

BLACK RABBIT



FILM FESTIVAL

UNM FDMA Capstone 2024

May 9th & 10th

SWFC & Rodey Theater

Program

NM FILM & DIGITAL ARTS



THURSDAY, MAY 9TH, 2024

SWFC

RODEY THEATER

Doors Open: 1:30 PM

ANIMATION BLOCK
2:00-3:30 PM

The Story of Doke-Rana
Supernova Cafe
By Tooth and Maw
Forget Me Not
Jaula
A Doctor's Tragedy
A Special Presentation
of Guest Animations
Night Revelation
Unboxed
Dimensionz

Intermission
3:30-4:00 PM

BLOCK B
4:00-5:25 PM

Contingency
Bottom Out
By Tooth & Maw
Bugman
LaneyBug
The Waiting Room

Intermission
5:25-5:45 PM

BLOCK F
5:45-6:50 PM

Infinity
Felinity
Silent Courage
Forget Me Not
Rebirth
Wanna Play a Game?

Intermission
6:50-7:10 PM

BLOCK D
7:10-8:40 PM

Imogen
Just a Thief
Julieta
Noche Oscura

Doors Open: 4:30 PM

BLOCK C
5:00-6:00 PM

Jasper Reed
Realization
RUN! RABBIT! RUN!
Miss Wonderland
Fear

Intermission
6:00-6:20 PM

BLOCK E
6:20-8:00 PM

Yafa
Bread
Runaround
GoldFish
Screentime
Goatheads

Intermission
8:00-8:20 PM

BLOCK A
8:20-10:00 PM

Gutters and Glory
The Burn
Doughboy
What Kind of NDN
Are You?
An Andy Chapter
The Garden

FRIDAY, MAY 10TH, 2024

SWFC

Doors Open:
4:00 PM

BLOCK A-C-E
4:45-9:50 PM

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RUN! RABBIT!
RUN!

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No Intermission

Gaming Showcase:
5:00-8:00 PM in the
SUB Atrium

Potionshop: Gone
Astray

RODEY THEATER

Doors Open: 5:30 PM

BLOCK D
6:00-7:30 PM

The Story of
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Intermission
7:30-7:50 PM

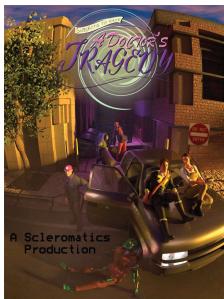
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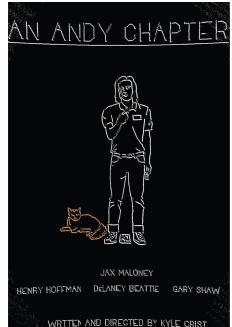


A Doctor's Tragedy

PG-13

In the midst of a drug epidemic, the tragedy of death haunts a Doctor who vows to bring back his sister, though that very epidemic seeks to destroy the Doctor's cure.

Director: Frederico Austin



An Andy Chapter

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, intense graphic violence, and drug abuse.

Andy, an addict whose quitting journey has been feeble, faces the comically absurd and ends up finding support in unexpected places.

Director: Kyle Crist

Bottom Out

PG - 13

Two insecure jocks attempt a bold escape from the underestimated woman they've robbed, while festering a mutually-assured sexual tension that threatens to boil over.

Director: Trin Moody
"A queer-centric short that explores the mysterious interconnection of hypermasculinity and homoeroticism when things really get heated. Our queer-dominant cast and crew are what will bring these themes to light."

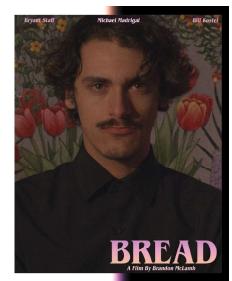
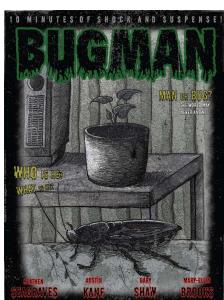


Bugman

Rated - R: Contains adult themes and harsh language.

A misunderstood and isolated transgender teenager takes revenge upon his unaccepting parents.

Director: Jackson Higgins

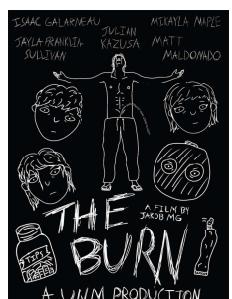


Bread

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Dark comedy short follows a heartbroken young man as he delves into betrayal, concealed truths, and family complexities.

Director: Brandon McLamb

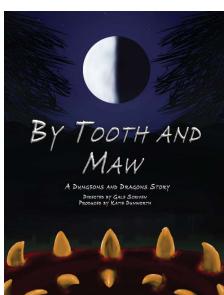


The Burn

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence.

A hapless 20-something film student has been the secondary character of his life, his whole life. That's until one fateful day, he's called into work, only to find a mysterious masked man robbing it. Will he let this ridiculous day pass, like all others, or finally take the reins once and for all?

Jakob Marston-Galarza - "s/o to the Cheba hut uptown crew"

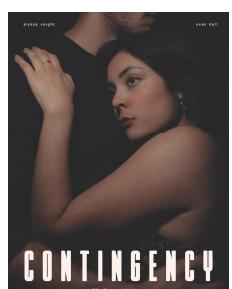


By Tooth and Maw

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A family's lives are torn apart as a caring parent comes face to face with a horror beyond their comprehension.

Director: Gale Scriven - "Takes direct inspiration from Dungeons and Dragons"

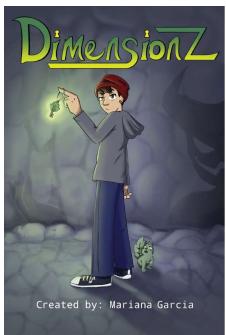


Contingency

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While dealing with an abusive partner Jadyn becomes stuck in a violent situation when she finds out she is pregnant.

Director: Maya Dominguez - "We are so happy and thankful to everyone who made this film possible! We are so happy to share it with the world!"



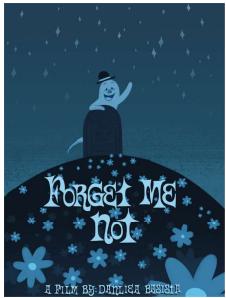
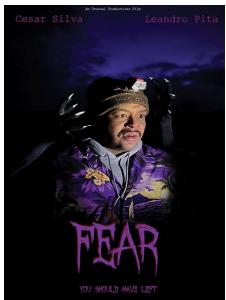
Dimensionz

PG

In a fateful encounter, Ivan, a courageous 16-year-old, finds himself trapped in an unforgiving forest, drawn to a mysterious cave that holds a secret that should've stayed hidden.
Director: Mariana Garcia

Fear

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence.
You Should Have Left
Director: Gaege Sosa



Forget Me Not

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An lonely ghost sets out to find an empty gravestone in order not to be forgotten in a cemetery packed with interesting and eclectic spirits.

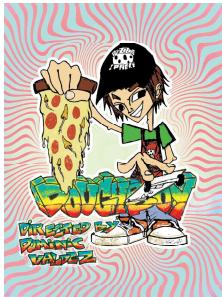
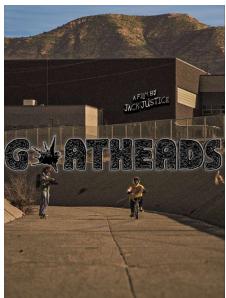
Director: Daniela Basista

Goatheads

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, intense graphic violence, and drug abuse.

A coming-of-age Albuquerque story about the Ditchgoon skate crew. A visceral adventure in a search to figure out what happened during a crazy party...

Director: Jack Brown
“Goatheads was written after recovering from a skateboarding accident that ended with a craniotomy... ABQ helped me come back from that. I want to show what that experience is like for any kid trying to make it out of the ditch.”



Doughboy

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and drug abuse.

Two burntout employees at a locally renowned pizza joint decide to bake a psychedelic mushroom pizza on the clock. When their manager accidentally hands it to a mom and her two small children, the trio must retrieve the pizza before it's too late, or their reputation will be ruined for good.
Director: Dom Valdez



Felinity

PG

When a painting mysteriously appears in his apartment one morning, he is thrust into a mystery surrounding what it is to be a vessel for the creative spirit. Max is assisted by his friend Grey as they discover how Max's cat Rutabaga may be the solution to this mysterious painting as well as his guide into the spiritual world of art and creativity.
Director: Matt Pszyk - “Got cool puppets”



The Garden

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, and harsh language. In primordial times God and his angel Uriel struggle with the creation of time and space and the aftermath of accidentally creating humans by heating up Styrofoam in the microwave.

Director: Ted Rivera



Goldfish

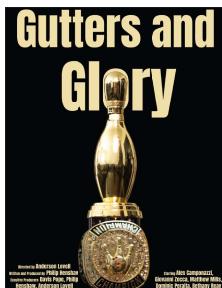
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Freshly heartbroken, 16-year-old Darren Williams must confront lingering feelings before saying goodbye to his best friend.

Director: Bryant Staff



Gutters & Glory



Rated - R: Contains adult themes, and harsh language. After a devastating loss in last years tournament, now senior captain of the bowling club puts together an unenthusiastic new team to compete again."

Writer: Philip Henshaw - (we love everyone)

Imogen

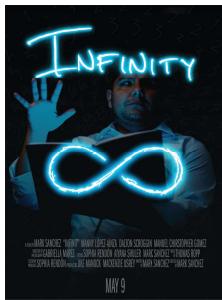
Rated - R: Contains adult themes, and harsh language; TRIGGER WARNING: Flashing.

When a group of delinquents inadvertently unleashes an evil spirit, they must unearth its intentions and find a path to survival. If that path even exists.

Director: Brayden Palmer



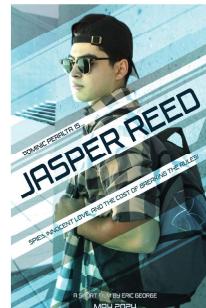
Infinity



Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence.

A NASA intern who recently lost his mother steals a piece of technology that he hopes can help him see her again.

Director: Mark Sanchez



Jasper Reed

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, and intense graphic violence.

A rookie spy, Jasper Reed, becomes enamored by a civilian which compromises his first mission.

Director: Eric George

Jaula

PG

A Man seeks freedom while admiring a Dove who has it all.

Director: Edder Bravo-Lozano



Just a Thief

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, and intense graphic violence.

An ex-con breaks into his brother's home in an attempt to steal a painting created by their recently deceased mother.

Director: Marcus Bratton

"Thanks to the whole cast and crew, everyone did a great job!"



Julieta

PG - 13

After losing his mom, Ian's sudden encounter with Julieta — a fictional Mexican soap opera character mysteriously incarnated — opens his eyes to the beauties of life

Director: Jose-Carlo Martinez

Laneybug

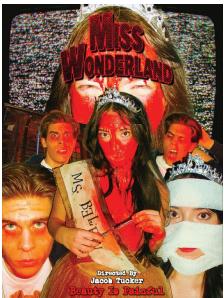
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Director: DeLaney Beattie

"The interviews showcased of the puppets use the audio from real documented interviews conducted by DeLaney Beattie. Those interviewed are Viola Ardiuni, Jack Brown, and Mike and Michelle DenBleyker."

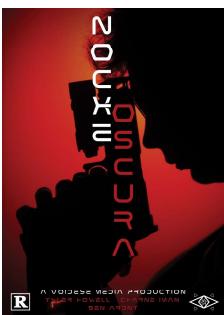


Miss Wonderland



Rated - R: Contains adult themes and intense graphic violence; TRIGGER WARNING: Self-harm. Childhood innocence morphs into adult obsession when a VHS tape from a girl's past resurfaces, leading to a harrowing struggle with self-image and love's expectations. As she confronts the painful realities, she learns that beauty is indeed painful.
Director: Jacob Tucker

Noche Oscura



Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence. A young street kid criminal turned cybernetically enhanced detective, JC Howell becomes one of the best detectives on the force, despite his young age. While investigating a bizarre murder, an old enemy is revealed, sending him on a quest for revenge.
Director: Ryuichiro Morgan

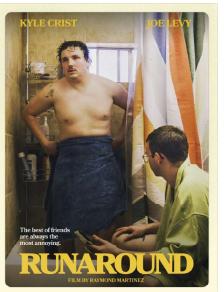
Realization



Realization

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence. A high school girl breaks free from an abusive relationship to embrace her true self.
Director: Henry Hidalgo

Runaround



Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, intense graphic violence, and drug abuse. Two friends look to make a quick buck when they stumble upon a mysterious bag radiating a bright light from its contents. Now the target of dangerous pursuers, their bond is put to the test.
Director: Raymond Martinez

Night Revelation - Pitch Deck

After discovering her employer's sinister involvement in her sister's kidnapping, a corporate executive must embrace her old criminal life to rescue her sister.

Director: Corey Fong

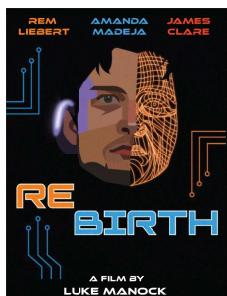
Potion shop: Gone Astray - GAME



Delve into brewing special potions, and explore unique realms in search of your ingredients.

Programmers: Christopher DeBonis, Alexander Atencio, Abran Saenz, Emely Torres, Chase Hartley, Malachi Pena, Alexis Rivera, Elijah Gonzales, Matthias Abasumoh

Rebirth



Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence. When a thief discovers himself, he must come to terms with his new reality.
Director: Luke Manock
"Man-Robot angry"

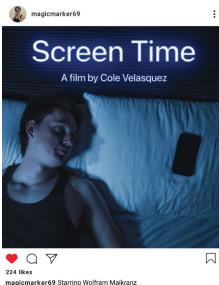
RUN! RABBIT! RUN!



Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence; TRIGGER WARNING: Suicide, self-harm, abuse, distressing images, blood, flashing.

Cracks begin to form in the grieving family of a repressed father, who uses a VHS Camcorder to document his declining sanity and romantic obsession with his best friend.

Director: Sophie Carlberg



Screen Time

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, and harsh language.

Mark is passionately in love with his phone until his addiction turns into a crisis, setting him on a self-reflective journey in the real world.

Director: Cole Velasquez

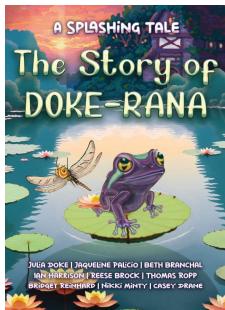


Silent Courage

PG

A high-school boy faces his insecurities about his deafness at his school's winter dance.

Director: Matt Bacher



The Story of DOKE-RANA

PG

Through the miraculous process of metamorphosis, A dimpled tadpole-turned-frog and nymph-turned-dragonfly experience connection, loss, revenge, and the overall circle of life.

Director: Julia Doke



The Waiting Room

PG-13

When Florence finds herself in a purgatory shaped like a waiting room, she must learn to forgive or face eternal damnation.

Director: Rylee Norman

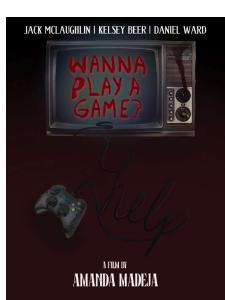


What Kind of NDN are You?

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence.

A young indigenous man transitions from life on the Rez to college. He grapples with balancing his traditional identity and his newly forming urban identity.

Director: Edward Shije



Wanna Play a Game?

Rated - R: Contains adult themes, harsh language, and intense graphic violence.

When an obsessed gamer downloads a new game he must follow the rules to survive the night.

Director: Amanda Madeja - "That mask scares wendy"



Yafa

PG - 13

Palestinian college student navigating life amid Occupation's challenges

Director: Fatima Adawee

Students & Roles

Abran Saenz - Programmer, Story and Narrative Development, Game Designer, Tech Artist, Sound Designer, UI/UX

Alexander Atencio - Maze Lead Level Designer, Social Media Manager, Game Designer

Alexis Rivera - 3D Character Modeler & Designer, 2D Artist, Texture Artist

Amanda Madeja - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Script Supervisor, Art Department, Gold Fish Wrangler, Voice Actor, Production Assistant

Anderson Lovell - Director, Producer, Editor, Camera-Operator, Assistant Camera, C-Stand

Angelique D. Romero - Unit Production Manager, BRFF Program Designer, Producer, Marketing Manager

Anna Hawkins - Producer, Production Supervisor, Script Supervisor, Art Director, Set Decoration, Production Assistant

Anthony Nguyen - Producer, Co-Editor, Storyboard Artist, Stop-Motion Modeler and Color Corrector

Brandon McLamb - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Director of Photography, Editor, Colorist, Sound Mixer, Sound Editor, Boom Operator, Steady Camera Operator, Assistant Camera, Actor

Brayden Palmer - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Assistant Director, Assistant Camera, Actor

Bryant Staff - Director, Screenwriter, Director of Photography, Camera-Operator, Set Decorator, Makeup Artist, Actor

Cesar Silva - Script Supervisor, Actor, Production Assistant

Chase Hartley - 3D Character Modeling & Rigging, 2D Artist

Christopher DeBonis - Lead Programmer, BRFF Website Designer, 3D Modeler, Game Designer

Cole Velasquez - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Production Designer, Set Decorator, Actor, Production Assistant

Collette Wilson - Producer, Script Supervisor, Actor, Production Assistant

Corey Fong - Animator, Rigger, Modeler

Daniela Basista - Animator, BRFF Program Designer, Director, Screenwriter, Storyboard Artist, Set Construction, Set Decoration, Puppeteer, Actor, Production Assistant

Davin Lee - Director of Photography, VFX Artist, Colorist

Davis Pope - Producer, Sound Editor, Sound Mixer, Assistant Camera, BTS Photographer

DeLaney Beattie - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Prop Master, Costumer, Puppeteer, Actor, Voice Actor

Dominic Valdez - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Director of Photography, Co-Editor, Camera Operator, Assistant Camera, Gaffer, Grip, Costume & Wardrobe, Props Master, Stills Photographer

Dominic Montez - Producer, Editor, Sound Designer, Voice Actor

Dominic Peralta - Screenwriter, Producer, Assistant Director, Assistant Camera, Grip, Actor

Edder Bravo-Lozano - Animator, Director, Screenwriter, Editor, Compositor, Storyboard Artist, Art Director, Modeler



Students & Roles

Edward Shije - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Director of Photography, Editor, AC, Camera-Operator, Actor

Elijah Gonzales - 3D Modeling, 2D Artist

Ellisif Leishman - Producer

Emely Torres - Executive Producer, Story and Narrative Development, Lead Designer

Eric George - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Sound Designer, Camera Operator, Assistant Camera

Fatima Adawee - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Sound Editor, Sound Mixer, Boom Operator, Actor

Frederico Austin - Animator, Director, Screenwriter, Editor, Modeler

Gabriela Quezada - Producer, Casting Director, Production Assistant

Gaege Sosa - Director, Producer, Screenwriter, **Locations Manager**, Script Supervisor, Grip, Wildcard, Actor, Production Assistant

Gale Scriven - Animator, Director, Screenwriter, Editor, Character Artist, Background Artist, Sound Designer, Voice Director, Voice Actor

Henry Hidalgo - Director, Screenwriter, Director of Photography, Editor, Colorist, Assistant Camera

Jack Justice Brown - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, **Casting Director**, Assistant Director, Locations, **SAG Actor**

Jackson Higgins - Director, Screenwriter, Co-Producer, Colorist, Sound Mixer, Boom Operator, Assistant Camera, Costume Designer, Puppeteer, Production Assistant

Jacob Tucker - Director, Screenwriter, Sound, Boom Operator

Jacqueline Palicio - Producer, Marketing & Promotion, Modeler, Voice Actor, Craft Services

Jakob Marston-Galarza - Director, Screenwriter, CO- Cinematographer, Editor, Graphic Designer

Jasmine Nzekwe - Animator, Producer, Modeler

Jonathan Titcomb - Animator, Concept Artist

Jose-Carlo Martinez - Director, Screenwriter, Director of Photography, Editor, Actor

Julia Doke - Animator, Director, Screenwriter, Storyboard Artist, Modeler, Rigger

Julia Kirby - Producer, Art Director, Puppeteer, Production Assistant

Kara McGee-Russell - Producer, Sound Designer, Boom Operator

Katherine Dunworth - Animator, Producer, Character Artist, Background Artist

Kyle Crist - Director, Screenwriter, Grip, Actor, Dancer, Merry Prankster

Laura Olona - Producer, Assistant Camera, Puppeteer, Props

Luke Manock - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Colorist, Post-Sound Mixer, Sound Editor, Sound Designer, Sound Mixer, Boom Operator, Costume Designer, Grip



Students & Roles

Mackenzie Usrey - Producer, Character Designer, Prop Designer, Puppeteer

Malachi Pena - Lead Artist & Animator, 2D Environmental Artist, 3D Modeling

Marcus Bratton - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, Composer, Assistant Director, Assistant Camera, Grip, Actor, Production Assistant

Mariana Garcia - Animator, Director, Screenwriter, Storyboard Artist, Sound Effect Artist, Graphic Designer

Mariana Souza Silva De Oliveira - Art Director, Costume Designer, Hair and Make-up, SFX Make-up, Production Assistant

Mark Sanchez - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Editor, VFX Editor, DIT, Actor, Graphic Designer, Prop Designer, Stills Photographer

Matt Bacher - Unit Production Manager, Director, Screenwriter, Director of Photography, Editor, Assistant Camera, Camera Operator, Jib Operator, SteadiCamera Operator

Matthew Pszyk - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Director of Photography, Editor, Assistant Director

Matthias Abasumoh - 2D Artist, Texturing, Tileset Design

Maya Dominguez - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, DIT, Assistant Director, Intimacy Coordinator

Megan Menetrey - Animator, Director, Screenwriter, Storyboard Artist

Michael Madrigal - Black Rabbit Social Media Manager, Editor, DIT, Assistant Director, Script Supervisor, Key Grip, Grip, Boom Operator, Actor, Production Assistant

Mikaela Martinez - Animator, Producer, Modeler

Nicklas Venhuizen - Editor, Colorist, VFX Artist, Camera Assistant, Prop Designer,

Olivia Sim - Director, Producer, Colorist, Graphic Artist, Production Designer

Philip Henshaw - Producer, Screenwriter, Assistant Camera, Grip

Raymond Martinez - Director, Screenwriter, Director of Photography, Editor, Colorist, **Camera Consultant**, Steady Camera Operator, Assistant Camera

Rylee Norman - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Director of Photography, Editor, Assistant Director, Art Director, Stills Photographer, **Executive Director of SWFC**

Ryuichiro Morgan - Director, Screenwriter, Producer, Director of Photography, Editor, VFX Artist, Assistant Camera, Prop & Costume Development

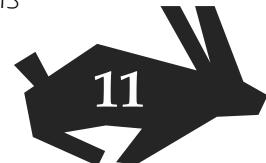
Sophia Thompson-Arispe - Editor, DIT, Production Assistant

Sophie Carlberg - Director, Screenwriter, Editor, SFX Artist, Script Supervisor, Costume, Art Department, Graphic Designer, Actor

Ted Rivera - Director, Screenwriter, Editor, Gaffer, Key Grip, Stills Photographer

Trin Moody - Director, Screenwriter

Trung Luu - Animator, Editor

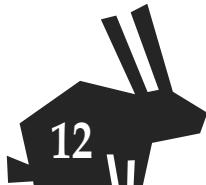


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And to you!