

# Renovation Film Festival Schedule

Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> Room D6 - Reno-Sparks Convention Center

8:00 - 10:00pm

8:00pm

Radio Free Albemuth - Phillip K Dick Feature Film

Director: John Alan Simon

The story takes place in an alternate reality of the USA, where a Nixon-like President (Scott Wilson) burned the Watergate tapes and three terms later is still in office. One man tries to take down the corrupt government system with a little help from his friends and VALIS (Vast Artificial Living Intelligence System). Who/or what is Valis--his unconscious, alien force, God.... It's a story of hope and perseverance, even in the face of overwhelming odds.

# 10:00pm - Midnight Best of the TCIF3 Film Festival

10:00 pm

The Kinematograph (Poland)

Director: Tomek Bagiński, Agnieszka Piechnik

Running Time: 12:10 minutes

Francis is an inventor. His invention is supposed to change the world. He forgot about one thing: dreams always cost too much. He is focused only on himself and his work and realizes the gravity of the situation only when it is too late.

10:12 pm

Cost of Living (Canada)
Director: Jonathan Joffe
Running Time: 10:40 minutes

What would you pay to live forever?

That is the question posed by Cost Of Living, a short film starring William B. Davis (Cigarette Smoking Man, The X-Files). Set in the near future, when a man dying of cancer attempts to purchase a new body he is forced to decide just how much he is willing to pay for immortality. An engaging script, powerful performances, and stylish effects make this short film a must see for everyone.

10:22 pm

**Ascension (**Australia) Director: Vickie Gest

Running Time: 13:45 minutes

Searching for the cause of a blackout late one night, exhausted trainspotter Tim mistakenly enters a neighbor's apartment, blundering into a group of cultists desperate to escape earth and ascend to the Thribelian solar system... unfortunately for Tim, they need a sacrifice!

10:35 pm

Man vs. Woman (USA)

Director: Juan Carlos Vargas Running Time: 14:00 minutes

A science-fiction action film about an explosive duel between four desperate scavengers -- a man, a woman, a cloned velociraptor and a heavily armed robot -- fighting for survival on a desolate dry planet.

10:49 pm

**Un-Gone (**England)
Director: Simon Bovey

Running Time: 8:00 minutes

"It is upon the flaws of man, not the laws of nature that the thread of our existence hangs."

Matter transporters are a reality, and the Trans-Trip Corporation, controllers of this technology, provide the gateway to a new life for Julian Salinger and his wife Maya.

But this apparent golden age of travel without boundaries has its shadow side. And when the system malfunctions, Salinger discovers a less palatable future behind the corporate facade. Getting there is only half the problem.

10:57 pm

Ray Harryhausen Presents: The Pit and the Pendulum (Canada)

Director: Marc Lougee

Running Time: 7:10 minutes

This newly-created adaptation of the classic Edgar Allan Poe story embraces the same retro technology used on Tim Burton's "Corpse Bride": good, old-fashioned, stopmotion puppets. The result is a gorgeous-looking, spooky short film, presented by special effects maestro Ray Harryhausen.

11:04pm

**Bus Pirates** (Episodes 1-5) USA Director: Ben & Tyler Soper Running Time: 25:00 minutes

"Bus Pirates" was created by James Plaxton, Dave Lindsay, Ben Soper, and Tyler Soper as a follow-up to their short-lived series "Bakersfield Ninjas". Engaging cinema at its most allegorical and pretentious level, the creators sought to construct a metaphor illustrating the plight of the Los Angeles public transit system. After shooting down titles like "Inappropriate Stigmata" and "6 AM Strippers," it was decided that, indeed, pirates (as opposed to Jesus or strippers) best contained the symbolic discourse on the post-hegemonic ideological state apparatus that is the transit system.\* For what is el ciné, if not a living, breathing creature that will maul you if you get between it and its young? Eh? Chew on that.

#### 11:30pm

Charlie Thistle (USA)
Director: Bragi Schut Jr.
Running Time: 15:00 minutes

Charlie Thistle dreams of a better world. He dreams of a world in color, where animals speak and trees grow indoor. Unfortunately, Charlie works for the Department of Normality, where change isn't tolerated. But there comes a time in every man's life when he has to stand up for what he believes in, and Charlie's day is coming!

The Familiar (USA)

Director: Kody Zimmermann Running time: 22:00 minutes

Sam Matheson has always been obsessed with vampires and drawn into their dark stories. On his 21st birthday, he not only discovers they exist but is recruited as a Familiar, a personal caretaker and assistant. It's only too late that Sam realizes his bloodsucking employer is unstable and humiliating -- a controlling monster that literally is the boss from Hell.

Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> Room D6 - Reno-Sparks Convention Center

> 10:00am - Noon Animation-1

10:00am

**The Delivery** (Germany) Director: Till Nowak

Running Time: 15:00 minutes

In a grey, industrial and uninhabited future, an old man lovingly waters a flower, perhaps the last flower to exist. In his home, across from a factory spewing gas, noise and bad vibrations, the vision of which constantly reminds him that the world isn't what it was, the man caringly tends the flower because he knows it's his last hope. Unexpectedly, he receives a surprising package that could change the world, at least his world, and perhaps a little more. A surrealistic fable on the world to come, the portrayal of a corrupt society infested by machines that has forgotten the human being, a future in which there is still place for hope: flowers can grow again.

10:15am

**E.T.A.** (Denmark)

Director: Henrik Bjerregaard Clausen

Running time: 4:30 minutes

Marvin has the most boring job - ever. But all is not as it seems...

#### 10:20am

Tales of the Afternow: Little Rocks (USA) Director: David T. Krupicz/Sean Kennedy

Running time: 8:00 minutes

From an underground bunker a hooded figure lights a candle in the darkness and broadcasts warnings of the inevitable anarchy destined for humanity. His biomechanical upgrades have left his body alive but his memory fragmented and his hope fading. He reaches for one of few remaining personal possessions and re-tells the story of his wife, one of the many who have fallen to the widespread plagues and fallout sickness.

#### 10:28am

Pigeon Impossible (USA)
Director: Lucas Martell
Running time: 6:12 minutes

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

10:35am

**Sintel** (Netherlands)

Writer: Esther Wouda (NL) Director: Colin Levy (US)

Running time: 15 minutes

SINTEL is an epic short film that takes place in a fantasy world, where a girl befriends a baby dragon. After the little dragon is taken from her violently, she undertakes a long journey that leads her to a dramatic confrontation.

10:50am

Cats of Mars Meet The Toy Car (Sweden)

Director: Jacob Stålhammar Running time: 8:00 minutes

In Mars' aged ruins live the Cats of Mars. One daytime a toy motorized vehicle lands. He barely needs to labor as at any rate as work, he not at all needs to snooze or play. The felines believe he's sad, they commit to help.

10:58am

**The Passenger** (Australia) Director: Chris Jones

Running time: 7:00 minutes

Storm clouds gather as a timid bookworm braves his daily walk to the bus stop. When he discovers what awaits him on board, he realizes he'd have been better off outside in the storm.

#### Noon - 2pm Sci-Fi & Fantasy -1

Noon

Enigma (USA)

Writer/Director: Jason & Matt Shumway

Running time: 42:00 minutes

Floating dead in space, transport ship Genesis becomes an unsolvable mystery. All hands on board have been killed. But how, and why? What began as a simple transport mission for the crew of the Genesis, ends with not only their bloodshed, but the loss of an important military prisoner. Follow as we look back to the mission and see if you can discover the enigma.

12:42pm Unearthed (USA)

Director: Lindsey Harris Running time: 22:00 minutes

In the near future...The world is in turmoil.

The atmosphere is thick and heavy with pollution. In a bid to find the solution, missions are launched to explore space for an alternative energy resource. Whilst surveying an uncharted planet two crew members unexpectedly unearth a dark and terrifying truth.

1:02pm

\*Solatrium (USA)
Director: Chris Bower

Running time: 20:00 minutes

Bria, a female astronaut, attempts to cure her regret and ennui by abusing her medication Solatrium. Little does she know she is a test subject for the Nevco Corporation who is developing the experimental drug..

\*Nudity

1:22pm

A Can of Paint (USA)
Director: Robi Michael
Running time: 24 minutes

Interstellar junk dealer, Kilgour, little dreams wharf s in store for him when he salvages a mysterious object from an ancient ship of an unknown race. Based on the short story from A.E. Van Vogt

#### 2pm - 4pm Sci-Fi & Fantasy Web Series

2:00pm

Journey Quest (USA) Director: Matt Vancil

Running time: 43:00 minutes/7 episodes

JourneyQuest is a fantasy comedy web series from the creators of "The Gamers" and "The Gamers: Dorkness Rising".

2:43pm

**Stingray Sam** (USA) Director: Cory Mcabee

Running time: 62:00 minutes/6 episodes

A dangerous mission reunites Stingray Sam with his long lost accomplice, The Quasar Kid. Follow these two space convicts as they earn their freedom in exchange for the rescue of a young girl who is being held captive by the genetically designed figurehead of a very wealthy planet.

#### 4pm - 6pm Fan Films -1

4:00pm

Catwoman: Anima (Canada) Director: Kevin McGuiness Running time: 01:34 minutes

The film which I have submitted is titled "Catwoman: Anima" and is based on the popular DC heroine. This film is a dream sequence which examines the psychological aspects of Selina Kyle's Catwoman persona, as it pertains to Carl Jung's writings concerning the Anima, the unconscious and unbridled female psyche. I hope that this work will eventually serve as the foundation for a feature project concerning Catwoman.

4:02pm

Dr Who: Alternate Empire (USA)

Director: Andreas Calabrese & Sienna Calabrese

Running time: 30:00 minutes

After being thrown into the vortex... The Doctor finds himself trapped in an unknown base in the Outer Rim Sector. There he is faced with Base Troopers and an imposing female Sith lord who will do whatever is necessary to gain the Doctor's secrets... If only Samantha and K9 can find a way to rescue him in time.

4:32pm

Jason vs. Leatherface (USA)

Director: Trent Duncan Running time: 9 minutes

A young woman scrambles through the woods in terror, only to find herself caught in the middle of two of the world's most iconic killers as they face off in a battle to the death!

4:41pm

For Those Who Dared Before (USA) Director/Producer: Perrin Spychala Running time: 40:00 minutes

The sixth Alexander Wellington Adventure "For Those Who Dared Before" begins with Wellington escorting his arch rival, Vittorio Falco, to his London trial. But Falco soon

escapes, kills two guards and leaves Wellington for dead. After his recovery and removal from the mission, Wellington goes rogue to bring Falco down. He soon finds himself in the fight of his life as a suitcase nuclear bomb ticks to doomsday.

5:11pm

Batman: The Line (USA)

Director/Producer: Henry James Tripson

Running time: 13:00 minutes

Following the events found within the comic books BATMAN # 424 & 425, comes an original story by Henry James Tripson. The use of lethal force is called into question by Robin. As Batman defends his position on the matter, on old encounter with the Joker is reflected upon.

5:24pm The Kirkie (USA) Director: Jim Krieg

Running time: 13:00 minutes

Jeff, a self-hating Star Trek nerd, is bumming out his sci-fi geek buddies with his visions of a life beyond fandom. But when their car breaks down on the way to a sci-fi/comic convention, he is forced to find a payphone in a local bar. There he meets the girl of his dreams... and her knuckle-dragging date! But thanks to countless hours of epic Trek battles, Jeff knows how to handle himself in a fight. Or does he?

5:37pm Iron Baby (Canada)

Director/Producer: Patrick Boivin

Running time: 1:15 minutes

An Iron Man movie parody starring my baby girl!

#### <u>6pm - 8pm</u> Sci-Fi & Fantasy - 2

6:00pm

Clone (England)

Director: Chris Bouchard Running time: 2:43 minutes

A man hangs off the edge of skyscraper far above a future city. His clone pursues him with a single purpose; the vial of pure DNA essence which all clones is reliant on to preserve their life force. Should he hand over the vial or plunge to his death? Would you trust a clone of yourself with your life? Would you trust yourself...

6:03pm

Heartless: The Story of the Tin Man (USA)

Director: Brandon McCormick Running time: 23:00 minutes

Based on the backstory of one of the most beloved children's novels of all time comes the extraordinary love story between a simple woodsman and a beautiful maiden. Not having many possessions but wanting to marry his maiden, the woodsman sets his heart to build a large and beautiful cabin. L. Frank Baum wrote the back story to the Tin Woodsman in his book The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Heartless: The Story of the Tin Man is Whitestone Motion Pictures retelling this little known story of the tragic arc of a beloved character who was once human, made of flesh and blood that turned into tin.

6:26pm

Jesus Comes to Town (USA) Director: Kamal John Iskander Running time: 13:00 minutes

An unexpected guest drops in during an underworld poker game in this dark comedy film noir. Starring Steve Eastin (Catch Me If You Can, The Black Dahlia, Up in the Air), Claudia Christian (Babylon 5, Freaks & Geeks), and Alex Veadov (Drag Me To Hell, We Own The Night). Sometimes, a second coming can be...painful!

6:39pm

Super Morning (USA)
Director: Tim Aldridge
Running time: 2:30 minutes

Follow a quirky young woman's ordinary, yet complicated, morning routine; and witness her extraordinary self-revealed in this short comedy starring Rachel Grate.

6:42pm

The Hatter's Apprentice (USA)

Director: Derek Meyer

Running time: 16:15 minutes

The Hatter's Apprentice is a Victorian-era thriller about a young apprentice hat maker who, driven by his affection for a local flower peddler, creates an exquisite hat, despite his master's warnings. When passion turns to nightmare, it's a struggle for him to escape the grip of madness.

6:59pm

The Love Permit (USA)

Director: Christopher Ludgate Running time: 15:00 minutes

Naive Mr. Young is strapped to the hot seat in a very controlled political environment that imposes some outrageous sanctions on people's lives. During an encounter with an administrator while applying for a love & sex permit, he finds himself increasingly on guard, becoming tangled in red tape and incriminating words.

7:14pm

The Man Who Knew How To Fly (USA)

Director: Robi Michael Running time: 24 minutes

Mr. Tomasek has just discovered the human ability to fly. Now he fears the repercussions. Based on the short story by Czech writer Karel Capek.

7:38pm

Time's Up Eve (USA) Director: Patrick Rea

Running time: 6:00 minutes

Follow a quirky young woman's ordinary, yet complicated, morning routine; and witness her extraordinary self-revealed in this short comedy starring Rachel Grate.

7:44pm

Clockwork Infinity (USA) - World Premiere

Director: Sean Kennedy & Matt Vancil

Running time: 10:00 minutes

Wary traveler crosses paths with the Clockwork device....

8pm - 10pm Sci-Fi & Fantasy - 4

8:00pm

Nickel Children (USA)
Director: Kevin Eslinger
Running time: 16:00 minutes

It is the late 19th Century, but not as you might have heard of it. In dust bowl Kansas, a young boy, Jack, witnesses his parent's murder, and is then abducted and forced into an underground child fighting ring. Only the wealthiest are invited to attend these secret communities and bet on the children for their own amusement. However, one among them, an airship captain, is determined to find her own abducted son, whatever the cost.

8:16pm

League of S.T.E.A.M. (USA)

Directors/Producers: Trip Hope, Scott Folsom, Gail Folsom, Pam Hargrove, Lianna

Lawrence

Running time: 10:00 minutes (2 short film episodes)

The League of S.T.E.A.M. (Supernatural and Troublesome Ectoplasmic Apparition Management) is an organization comprised of Inventors, Scientists, Adventurers, Craftsmen, Monster and Creature Hunters, and Paranormal Researchers! You can see more of League of S.T.E.A.M. and our Steam Punk adventures at <a href="http://www.leagueofsteam.com/">http://www.leagueofsteam.com/</a>

8:26pm

The Island (USA)

Director: Nathan Fisher Running time: 25:00 minutes

Tom passes his days in the security of his shelter playing chess, doing crossword puzzles, and listening to old records. Outside the world has gone mad, but it doesn't concern him until he opens his door to a young woman who may convince him it takes more than safety to make life worth living.

8:51pm

Folktales and Airships (USA)

Director/Producer: Peter Salomone

Running time: 9:10 minutes

Ben Towle is a North Carolina-based cartoonist whose highly stylized approach to historical fiction has earned him wide acclaim. Folktales and Airships is a short documentary profile of Towle, exploring the art and culture of cartooning from the perspective of one of the most unique talents in independent comics.

9:01pm

D-I-M (Germany)

Director: Axel and Henning Ricke Running time: 28:00 minutes

A world, as spotless, bleak and cold as its uniform design is not a good place for a dreamer like Lutz. With as much courage as desperation, relying only on his skills and imagination, he faces a terrible fate and fights for his personal happy end. At the end of the twenty-first century society has given up on the illusion of happiness for everyone. Another ideal has taken its place. Your usefulness for society has become the measure of all things. Based on its own rating of the citizens, a dehumanized system distributes goods and services to the inhabitants of its world. Lutz is not cut out for this. He is a romantic aficionado of nostalgic 2D-films of the twenties century. Instead of paying his dues to society, he prefers to sit in front of his antique DVD player and immerses himself into a world where there is still freedom, adventure and heroism. Soon his romantic inclination gets him kicked out of university and loses him his prestigious enrollment at the institute for neuro-informatics. Without perspective or status he finds himself in a situation with no way out. This is where D-I-M picks up the thread of his story and accompanies him in his fight for self-determination. He is dependent on help from his one true friend Jannik, but in the end it is solely up to him if he can defy the system and win a future.

9:29pm

Sons of Chaos (France)

Director/Producer: Mathieu Turi Running time: 15:00 minutes

In a world destroyed by war, where air is but poison, survival of mankind depends on gas masks and outdated technology. At the core of a community of survivors, Oca, a young warrior, aspires to become a Protector. Under Ouranos' watch, an exceptional veteran combatant, he accepts to go through a series of perilous trials in order to obtain his title.

Oca's objective is clear: Become a son of Chaos, the most sought after title given to the Elite warriors.. But will he survive the attacks of the Howler, Blood thirsty creature with a reputation of being invincible?

#### 10:00pm - Midnight Horror-1

10:00pm The Claw (USA)

Director: Sean Ellis

Running time: 11:30 minutes

In the frozen wilderness of the Yukon, Marcus Fletcher (48), an anthropologist, discovers DNA evidence of a legendary Creature, known to the local Tutchone people as Yakatutch. But his son Scott (20) a local snowboarding champ, is unconvinced. When an unknown animal starts killing people in the mountains, Marcus contacts a Tutchone Elder, who explains that Yakatutch can only be killed by one of his descendants. The Elder sends Matusa, a powerful-looking but quiet young tribesman, who has been raised for one purpose: to kill The Beast. But, can Marcus and Scott convince the authorities the threat is real, before it is too late?

10:12pm Clemency (USA)

Director: Joseph Albanese

19:00 minutes

Arthur Poe (Cris D'Annunzio) is a sadistic killer who likes to torture his victims. In 1993, he was convicted for several gruesome murders and received a sentence of death. Years later and days before his execution, the newly elected governor granted Poe clemency based on the testimony given by a psychologist during Poe's murder trial. Many are outraged by the governor's act of leniency. A reporter (Maury Morgan)

confronts Poe seeking to shed light on the emotionally charged topic. What she learns can never be forgotten.

10:31pm

**Do Not Disturb** (USA) Director: Patrick Rea

Running time: 15:00 minutes

A creepy tale about a mysterious man staying in a hotel, who is visited by an unseen entity.

10:46pm

Remote (Canada) Director: Marc Roussel

Running time: 20:00 minutes

A severe snowstorm cuts the cable to Matt's TV, leaving him with channel after channel of static until he happens upon a station with the mirror image of his apartment on it. Except it's his apartment 30 years prior, and a young woman lives there instead.

11:06pm

**Up Under the Roof** (USA)

Director: Darin Reed/ Danielle Stallings

Running time: 20:10 minutes

During the dustbowl era on a dilapidated farm, a lonely ten-year-old boy begins hearing strange noises above his bedroom ceiling at night. The noises grow threatening as the thing in the attic becomes restless and hungry. Through a friendship with a visually impaired girl, he comes to understand that he must face this thing hiding up under the roof before it consumes him.

11:27pm

How I Survived the Zombie Apocalypse (USA)

Director: Christian Cantamessa Running time: 11:00 minutes

It's the story of a mother and son trying to survive during the zombie apocalypse. He's growing up. She's trapped between treating him as her little boy vs. her partner

### Midnight - 2:00am Horror-2

12:00am

Last Seen on Dolores Street (USA)

Director: Devi Snively Running time: 4:00 minutes

Website: http://deviantpictures.com/our-flix/last-seen-on-dolores-street/

In a hard-boiled town, a heartbroken woman says goodbye to an old pet and hello to a new nightmare. Sometimes, life's a real bitch.

12:04am

Next Caller (USA) Director: Patrick Rea

Running time: 15:00 minutes

As writer/director Patrick Rea describes it, "Next Caller" is about a late night radio DJ who is doing a show on the supernatural. His skepticism is put to the test when he starts receiving strange phone calls. It was co-produced by Ryan S. Jones and Patrick Rea and stars Allan Kayser (Night of the Creeps) and Jennifer Friend (Bonnie & Clyde vs. Dracula).

12:19am

The Whisperer in Darkness (USA)
Directors/Producers: Sean Branney

Running time: 60:00 minutes

The story is narrated by a professor at Miskatonic University, who becomes embroiled in a controversy when strange things are seen floating in the river during a Vermont flood. His research leads him to the discovery of legends of a race of monsters who live in the hills who abduct anyone who comes in their territory. Then things get really weird. It was first published in Weird Tales, back in August of 1931. HPLHS Motion Picture release of H.P. Lovecraft's classic tale of alien horror shot in genuine Mythoscope by the H.P. Lovecraft Historical Society.

Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> Room D6 - Reno-Sparks Convention Center

10:00am - 2:00pm Doctor Who HUGO Nominated Episodes

# <u>2:00pm - 4:00pm</u> Sci-Fi & Fantasy - 3

2:00pm

The Candy Shop (USA)

Director: Brandon McCormick Running time: 30:00 minutes

Jimmy Balcom's new job selling newspapers is a God-send to a kid working hard to help his family survive during the depression. But then Jimmy figures out what's happening in the candy shop across the street. And he is confronted with a choice that no twelve-year-old should ever have to face. Giving his family a better life, or keeping his soul. Doug Jones stars as the Candy Shop owner in this original film from director Brandon McCormick of Whitestone Motion Pictures in conjunction with the Doorpost Film Project. It is a fairytale about child sex trafficking.

2:30pm

Cockpit: The Rule Of Engagement (USA)

Director: Jessie Griffith Running time: 12:00 minutes

The Captain of a Star Carrier must to decide whether the lone surviving pilot of a bombing run can return to base when suspicion arises that the alien enemy has corrupted his mind.

2:42pm

Facing Rupert (Australia)
Director: Gregory Erdstein
Running time: 11:00 minutes

Steve Swanson wakes in hospital to discover he has just had a brain tumor removed: the tiny body of his unborn twin, Rupert.

2:53pm Fallout (USA)

Director: Paul Denigris

Running time: 15:58 minutes

Set in a post-apocalyptic future where a cataclysmic war is waged daily on American soil, "Fallout" focuses on the investigation into a failed mission by a Department of Homeland Security counterterrorism team - the "Wild Cards" - to stop a group of

terrorists with a suitcase nuke in the ruins of Phoenix, Arizona. After the smoke clears, a tough-as-nails military investigator examines for evidence that the Wild Cards may have been betrayed by one of their own - via questioning and a brutal holographic memory extraction process - though he may have his own agenda. An epic science fiction action thriller inspired by "24," "Stargate SG-1,"

3:10pm

Lines in the Sand: Ties (USA) Director: Justin Golightly Running time: 14:00 minutes

There is war on Mars. It will be different from all those before it, but more so the same. Lines will be divided between an invading Soldier from Earth and a mourning Widow from Mars. Though millions of miles apart to begin with, they will meet and change each other's lives permanently.

3:24pm

MNEMOSYNE RISING (USA) Director: Miguel Alvarez Running time: 20 minutes

A solitary pilot gazes out a window at a field of stars and a large bluish moon, Mnemosyne. This image of space opens MNEMOSYNE RISING, a twenty-minute 35mm narrative film about a deep space transmitter pilot who begins to experience unusual flashbacks when he learns he's being sent back to Earth.

3:44pm

One Man and His Dog (England)
Director: Jonathan Hopkins
Running time: 8:00 minutes

A gentle alien visits the troubled planet earth. He is a galactic peace ambassador and mankinds only hope of salvation. After crash landing in a remote field he is discovered by a dog-loving stranger on the run from the police. So begins a dark and comical tale of mistaken identity and extra-terrestrial tomfoolery...

#### 4:00pm - 6:00pm Animation - 2

4:00pm

**Elephants Dream** (Netherlands)

Director: Bassam Kurdali Running time: 10:53 minutes

Elephants Dream is the story of two strange characters exploring a capricious and seemingly infinite machine. The elder, Proog, acts as a tour-guide and protector, happily showing off the sights and dangers of the machine to his initially curious but increasingly skeptical protégé Emo. As their journey unfolds we discover signs that the machine is not all Proog thinks it is, and his guiding takes on a more desperate aspect.

4:11pm

Fallen Art (Poland)

Director: Tomek Baginski Running time: 06:00 minutes

Two old men traveling on a train together engage in an escalating conflict that they try to resolve by playing the card game WAR. They then dominate the only innocent victims they can find. Kings poses the question 'is War inevitable?'

4:17pm

Grunwald Walka 600-Lecia (Poland)

Director: Tomek Baginski Running time: 01:30 minutes

The Battle of Grunwald or 1st Battle of Tannenberg was fought on July 15, 1410, during the Polish--Lithuanian--Teutonic War. The alliance of the Kingdom of Poland and the Grand Duchy of Lithuania, led respectively by King Jogaila (Władysław Jagiełło) and Grand Duke Vytautas (Witold), decisively defeated the Teutonic Knights, led by Grand Master Ulrich von Jungingen

4:19pm Kings (USA)

Director: Barbara Mones Running time: 07:00 minutes Two old men traveling on a train together engage in an escalating conflict that they try to resolve by playing the card game WAR. They then dominate the only innocent victims they can find. Kings poses the question 'is War inevitable?'

4:26pm

Lifeline (USA)

Director: Andres Salaff Running time: 6 minutes

A brilliant scientist travels through various dimensions and realms in search of his lost

love.

4:32pm

Shocking, Bloody Robot News! (USA)

Director: Mike Fisher

Running time: 5:00 minutes

This short — using 2D and 3D animation as well as video and motion-comic technique — takes a fun look at the fact that robots will soon kill us all!

4:37pm

The Astronomer's Sun (UK)

Director: Simon Cartwright, Jessica Cope

Running time: 6:00 minutes

A young man, accompanied by his mysterious mechanical bear, visits an abandoned observatory to confront memories of his past and follow his Father on a journey into the unknown. A magical journey about relationships and what it is to be human.

4:43pm

The Cathedral (Poland)
Director: Tomek Baginski
Running time: 06:30 minutes

The movie focuses on a man who visits a mystical, organic building that looks like a medieval cathedral. As he walks through the immense structure, the light from his torch falls upon the pillars, revealing human faces. The viewer later realizes that the faces are still alive, as several smile and open their eyes as the man walks past them. The building's nature is partially unveiled at sunrise as the blinding light enchants the visitor and causes organic branch-like structures to burst from his chest. These protrusions then become another set of pillars in the building.

4:49pm

Painter of Skies (Spain)
Director: Jorge Morais Valle
Running time: 20:00 minutes

From the darkness of the lost cliffs, a crazy painter, marked by his past, and his faithful assistant try to find a solution against perpetual storms. Sea is destroying their home. A magic boiler and some tormented ghosts will help them to find the light.

5:10pm

Craft of Unknown Origin (USA)

Director: Mike Fisher

Running time: 30:00 minutes

Craft of Unknown Origin is a 30-minute documentary that examines the subject of UFOs. Drawing from a number of credible UFO witnesses and UFO reports, the video is crammed with diagrams, as well as 2D and 3D animation, that accurately visualize the strange vehicles that these witnesses report seeing.

6:00pm - 8:00pm Horror - 3

6:00pm

Alice Jacobs is Dead (USA) Director: Alex Horwitz

Running time: 21:00 minutes

Dr. Ben Jacobs saved the world. The drug he created allowed mankind to fight back against the Z-virus, which nearly destroyed civilization as we know it. Now, in the aftermath of the crisis, he's trying to cure the last victims of the virus. But what will happen when he brings his mysterious work home?

6:21pm

**Dead Bones** (Switzerland)

Director/Producer: Olivier Beguin Running time: 19:00 minutes

The film tells the story of a bounty hunter and his prey as they proceed in unknown territory.

6:40pm

**Get Off My Porch** (USA) Director: Patrick Rea

Running time: 13:21 minutes

A man is terrorized by Girl Scouts selling 'delicious' cookies.

6:54pm

**Scream Machine** (USA) Director: Tim Aldridge

Running time: 15:00 minutes

Three friends come across a small wooden box that reads: "Scream Machine, Face Your Fears." The box has a bizarre history; when opened, it will reveal a person's worst fear. Now, they are faced with questions: Do they believe the story? Will they open the box?

7:09pm

**Séance** (Czech Republic) Director: Robin Kasparik Running time: 19:00 minutes

Séance narrates the story of three people, who are trying to find the fortune of a deceased baroness through a spiritualistic séance. But things will go a bit differently than they planned...

7:28pm

Sinkhole (USA)

Director: Eric Scherbarth Running time: 13:00 minutes

A salesman approaches a mysterious landowner with an offer to buy the man's smoldering abandoned coalmines but finds that there is something far worse than a mine fire underneath the land.

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> 10:00am - Noon Fan Films - 2

10:00am

Born of Hope (United Kingdom)

Director: Kate Madison

Running time: 71:00 minutes

A scattered people, the descendants of storied sea-kings of the ancient West, struggle to survive in a lonely wilderness as a dark force relentlessly bends its will toward their destruction. Yet amidst these valiant, desperate people, hope remains. A royal house endures unbroken from father to son.

11:11am

A Light in the Darkness (USA) Director: Fed Wetherbee Running time: 40:00 minutes

A young boy watches the Jedi who saved his people be killed by the very clones who once fought by his side. Years later, as a member of a small insurgency against the empire he and his team hatch a unique plan to take back their planet by drawing the attention of the newly formed rebel alliance.

Noon - 2:00pm Fan Films - 3

Noon

**Hunt for Gollum** (United Kingdom)

Director: Chris Bouchard Running time: 38:00 minutes

The great events of the war of the ring are about to unfold and the priority for Strider and Gandalf is to keep the Ring secret. Sauron is preparing to unleash his armies and Gollum is creeping around Middle Earth with crucial knowledge of the Ring's location. He must be found.

12:38pm

**ST: Phoenix** (USA) Director: Leo Roberts

Running time: 30:00 minutes

Set 40 years after *Star Trek: Nemesis*, this new fan film focuses on the adventures of the crew of the USS Phoenix (NCX-101138). The 'Ascension Class ship is a massive 1,400 meters long and uses a hybrid of Romulan and Federation design, with a crew of more than 10,000. The pilot episode "Cloak & Dagger" takes place one year into the maiden voyage of the ship which has a mission of exploration and diplomacy.

1:08pm

The Ghostbusters of SLC (USA)

Director: Scott Silver

Running time: 32:28 minutes

When there's something strange in your neighborhood, just contact your local franchise! But make sure you have insurance first... Meet the local Ghostbusters of Salt Lake City. They have the tools and some of the talent, but when a local university starts seeing strange things and hearing peculiar noises they contact Garin Sketch, Kevin Mavricson and Dr. Marcus Silver to investigate the problem. This is the first episode of an ongoing webseries revolving around the Ghostbusters of Salt Lake. This film was made by film students and fans of the classic films. The purpose of this entire project was to learn and grow in film making. All the special effects, lighting, and camera work was all done by amateurs that have hopes of bettering themselves through film.

1:41pm

**Dr. Fate Returns** (USA) Director: Gary Lobstein Running time: 9:42 minutes

In the final chapter of the Fan Serial, Dr. Fate regains his strength after being saved by the Question and with the help of Inza, enters the dream world of Cthulhu to confront the evil Crawling Chaos. As Inza tethers him to our world, Fate must pull out his most powerful spells to rescue the Question and wage war against the creature that single-handedly immobilized the other heroes of the Justice League.

# 2:00pm - 4:00pm Animation - 1 Encore

2:00pm

**The Delivery** (Germany) Director: Till Nowak

Running Time: 15:00 minutes

In a grey, industrial and uninhabited future, an old man lovingly waters a flower, perhaps the last flower to exist. In his home, across from a factory spewing gas, noise and bad vibrations, the vision of which constantly reminds him that the world isn't what it was, the man caringly tends the flower because he knows it's his last hope. Unexpectedly, he receives a surprising package that could change the world, at least his world, and perhaps a little more. A surrealistic fable on the world to come, the portrayal of a corrupt society infested by machines that has forgotten the human being, a future in which there is still place for hope: flowers can grow again.

#### 2:15pm

E.T.A. (Denmark)

Director: Henrik Bjerregaard Clausen

Running time: 4:30 minutes

Marvin has the most boring job - ever. But all is not as it seems...

#### 2:20pm

Tales of the Afternow: Little Rocks (USA) Director: David T. Krupicz/Sean Kennedy

Running time: 8:00 minutes

From an underground bunker a hooded figure lights a candle in the darkness and broadcasts warnings of the inevitable anarchy destined for humanity. His biomechanical upgrades have left his body alive but his memory fragmented and his hope fading. He reaches for one of few remaining personal possessions and re-tells the story of his wife, one of the many who have fallen to the widespread plagues and fallout sickness.

#### 2:28pm

Pigeon Impossible (USA)
Director: Lucas Martell
Running time: 6:12 minutes

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

#### 2:35pm

**Sintel** (Netherlands)

Writer: Esther Wouda (NL) Director: Colin Levy (US)

Running time: 15 minutes

SINTEL is an epic short film that takes place in a fantasy world, where a girl befriends a baby dragon. After the little dragon is taken from her violently, she undertakes a long journey that leads her to a dramatic confrontation.

### 2:50pm

Cats of Mars Meet The Toy Car (Sweden)

Director: Jacob Stålhammar Running time: 8:00 minutes

In Mars' aged ruins live the Cats of Mars. One daytime a toy motorized vehicle lands. He barely needs to labor as at any rate as work, he not at all needs to snooze or play. The felines believe he's sad, they commit to help.

#### 2:58pm

**The Passenger** (Australia) Director: Chris Jones

Running time: 7:00 minutes

Storm clouds gather as a timid bookworm braves his daily walk to the bus stop. When he discovers what awaits him on board, he realizes he'd have been better off outside in the storm.

# 4:00pm - 6:00pm Sci-Fi & Fantasy -1 Encore

4:00pm

Enigma (USA)

Writer/Director: Jason & Matt Shumway

Running time: 42:00 minutes

Floating dead in space, transport ship Genesis become an unsolvable mystery. All hands on board have been killed. But how, and why? What began as a simple transport mission for the crew of the Genesis, ends with not only their bloodshed, but the loss of an important military prisoner. Follow as we look back to the mission and see if you can discover the enigma.

4:42pm

Unearthed (USA)

Director: Lindsey Harris Running time: 22:00 minutes

In the near future...The world is in turmoil.

The atmosphere is thick and heavy with pollution. In a bid to find the solution, missions are launched to explore space for an alternative energy resource. Whilst surveying an uncharted planet two crew members unexpectedly unearth a dark and terrifying truth.

5:02pm

\*Solatrium (USA)
Director: Chris Bower

Running time: 20:00 minutes

Bria, a female astronaut, attempts to cure her regret and ennui by abusing her medication Solatrium. Little does she know she is a test subject for the Nevco Corporation who is developing the experimental drug..

\*Nudity

5:22pm

A Can of Paint (USA)
Director:Robi Michael
Running time: 24 minutes

Interstellar junk dealer, Kilgour, little dreams wharf s in store for him when he salvages a mysterious object from an ancient ship of an unknown race. Based on the short story from A.E. Van Vogt

6:00pm - 8:00pm Horror -2 Encore

6:00pm

Last Seen on Dolores Street (USA)

Director: Devi Snively

Running time: 4:00 minutes

Website: http://deviantpictures.com/our-flix/last-seen-on-dolores-street/

In a hard-boiled town, a heartbroken woman says goodbye to an old pet and hello to a new nightmare. Sometimes, life's a real bitch.

06:04am

Next Caller (USA) Director: Patrick Rea

Running time: 15:00 minutes

As writer/director Patrick Rea describes it, "Next Caller" is about a late night radio DJ who is doing a show on the supernatural. His skepticism is put to the test when he starts receiving strange phone calls. It was co-produced by Ryan S. Jones and Patrick Rea and stars Allan Kayser (Night of the Creeps) and Jennifer Friend (Bonnie & Clyde vs. Dracula).

06:19am

The Whisperer in Darkness (USA)
Directors/Producers: Sean Branney

Running time: 60:00 minutes

The story is narrated by a professor at Miskatonic University, who becomes embroiled in a controversy when strange things are seen floating in the river during a Vermont flood. His research leads him to the discovery of legends of a race of monsters who live in the hills who abduct anyone who comes in their territory. Then things get really weird. It was first published in Weird Tales, back in August of 1931. HPLHS Motion Picture release of H.P. Lovecraft's classic tale of alien horror shot in genuine Mythoscope by the H.P. Lovecraft Historical Society.