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CHILDREN OF THE WICKER MAN

DIRECTOR: Justin Hardy, Dominic Hardy, Chris Nunn

CAST: Justin Hardy, Dominic Hardy

2024/UK/1hr32min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: 50 years on from the making of The Wicker Man (1973), director Robin Hardy's lost papers come to filmmaker son Justin

RATING GUIDE: L

GENRE GUIDE: Documentary, Folk Horror

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 3:00PM



THE LAST ANNIVERSARY

DIRECTOR: Brett Butler, Jason Butler

CAST: Ry Barret, Kevin Courtney, Manon Ens-Lapointe

2025/Canada/1hr 28min:

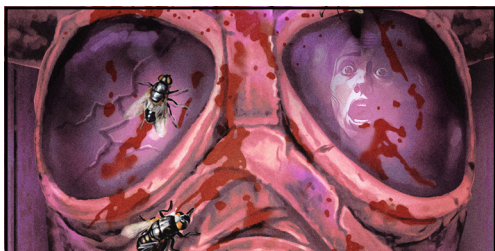
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: On the eve of the apocalypse, Tom and Aubrey are celebrating their tenth anniversary at the abandoned hotel

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Psychological Horror

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 3:20PM



SWEET MEATS

DIRECTOR: Ricky Glore

CAST: Ricky Glore

2024/USA/1hr 41min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Sometimes a "secret ingredient" should stay that way

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 5:15PM



WHAT HAPPENED TO DOROTHY BELL

DIRECTOR: Danny Villanueva Jr.

CAST: Michael Hargrove, Asya Meadows, Lisa Wilcox

2025/USA/1hr 20min:

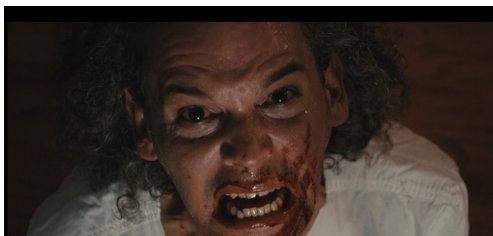
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: After uncovering disturbing revelations from her early childhood involving her late grandmother, Ozzie Gray sets out to investigate her past.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Found Footage, Horror

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 8:00PM



GOD COUNTRY

DIRECTOR: Matthew Thomas Laughter

CAST: James Storm, James David West, Bob Daniel

2025/USA/1hr 24min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Benjamin Marsh, laid-off and over-extended, won't have the money to give his boyfriend the life he deserves.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Sexual Situations, Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Thriller, LGBT+

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 11:15AM



THE HARBOR MEN

DIRECTOR: Casey T. Malone

CAST: Aidan White, Randall Paetzold, Gian Chivas Pogliano

2020/USA/1hr 40min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: During a waterfront viral outbreak that causes hallucinations and madness in the infected, dock worker Steven Dorre witnesses a strange murder

RATING GUIDE: V, L **GENRE GUIDE:** Sci-Fi, Noir

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:30PM



SORORITY BABES IN THE SLIMEBALL BOWL-O-RAMA

DIRECTOR: David DeCoteau

CAST: Andras Jones Linnea Quigley, Robin Stille, Brinke Stevens

1988/USA/1hr 20min:

SYNOPSIS: As part of a sorority ritual, pledges and their male companions steal a trophy from a bowling alley; unbeknownst to them, it contains a devilish imp who makes their lives a living Hell.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Nudity, Sexual Situations

GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Camp, Cult Classic

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 3:10PM



WOLF MOON RISING

DIRECTOR: Todd Sheets

CAST: Rob Westrick, Marcus McIntosh, Jack McCord

2025/USA/1hr 33min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: In deepest space, they're not human...they're savage...A love letter to the golden era of genre cinema — crafted in the spirit of Roger Corman classics

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Nudity, Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Sci-Fi

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 3:45PM



THE RECKONING

DIRECTOR: The Reckoning

CAST: Michael Weaver, Kristin Griffith, Quincy Dunn-Baker
2025/USA/1hr 23min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: An American man's will stipulates his ashes be spread at a French chateau he visited years previous. Caught off guard, his disabled widow and two sons are forced overseas to fulfill the strange request.

RATING GUIDE: V.L. Scary Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Thriller

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:55PM



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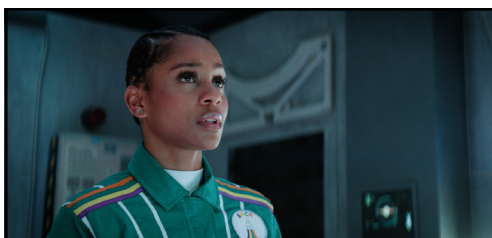
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TETHER

DIRECTOR: Meredith Berg

CAST: Geffri Maya, Ming-Na Wen, Samm Levine, Joe Russell

2025/USA/14min:

Wisconsin Premiere

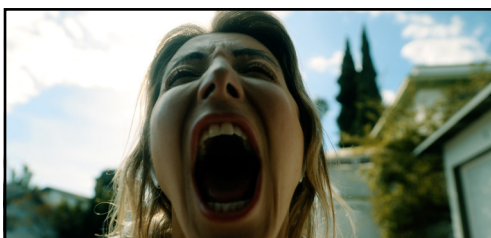
SYNOPSIS: On the first day of her job running a remote, isolated space station, Mickie receives mysterious transmissions...

RATING GUIDE: Intense Situations

GENRE GUIDE: Sci-Fi, Thriller, Action

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 4:45PM

COSMIC ODYSSES: SCI-FI SHORTS



WE REGRET TO INFORM YOU

DIRECTOR: Michelle Bossy

CAST: Zina Wilde, Kai Lennox

2025/Greece, USA/13min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Set in a dystopian near future where everyone is provided with a 24-hour warning before their death...

RATING GUIDE: L

GENRE GUIDE: Drama, Dark Comedy, Sci-Fi

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 4:45PM

COSMIC ODYSSES: SCI-FI SHORTS



LAUNCH AT PARADISE

DIRECTOR: Carrie Ann Quinn

CAST: Catherine Curtin, Zainab Jah, Lauren Schaffel

2022/USA/15min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: The lines between life and death become blurred for John as he takes the risk to live forever.

RATING GUIDE: L

GENRE GUIDE: Sci-Fi, Thriller, Mystery

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 4:45PM

COSMIC ODYSSES: SCI-FI SHORTS



THE ITCH

DIRECTOR: Gordon Phillips

CAST: Nathan Nagvajara, John Potvin

2024/Mexico, USA/14min:

Wisconsin Premiere

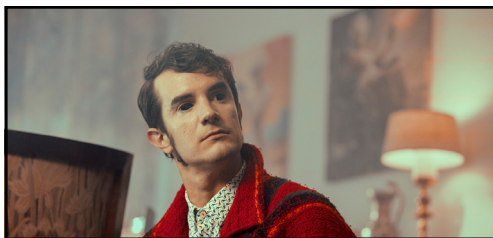
SYNOPSIS: Example text of the movie here. Lots of stuff happened in A young man awakens in an unfamiliar apartment only to find himself under surveillance... and decaying rapidly.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Gore

GENRE GUIDE: Sci-Fi, Horror, Thriller

FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 4:45PM

COSMIC ODYSSES: SCI-FI SHORTS



TRAGEDIUM

DIRECTOR: Gaston Diego Haag
CAST: Jordi Aguilar, Goize Blanco, Lander Otaola, Aimar Vega
2024/Spain/14min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: An unresolved debt and three thugs who are going to take care of the matter, but what is going to happen is not going to go at all as planned.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Fantasy, Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



FREAKIN' WEEKEND

DIRECTOR: David Bradburn
CAST: James Knight, Taylor Friend
2025/USA/6min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A horror movie spoof about a couple trying to decide what to do for the weekend.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



NO ESCAPE

DIRECTOR: Leena Kurishingal
CAST: Leena Kurishingal, Mike Monreal, Shivani Thakkar
2024/USA/9min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: When her perfect romantic getaway in the woods is ruined by the appearance of the ominous 'Indian Mother'...

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU A LAWNMOWER

DIRECTOR: Moon Abbott
CAST: Bethany Schmieder, Chris Larson
2025/USA/5min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Things go awry as 1950s couple Dick and Brenda prepare for company.

RATING GUIDE: Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



LUMBERJACK

DIRECTOR: Colin Stryker
CAST: Sarah Shaw Glidden, Daniel Jackson
2024/USA/11min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A young couple, struggling to keep their relationship alive, embark on an overnight to the woods, but are stalked by an axe-wielding lumberjack.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Slasher, Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



RING RING

DIRECTOR: Lucas Xavier Simes
CAST: Keenan Odenkirk
2025/USA/12min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: The simple mistake of tossing wedding rings into a trash compactor spirals into a fight for survival when the best man dives in after the rings and finds himself about to be crushed.

RATING GUIDE: L, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Dark Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



A THOUSAND PAPER CUTS

DIRECTOR: Sam Quinn
CAST: Kacie LaCombe, Scott Langer
2025/USA/27min:
Midwest Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Example text of the movie here. Lots of stuff happened in this movie and it was very gross and weird but fun for the whole family.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 6:05PM

CAKLES & SCREAMS: HORROR COMEDY SHORTS



THE BURIED RIVER

DIRECTOR: Parker Winship
CAST: Phoebe González
2024/USA/12min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Frightened that his mother is possessed by a bloodthirsty monster...

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Drama
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



STARVE

DIRECTOR: Nathaniel Urbanski
CAST: Briannon Anglum
2025/USA/6min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: After a long shift at the restaurant, an artist returns home and pointedly avoids her studio...

RATING GUIDE: V, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



VOWELS

DIRECTOR: Rafael De Leon
CAST: Alexa Smith, Sunny Makwana, Chelsea Carpenter
2025/USA/5min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Ava needs to record a self-tape but her speech impediment keeps getting in the way.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



WHITTLED DOWN

DIRECTOR: Olly Glenn
CAST: NA
2024/USA/5min:
Midwest Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Carlisle has been trapped in this cabin for a long, long time.

RATING GUIDE: Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Experimental, Animation
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



ONEIROPHOBIA

DIRECTOR: Michael Kuciak
CAST: Jason Markoff
2025/USA/1hr 40min:
World Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A lonely man's dream journal vanishes from its usual place... only to be found elsewhere, with a message from the entity that haunts his night terrors.

RATING GUIDE: Scary Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



THE BLOOD WITCH

DIRECTOR: Austin Torres
CAST: Adam Michaels, Kali Malia Michaels
2024/USA/9min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Trying to impress his new girlfriend, Aaron tells Kelly the "legend" of The Blood Witch, not realizing he may be summoning the wrath of a bloodthirsty being.

RATING GUIDE: V. L. Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Horror

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



THE CALL OF WATER

DIRECTOR: Kaya Tone
CAST: Trinity Simpson, Emily Bollman, Sawyer Wright, Eric Palmer
2022/USA/19min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Flung into the astral-plane, Nadia must face ancient forces in order to realize her responsibility to her homeland.

RATING GUIDE: Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Drama, Fantasy

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:00AM

MIND BENDING SHORTS



FAST FOOD

DIRECTOR: Sydney Flint
CAST: Terrell T. Franklin, Suzie Hoepner
2024/USA/4min:
World Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A delivery driver runs into someone a bit peckish.
A film from the **5 MINUTE Horrors: Student Film Challenge**

RATING GUIDE: NA

GENRE GUIDE: Student, 48hr

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:30AM

5 MINUTE HORRORS & OTHER STUDENT SHORTS



THE HAUNTED HAYRIDE

DIRECTOR: Meadow Clouse
CAST: Meadow Clouse, Willow Clouse, Colin Bush, Will West
2024/USA/4min:
World Premiere

SYNOPSIS: While visiting a campsite, a group of friends are plagued by a sense of dread.

A film from the **5 MINUTE Horrors: Student Film Challenge**

RATING GUIDE: NA

GENRE GUIDE: Student, 48hr

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:30AM

5 MINUTE HORRORS & OTHER STUDENT SHORTS



TORN WINGS

DIRECTOR: Ben Huffman, Mabel Huffman

CAST: Mabel Huffman, Emma June Huffman, Alison Sandvold

2025/USA/6min:

World Premiere

SYNOPSIS: While out playing, a little girl find something disturbing in the middle of the road.

RATING GUIDE: V

GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 10:30AM

5 MINUTE HORRORS & OTHER STUDENT SHORTS



THE HOBBYIST

DIRECTOR: George Vatisas

CAST: Robert W. Smith, Daniel Mitura, C.J. Gelfand, Teddy Kalin

2024/USA/8min:

Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A mysterious druggist is visited by Sangstrom, a seemingly ordinary man in search of an undetectable poison. Yet, Sangstrom winds up getting more than he bargained for from the sagacious alchemist.

RATING GUIDE: L

GENRE GUIDE: Neo-Noire, Thriller, Fantasy, Horror

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 11:25AM

KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



DEADBOLT

DIRECTOR: Andy Wilczak

CAST: Josh Zettlemoyer, Emma Littig

2024/USA/9min:

Wisconsin Premiere

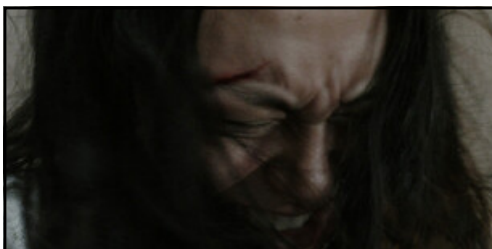
SYNOPSIS: Walking, checking, distressing. Walking, checking, distressing. How long before you break?

RATING GUIDE:

GENRE GUIDE: Experimental Thriller

SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 11:25AM

KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



KEEP THEM SAFE

DIRECTOR: Paul Khailo

CAST: Brendan Mertens, Elisa Palma

2024/USA/12min:

Wisconsin Premiere

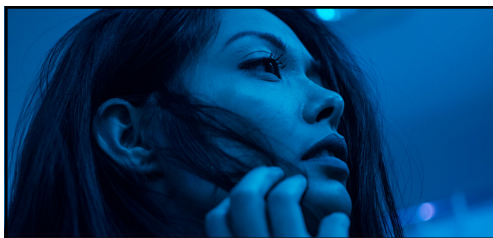
SYNOPSIS: Good Deeds Awaken Evil, as Jason helps a woman in distress, he unknowingly unleashes something terrible.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery

GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Thriller

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KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



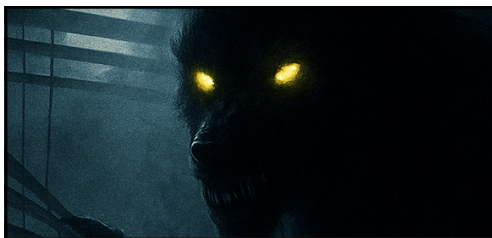
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DIRECTOR: Jose Castillo
CAST: Lorenzo Castillo, Melyssa Gonzalez, Nikola Miladinovic
2023/Mexico/USA/7min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A widowed hitman seeks revenge but must decide between saving his corrupt brother or a helpless victim of human trafficking.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Drama, Film Noir
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KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



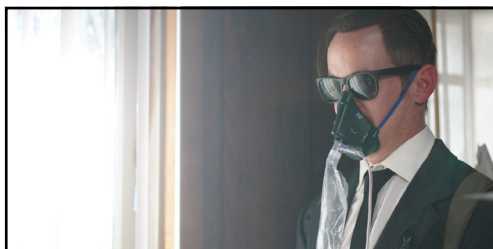
THE WEREWOLF AT MY WINDOW

DIRECTOR: Sterling Smith
CAST: Devanie Celeste, Chris Manola
2025/USA/5min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: When battling our personal monsters, sometimes you need to rewrite the narrative.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Disturbing Content
GENRE GUIDE: Psychological Thriller
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 11:25AM

KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



THE GHOST OF D.B. COOPER

DIRECTOR: Nick Harkins
CAST: Terry King, Ryker Caliando
2024/USA/13min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: On November 24th 1971, a young boy and comic book enthusiast encounters a mysterious stranger in his home.

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Thriller, Mystery, Historical, Drama
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KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



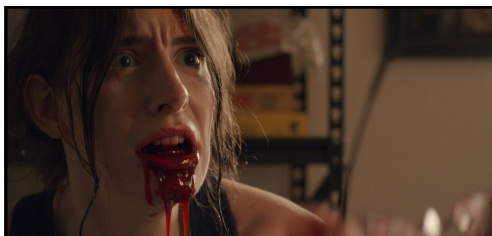
GOLDDLOCKS

DIRECTOR: William Instone
CAST: Darren D Davidson, Zoei Fortune, Parrish Randall, Paige Steakley
2025/USA/19min:
Midwest Premiere

SYNOPSIS: In the city of Austin Texas, a methodical serial killer with an obsession with blond hair known only as "Goldilocks", preys on a young blonde woman on Halloween night.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Thriller
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 11:25AM

KILLER THRILLS: THRILLER SHORTS



BOUND IN ROSEMARY

DIRECTOR: Reanna Madson
CAST: Lauren Rosemurgy, Mack Hastings
2025/USA/13min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Bound In Rosemary is a horror short about a young woman who, after struggling with a new dance sequence, is interrupted by a stranger at her door.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Dance
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



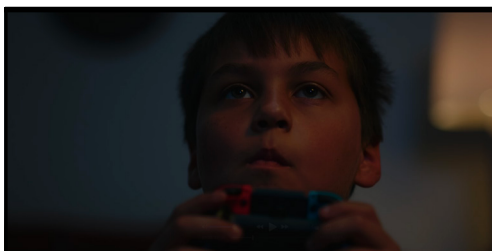
MR. BALE

DIRECTOR: Jocelyne Berumen
CAST: McKenzie VanOss, Max Williamson, Elyse Karpfinger
2024/USA/6min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Mr. Bale tells the story of a troubled man who is encouraged to visit the women of Natural Healing Farms, where unconventional practices may be the key to healing his inner wounds.

RATING GUIDE: V
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



SOMBRA

DIRECTOR: Sergio Espino
CAST: Drake Montoya, Bruce Montoya
2020/USA/2min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A young man's imagination takes a very scary turn.

RATING GUIDE:
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



MINION

DIRECTOR: Ron Purtee
CAST: Mellisa Jo Murphy, Ryan Guadarrama, Alice Kingston
2012/USA/4min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A woman comes to babysit, but things just aren't exactly what they seem.

RATING GUIDE: V, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS

OCCUPIED

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DIRECTOR: Earl Martin
CAST: Earl Martin
2021/USA/12min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: This footage was found in the basement of an old abandoned church building near Hell's Kitchen in NYC.

RATING GUIDE: Scary Situations
GENRE GUIDE: Paranormal, Found Footage, Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



THE MOURNING TAPES

DIRECTOR: Sergio Espino
CAST: Beth Gordon, Wendy Acosta, Terry King
2024/USA/7min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A recently widowed detective must solve the recent disappearances of many people.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Drama
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS

THE SONG OF LAKHE

THE SONG OF LAKHE

DIRECTOR: Daniel Joseph Pico
CAST: Amelia Mahrie, Frankie Breit, Pippa McGregor, Anna Hahm
2024/USA/10min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A young couple takes in a foster child who is more than she appears.

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Musical, Drama
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



SHADOW OF THE SHEPHERD

DIRECTOR: John "Jack" Thomas III
CAST: Nicky Danielson
USA/12min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A powerful speaker gives a sermon most disturbing.

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Experimental
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



THE BLACKSMITH'S CURSE

DIRECTOR: Sam Sorenson
CAST: Julia Dailey, David Gotiear
2024/USA/12min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A patient convinces his doctor to investigate a local superstition.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Thriller, Sci-fi
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:00PM

WISCONSIN HORRORS - SHORTS



THE NATURE OF DEATH

DIRECTOR: Sean Crusier
CAST: Murphy Martin, Tyler Beveridge, Torean Thomas, Bix Kreiger
2024/USA/16min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: When an eccentric park ranger crosses paths with a grieving hiker, he offers his help in finding the perfect spot to scatter the hiker's father's ashes

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Thriller, Drama
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



SOUS VIDE

DIRECTOR: Luke Van Garza
CAST: Kelsey Summers, Caleb Childers, Deanna Noel
2024/USA/9min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: After attending the funeral of her Scandinavian fiancé's mother, an American woman must decide whether to honor the mother's last wishes.

RATING GUIDE: Disturbing Content
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Thriller
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THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



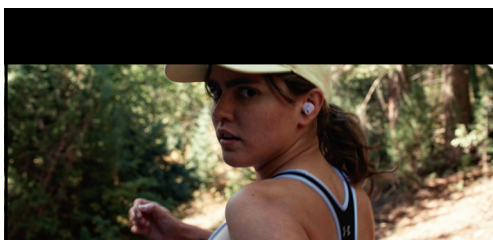
AGNES WAKES UP

DIRECTOR: Andrew Blazensky
CAST: Chelsea Gue, Jillian Ferry
2024/USA/7min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Immediately following an exorcism, Agnes wakes up tied to a chair and realizes she is not alone.

RATING GUIDE: Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
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THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



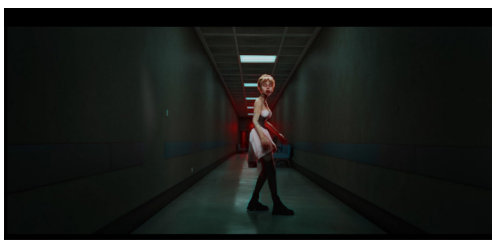
BRIEFCASE

DIRECTOR: John FreelyKirk
CAST: Madelyn Parrulli, Benjamin A. Fuller
2025/USA/2min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A jogger encounters a masked stranger in the woods, who insists she looks inside his briefcase.

RATING GUIDE: V
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



THE LOST ECHO

DIRECTOR: Andrew Cyr-Marcoux
CAST: Ludvine Reding
2025/Canada/8min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: In a liminal universe where logic fades, a narcissistic narrator manipulates a lonely young woman trapped in a disturbing cycle of hatred and confusion.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Thriller, Horror Animation
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



KNIFE

DIRECTOR: Michael Kuciak
CAST: Jason Markoff, Anthea Greco
2024/USA/3min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A slasher told from the point-of-view of the murder weapon.

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



CATTYWAMPUS

DIRECTOR: Matt Long
CAST: Jaye Jameson, Jason Hayes
2025/USA/5min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Darrell just can't seem to get things straightened out...

RATING GUIDE: Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



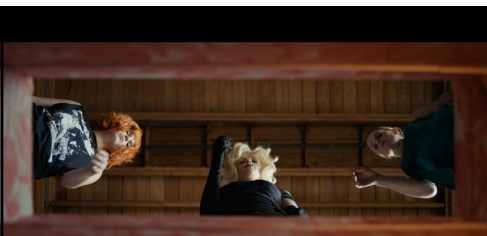
THE WRITER'S HORROR

DIRECTOR: Sergiy Pudich
CAST: Vesse Saastamoinen
2025/Thailand/10min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A struggling, selfish horror writer turns to ChatGPT for help with his latest script.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Disturbing Content
GENRE GUIDE: Thriller, Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

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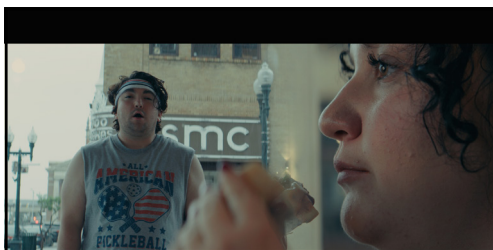
BANANAHEAD

DIRECTOR: Christopher Greenslate
CAST: Sally Maersk, Ryan O'Nan
2023/USA/24min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: After her mother's disappearance, Andi Sanger hopes to land the lead role in the adaptation of her mother's bestselling novel BANANAHEAD.

RATING GUIDE: V, L, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Psychological Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:20PM

THE HORRORS: HORROR SHORTS



FAST

DIRECTOR: Clayton Henderson
CAST: Samuel Bosh, Donovan Roe, Sara Patterson
2024/USA/14min:
Midwest Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Overweight Jake begins to lose his sanity after being put on an extended fast by his intense personal trainer.

RATING GUIDE: L
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Comedy
FRIDAY, OCT. 3RD 5:15PM

PLAYING WITH: SWEET MEATS



THE WANDERER

DIRECTOR: Michael Lavine
CAST: Alice Kremelberg, Cody Kastro
2020/USA/10min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Morana is an immortal woman searching for a dying man named Hopper...

RATING GUIDE: V, L
GENRE GUIDE: Fantasy, Gothic Noir
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:30PM

PLAYING WITH: THE HARBOR MEN



IT IS WATCHING

DIRECTOR: Ripley Howarth

CAST: NA

2024/United Kingdom/2min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: A paranoid woman attempts to go about her day whilst being deeply afraid of a potential watcher who she fears is following her.

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Animation, Thriller
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:30PM

PLAYING WITH: WOLF MOON RISING



JACK'S A LANTERN

DIRECTOR: Olivia R Nendick

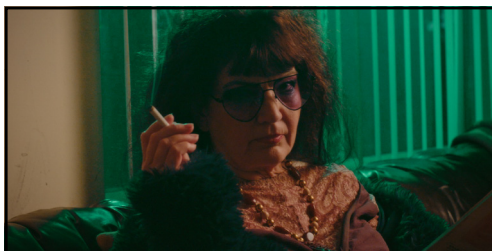
CAST: James Szweda, Luke Szweda, Jackson Anderson

2024/USA/3min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Two kids go trick or treating on a canceled Halloween night...

RATING GUIDE: V, Intense Imagery
GENRE GUIDE: Animation, Horror
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 1:30PM

PLAYING WITH: WOLF MOON RISING



THE NIGHT JANE WENT INSANE

DIRECTOR: Zach Lorkiewicz

CAST: Brinke Stevens, Michelle Bauer, Linnea Quigley
2023/USA/7min:
Kenosha Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Is a woman going insane or are aliens involved?

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Sci-Fi
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 3:10PM

PLAYING WITH: SORORITY BABES



THE TENT

DIRECTOR: Jared Bohlken

CAST: Benjamin Hughes, David Wasyluk, Jessica Landis, Rachel Moen
2024/USA/11min:
Wisconsin Premiere

SYNOPSIS: Night has fallen, and the tent is pitched. But Andrew and his father, out camping, didn't anticipate the relentless rain...

RATING GUIDE: NA
GENRE GUIDE: Horror, Drama
SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH 5:55PM

PLAYING WITH: THE RECKONING

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