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TORONTO LGBT FILM FESTIVAL

Short films screening at 2012 Inside Out

33 Teeth - Evan Roberts, USA

A young teen develops a heightened fascination not only with the attractive high school senior working out next door, but also with his comb.

Akin - Chase Joynt, Canada

Akin is a powerful exploration of the relationship between an Orthodox Jewish mother and her transgender son as they navigate silent secrets of a shared past.

Au Plus Proche - Maxime Desmons, Canada

In this meditation on mourning, a gay actor who has tragically lost his lover makes a radical life decision while performing Molière onstage.

Baldguy (Skallaman) - Maria Bock, Norway

Follow a young man's quest for love and acceptance in this lively musical film about being yourself and loving whoever you want.

Black Mask (Máscara Negra) - Rene Brasil, Brazil

At Carnival in Rio, you can be exactly who you want, without anyone knowing who you are.

Boys Village - Till Kleinert, UK/Germany

Young Kevin has made Boys Village his home for some time now. This village, once a holiday home for coal miners' sons, is now abandoned, little remaining of its former glory, and Kevin has had no one to play with. Until now....

Bully This - Frank Prendergast, Canada

Toronto students discuss what it is like being queer in high school, being bullied and why it is so important to have gay-straight alliances in all schools. You will be struck by how vibrant and alive these students are and by their unwillingness to give up without a fight.

Bunny - Nickolaos Stagias, Canada

Kyle struggles to hold onto his ailing relationship with David, whose health is rapidly deteriorating from Alzheimer's. As tension between the couple reaches a breaking point, David wanders off alone into the cold.

The Bus Pass - Narissa Lee, USA

A San Francisco bus is as good a place as any for a young woman to meet the love of her life. But how many stops until the dreamy stranger walks out of her life forever?

Cappucino - Tamer Ruggli, Switzerland

Jérémie is a shy teenager with a secret: his sexuality. Trying to navigate between his classmate Damien, sexual fantasy, and his overprotective mother...something's gotta give.

Carmen Rupe - Lucy Hayes, Australia

A 74-year-old Aussie drag queen looks back on her life.

Chloe Likes Olivia - Mette Kjærgaard, Denmark

After a night out, Olivia brings home Chloe. Chloe is in love with Olivia, but Olivia is in a relationship with Andrea, who is waiting at home. A love triangle unfolds, forcing Olivia to make a choice: when is enough enough?

Couples Therapy: Twitter - Mike Rose, USA

A man and his boyfriend see a therapist in order to delve into the depths of their relationship problems...and into a joke that just won't die.

Cross Your Fingers - Yun Joo Chang, UK

Su-Yeon, a manicurist at a hair salon in Brixton, South London, is a good Catholic girl. But ever since punk girl Maya walked into the salon, Su-Yeon has been forced to confront new feelings and desires.

The Day Cools (Dagen Svalnar) - Malin Cramer, Sweden

As the guests arrive at a summer evening wedding, the chef notices a woman standing alone. A connection is made and throughout the evening a bond forms between them.

A Day in the Country (En dag på landet) - Pella Kågerman, Hugo Lilja, Sweden

A three-way encounter could lead to a new opportunity - or a dead end.

Deep Down Ballet (Jetzt Aber Ballet) - Isabell Suba, Germany

Is it a game or is it a training exercise? For a group of women in the German wilderness, a sexy and dangerous operation might have unexpected results.

Deep End - Bretten Hannam, Canada

A young swimming pool attendant is confronted with the fact that his older brother has come out of the closet to the slurs, taunts and dismay of the younger boy's friends, family and associates.

Dik - Christopher Stollery, Australia

A six-year-old boy brings home a piece of schoolwork that provokes his parents into questioning his sexual orientation - and their own.

Double Parked (Doble fila) - Olaf González Schneeweiss, Spain

A Spanish lesbian couple bring new meaning to the term doubleparked. After Empar's accident, her wife Maribel rushes to her hospital bedside where she meets Alicia, who is also there to comfort the patient.

Easy Money (Dinero Fácil) - Caros Montero Castiñeira, Spain

Jaime, a sexy novice male prostitute, arrives at a hotel room for his first trick of the night. It doesn't take long for Jaime to realize that the customer is requesting a completely different kind of service: murder. What appears to be a simple misunderstanding becomes even more complicated after a knock at the door.

Eggs - Mark Zanin, Canada

Ray and his straight roommate Nora talk about their respective sex lives and how not only their parents, but society as well, are pressuring them to settle down and start families.

Fresh Air Therapy 2 (Frischluft-Therapie 2) - Christoph Scheermann, Germany

Kerstin and Petra, two women in the prime of their lives, return to couples therapy. But their relationship is not the only problem. For a role-play exercise, the therapist wants them to spend a night in a hotel. At the hotel they soon find out they're not alone.

Fuckbuddies - Juanma Carrillo, Spain

Two men meet up at lunchtime for some fast backseat action, but the money shot may not be as expected.

Fucking Ageing - John Joseph Sinnot, Canada

The beginnings of a coming-of-age tale is turned on its head.

The Girl Bunnies: BIG TREE – Françoise Doherty, Canada

Mimi and her chainsaw accidentally slice through a really cute girl-bunny's tree. With the help of a hockey stick, two hockey girls and a big deer, Mimi figures out her heart. Songwriter-filmmaker Françoise Doherty brings us her latest in the *Girl Bunny* series.

Half Share - Sean Hanley and Jesse Archer, USA

Half-Share? Quarter-Share? Men who impersonate Cher? The gays on Fire Island speak a different language and for newbie Mac it's way more than a mouthful! Fresh out of a 14-year relationship, masculine Mac packs his emotional baggage for a summer share. What he envisions as relaxing, reflective beachtime quickly turns into high camp hysteria.

The Hawker - Elisha Lim and Coco Riot, Canada

"When I was a kid in Singapore, the same person served me chicken rice every day. I didn't know if that person was a man or a woman, and that was awesome."

Homo Noeticus - Kiel "May" Longboat, Canada 2012

Exploring a transition away from gender, sex and the body towards a spirit consciousness, this performance piece within an art film—a trans/queer manifesto for the new humanity called *homo noeticus*—is the next step in queer evolution.

It Matters - Brenna Main and Shonah Burns, Canada

This film looks into the struggles that gay youth face today, and to let people know that it is okay to be whoever we are because...it matters.

IYA MI KU YEO/death ate my mother - Morgan M. Page, Canada

Between life and death, a trans woman calls the spirits to ask her mother's ghost for advice.

James Dean - Lucy Asten Elliott, Scotland

A family outing takes an unexpected turn when young Alex is forced to share her secret.

Just Friends - Chris Dupuis, Canada

Four guys, one question. The answer? Just friends.

Kiss - Mark Pariselli, Canada

An experimental reinterpretation of Andy Warhol's 1962 silent short film of the same name, *Kiss* transforms an expression of love and desire into a political protest.

The Kiss - Ashlee Page, Australia

Returning home through the scrub after a night out, two teenage girls seek respite from the stifling heat. Fuelled by cheap alcohol and teenage hormones, they make their way to an isolated water tank. Once inside the tank the intimate mood takes a dangerous turn.

Lady Pochoir - Petra Clever, Germany

By day, Yv is a responsible bike courier. By night, she becomes Lady Pochoir, graffiti artist. Lady Pochoir catches the eye of Lexi, an art publisher, and Yv's life is about to become as big an adventure as her nighttime forays—everything she's dreamed of finally within reach.

Lament (Lamúria) - Nathan Cirino, Brazil

Bruno is assigned the task of composing a poem for his literature class. The construction of his verses runs through a journey of self-investigation in an attempt to declare his feelings for his teacher.

Let's Talk about HIV - Dejana Duncan, Canada 2012

An exploration of the diverse thoughts, opinions and reactions that gay youth have about HIV, this video explores topics of dating, relationships, disclosure, and much more.

Lust Life - Lynda Tarryk, USA

Madeleine, caught between a painful past and an uncertain future, must come to terms with the loss of her lover, Claire. Making her way through Paris, Madeleine follows Aubrie, a beautiful and elusive woman who happens to work at the café below Madeleine's apartment.

The Man That Got Away - Trevor Anderson, Canada

In six original songs, this musical documentary tells the true-life story of filmmaker Trevor Anderson's great-uncle Jimmy.

Winner of DAAD Short Film Prize at Berlin Film Festival 2012

Manhunt (Chasse A L'Homme) - Stéphane Olijnyk, France

Gavras is a soldier in the Special Intervention Unit, tracking a terrorist in the woods. Catching him was the easy part; it's the hike back to base camp that thrusts this manhunt into a tense game of power plays and domination.

Morning - Olive-or-Oliver, Canada

Getting out of the house is hard for this trauma-ridden queer.

Narcissus - Coral Short, Canada

A trans man notices himself in a mirror, becomes transfixed and starts flirting, culminating in a passionate kiss. Self-reflection becomes self-acceptance.

Next Door (Nebenan) - Luise Brinkmann, Germany

In this lesbian flat share, everyone has a secret and not every roommate is privy to what's going on next door....

No Clothes - Hugo Kenzo, USA

Alan is doing his weekly wash in a laundromat at night. Among all the weirdos he finds Joseph, an attractive guy who seems to be really into him.

No Direction - Melissa Finell, USA

No Direction is a comedy about a girl, her GPS, and her misguided attempts to navigate the road ahead.

Ostia: The Final Night (Ostia - La Notte Finale) - Craig Boreham, Australia

In November 1975, the body of Italian filmmaker, Pier Paolo Pasolini, was found badly beaten and run over in a deserted lot near the town of Ostia, Italy. His car was later found, its driver a 17-year-old hustler. *Ostia - The Final Night* is the story of what really happened.

Out of Bounds - Nicholas Paul Ybarra, USA

Rose and Samantha are in love and on the cusp of moving in together. One problem: Rose is still in the closet and is hiding her relationship from her conservative mother.

THE POWER WITHIN - Jeff Joachim Schmidt, Canada

An older gay male comes to terms with his sexuality and turns a rocky past into a productive, healthy gay life style.

Progress - Jeff Tanaka, Canada

"Progress is a statement that acknowledges the many acts of erasure that sustain and drive my existence in this country."

Prora - Stéphane Riethauser, Switzerland

In a deserted former Nazi holiday camp and communist military complex on the Baltic Sea, teens Jan and Matthieu embark on an adventure that confronts their identities and puts their friendship at risk. Prora is a thrilling, tender story about love and friendship.

Pura Vida - Anders Hazelius, Sweden

Two middle-aged men from different social environments meet, and a tragic love story begins.

Putting the "I" in Trans - Steen Starr, Canada

In response to some insightful coverage in the *Toronto Star*, community members are asked for their views on a long-neglected aspect of identity.

Quiet - Lauren Fash, USA

After a traumatic accident leaves Sam in a coma, her wife Ali must lie to hospital staff in order to stay by Ali's bedside.

Requited - Sal Bardo, USA

Years after they had a falling out, Nicolas struggles to decide whether or not to go to the wedding of his high school best friend, Aaron, with whom he's always been secretly in love.

Roommates - Caitlin Parker, USA

Pablo faces a dilemma of unrequited love for someone who doesn't suspect his feelings - his roommate.

The Seder - Justin Kelly, Canada

Leo brings his new boyfriend home to his family's Seder dinner.

Seeking Simone - Naomi Jaye, Canada

This critically acclaimed web series exposes those really awkward moments in online dating. From the glamour of the Canadian red carpet to the horror of a fan-gone wrong, Simone and her pushy best friend Audrey navigate the queer dating waters with their usual panache - and plenty of gin.

Seven Sins: Greed - Jamie Travis, Canada 2011

A young couple sing a musical lamentation of the unshared bagel that ended their relationship. Part of the Seven Sins Project.

Short of Breath (Husk meg i morgen) - Aasne Vaa Greibrokk, Norway

Short of Breath describes a meeting between two people, each lost in her own way. Jenny, 17, has been raised by her grandmother in a small village on the northern outskirts of Norway. Mia, 40, a German choreographer, has come in search of inspiration for her new piece.

Slut: The Musical - Tonnette Stanford, Australia

Slut: The Musical is a spectacular gay love story filled with glorious 1980s fashion, high-energy dance numbers, clouds of glitter and a heaping helping of fries.

Something Blue - Rebekah Fortune, UK

While a family prepares for their eldest daughter's wedding, one family member struggles to claim his true identity.

Still Here - Alex Camirelli, USA

New York City native Randy Baron has been infected with HIV for 30 years, and is therefore an inadvertent witness to the AIDS epidemic. Today, he has given his life new meaning by working to help prevent the spread of the disease that has devastated his life and the lives of his friends.

Teens Like Phil - Dominic Haxton, USA

Two gay teens struggle to come to terms with their repressed sexuality, resulting in tragic consequences.

The Time in Between (Tiden imellom) - Henrik Martin K. Dahlsbakken, Norway

Inspired by the secret relationship between the famous Norwegian poet, Gunvor Hofmo, and a talented young Jew, Ruth Maier, *The Time In Between* tells the story of a forbidden relationship between two girls who are inevitably torn apart.

Time Out - Rikhil Bahadur, UK

Time Out is a story about a 13-year-old boy, curious about his newfound attraction to girls, who looks to his brother and his friends for advice, but learns an unexpected life lesson.

Tord and Tord (Tord och Tord) - Niki Lindroth von Bahr, Sweden

In this animated fable, Tord accidentally enters the apartment next to his own where a man, also named Tord, has just moved in. Tord and Tord start hanging out together and soon a special bond develops between the pair.

Transforming Family - Rémy Huberdeau, Canada

A conversation-starter about the experiences of trans parents and their kids.

TRANSITIONS - Genady Gavleshov, Canada

A person finds the courage to change his life in two fundamental ways: honouring his true self as he transitions from married

priest to openly gay atheist, and respecting the transition of his transgender son.

Tsuyako - Mitsuyo Miyazaki, Japan/USA

During postwar Japan, Tsuyako lives a demanding life as mill worker, obedient wife, and loving mother. When an old female lover, Yoshie, pays a surprise visit, she reignites a passion in Tsuyako - one that Tsuyako has repressed and has kept hidden since their separation.

Uniformed (Uniformadas) - Irene Zoe Alameda, Spain

Margaret is an observant young girl, aware of the constant messaging that tells her how to fulfill society's gender roles. But Margaret has an announcement to make that will prove she is not afraid to break the mold.

Water Wells - Iyar Dyoman and Sivan Levy, Israel

Water Wells is a forbidden love story between a teacher, Lea, and her female student, Inka, set in 1940s Israel. As time goes by, Inka yearns to push more boundaries, while Lea's fears of being revealed begin to surface.

We Once Were Tide - Jason Bradbury, UK

Set on a rural island off the south coast of England, *We Once Were Tide* tells the story of Anthony and Kyle and their last night together as Kyle prepares to move away and leave Anthony alone to look after his dependent mother.

What's in a Name? - Ben Kullerd and Caitlin Lundin, USA

Four transgender residents of Austin, Texas share intimate stories about their gender transitions and chosen names.

Where We Were Not Part 1: Feeling Reserved, Alexis' Story - Jessica MacCormack, Canada

This story illuminates the strength and courage women possess, as well as the oppressive conditions that define them.

The Wilding - Grant Scicluna, Australia

Malcolm and Tye are in love. Their relationship, however, must be confined within the four walls of their cell in a juvenile detention centre. When Malcolm is offered a shot at parole, his actions inadvertently mark Tye as a target. As the bullying escalates, Malcolm is torn between his chance for freedom and protecting the one he loves.

XY Anatomy of a Boy - Mette Carla Albrechtsen, Denmark

Can you be a virgin, gay, and into girls? *XY Anatomy of a Boy* is a fascinating and intimate study of six homosexual boys who talk freely with one another in the very place where uncertainties and embarrassment of youth emerge - the locker-room.

About Inside Out

Inside Out presents the annual Toronto LGBT Film and Video Festival, with financial support from Presenting Sponsor, RBC. It is the largest event of its kind in Canada and entertains cinema buffs of all stripes, showcasing the best and most diverse films by, for and of interest to LGBT communities. For 11 days, the Festival draws crowds of more than 32,500 to screenings, artist talks, panel discussions, installations and parties that showcase more than 175 films and videos from Canada and around the world. In addition, Inside Out is committed to challenging attitudes and changing lives year-round through the exhibition, production and promotion of LGBT film with initiatives including annual festivals in Toronto and Ottawa, educational programs including the Queer Video Mentorship Project and the Mark S. Bonham Scholarship, and fall/winter screening series.

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