

## Happy Endings Newsletter

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Hello.

We've got a lot of news for you this time round, and some of it is really quite exciting!

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As seems to be happening pretty much every month at the moment, we'll be heading to a festival that is clearly our biggest yet. In September, there's a festival called Nordisk Panorama, which is the largest annual short and documentary film festival in Scandinavia. It rotates between five cities (one in each of the five Scandinavian countries), and is in Oulu, which is quite far up in Finland, this year. 'Recognize Myself' will be one of just 15 films in the 'New Nordic Voices' programme (the name is pretty self-explanatory). There's about 70 films in the festival as a whole, out of 565 entries. Just to give an idea of exactly how big this is, one of the 70 is a short by Lars von Trier... They're even paying for a nice hotel and stuff for us as well. Now all we have to do is to work out how to get to the top of Finland.

The festival has a nice <u>site</u> for you to look at if it rains outside.

Lots and lots of lovely press...

We've been on holiday recently, but that doesn't mean we've been lazy. During our stay in Sweden, we've been hassling the press there until they've given us some coverage - in three newspapers (and that's just the ones we know about). If you read the last paragraph, then you've got a fairly good idea of the stories, since they printed out our press release pretty much word-for-word. This will mean nothing to you if you're not Swedish, but the result was a quarter-page in Dala Demokraten, a small story in Uppsala Nya Tidning, and a full page in Borlänge Tidning, which includes photos of a 7 year old Eva-Marie from an earlier article. Heh heh. (And as you might have guessed, 'Tidning' means 'Newspaper'.)

To read the Dala Demokraten article, go  $\underline{\text{here}}$ .

## ...And now with even more festivals!

Recognize Myself has a bigger festival line-up then ever this autumn. It begun on Aug 3 with BuSho (Budapest Short Film Fstival) - which, yes, we have mentioned before (sorry to repeat ourselves) - See below for link to their website with more info about them. Following BuSho is London's Portobello Film Festival. Here we don't compete for an award - only for exposure. The Video Cafe works like a jukebox where the audience picks the films they want to watch. If you're a Londoner who still hasn't seen it the this is your best (and last?) opportunity! Just go down to In On The Green (3 Thorpe Close, W10. Ladbroke Grove tube or bus 52, 70, 295 and 23) between 8 and 11pm on either Thursday Aug 9 or Friday Aug 10. Try to make it down, ask for the film and give us your support! Sadly we probably won't be able to make the evenings, mainly because we don't want to seem like PFGs (Portobello Film Geeks), but if you end up going down then please let us know how it went down and who was brownnosing who, etc, etc...

After that it's time for Recognize Myself to go global and to visit Atlanta for its US premiere at the Atlanta Underground Film Festival. We're in the International competition. Thank you Louise for recommending the festival and a big Thanks to Kia as well for finding out and telling us about this, as we still hadn't heard a thing from the festival. A confused guy finally replied to our email thinking he'd already emailed us. We feel a bit nervous about this screening... Especially since we won't be able to make it to this festival either!! (Thanks Louise for your offer though!)

Lastly, Recognize Myself will be shown, for some reason, at the International Film Festival of Lifestyle at Tisza Mozi in Hungary (again!). We really don't have a clue what relevance the film has to this festival, since most of the films seem to be nature documentaries, and since the festival is for films that "help(s) human development, improvement of moral and ethic state, and the protection of nature and environment". Even so, we won't be complaining.

Visit BuSho's wbsite here.

For more information about Portobello Film Festival go to  $\underline{\textbf{this website}}$ .

To visit Atlanta Underground Film Festival on the Internet click <a href="here">here</a>.

Last but not least, Tisza Mozi's website is **here**.

In other news

We are moving to Dalston next week sometime. So our website still isn't finished. Either send us a message to our **myspace** or email us on **info@happyendingsproductions.co.uk**.

That's all for now - need to get back to packing!

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