sister, mother and neighbor all come to take a look. As details about the night are revealed, the couple's future changes forever. A love story to "remember." Comedy. Filmed in Manhattan. LIIFE Alumni: The Insurgents 2006 Winner Best Feature; Tanzania: A Journey Within 2011 Winner Best Documentary. A LONG ISLAND premiere.

#### YuuKai- Anna

Friday July 12, 1:00 pm Film Block

27 min 4 sec, Tokyo, Japan. Animation

196X. Anna, an enigmatic and attractive professional kidnapper, abducts The Professor during his wedding ceremony on request from one of the latter's former girlfriend. This woman, whose face Anna has never seen, wishes to die with The Professor before he marries. Leaving the church with The Professor on the back seat of her motor-bike, Anna starts on the journey to the fictional city of "Alpha Paris". "Anna" is a tribute and homage to old movies of the 60's, a ideally highly effective sophisticated cartoon with trendy visual effects. Kaichi Sato Director, Writer & Producer

Hana Takeda Key Cast "Anna" Voice Toshiyuki Morikawa Key Cast "Professor" Voice

#### Zoul

Wednesday July 17, 5:00 pm Film Block

12 mins. New York

A Long Island Film. Director and Writer: Tom Cassese. Producer(s): Tom Cassese, Jon Bewley, Joseph Rocco Plescia, Kyra Angione.

In search of a good soul to consume, a sharp-dressed immortal demon decides to kill his assistant's niece. Horror Comedy. Filmed in Nassau County and Brooklyn. **Very mild violence and gore.** LIIFE Alumni: Concurrence, 2017, Nominated for Best Student Film. A LONG ISLAND premiere.