



Indie Film & Music Festival
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Wednesday, May 5th : Comedy Kickoff

Before we begin, loosen up with a wonderful performance from one of Southern Ontario's superb sketch and improv comedy troupe - **THE PLAYERS WITHOUT STRINGS** -. Watch as the hilarity ensues. // 15 min.

Location - The Synnema: Indie Club and Theatre, 121 Wyndham Street N. Unit 106, Guelph ON, N1H4E9

Set One:8:00pm

Run Granny Run! // Dir. Nikolaus von Uthmann // Germany // 5 min.

The famous Ben Hur chariot race - but this time it's two elderly ladies at their zimmerframes! A darkly funny comedy that proves you're never too old to be an action hero.

The Fourth Wall // Dir. Michael Gunn // U.S.A. // 6 min.

Two people trapped in a room must find their way out.

Juiced // Dir. Tom Brown // Canada // 5 min

Trials and tribulations of an orange trying to cope with the loss of it's family at the hands of an Apple.

Speed Dating // Dir. Jay Justin // Canada // 24 min

After Jack's fiancée abruptly dumps him, best friend Nick decides to help him mend his broken heart with a night out. Nick's plan: take Jack speed dating in the hope that talking to one beautiful woman after another will "bring back the old Jackass". Little do they know that the night will hold more than they bargained for.

Welcome back the **Players without Strings** for another round of sketch and improv. // 15 min.

Set Two: 9:30pm

Long Walk Home // Dir. Rob Langille // Canada // 5 min

After visiting a friend...a simple winter walk home goes from short to long.

The Tragedy of Henry J. Bellini // Dir. Martin Edralin // Canada // 11 min

After Henry is deserted by his wife, a TV talk show host persuades him to move on and look for love again. In an absurd twist of fate, he ends up finding more than he was searching for.

Sneaky Business // Dir. George Sanders, Shawn Curran // U.S.A. // 24 min

An Offshore Account of Human Trafficking---Broadway Style. On board the S.S. Hookacanuck, a green sock-puppet snake named 'Sneaky' smuggles singing New York City stowaways into Canada for basic Human Rights.

Thursday May 6th : Thursday Thriller

Join us at Guelph's indie Theatre "The Synnema" located at 121 Wyndham Street N., Guelph ON ~ UNIT 108 for an evening of thrills and chills.

Set One: 8:00 pm - Crime and Punishment

Pack of Pain // Dir. Pawel Regdosz // United Kingdom // 15 min

An exiled cop uncovers a governmental conspiracy to tackle the issue of population control in a radically inhumane way.

God's Acre // Dir. Alfredo Salvatore Arcilesi // Canada // 4 min

Having lived a life of religion, a man enters an interview that will justify or condemn his actions.

Suspect // Dir. Thom Smalley // United Kingdom // 14 min

Scott Ferguson is a dedicated cop who knows right from wrong - and something is definitely wrong with his latest case. As he works late into the night he is visited by a Special Investigations Agent, Mark Halliday, who claims he wants to help with the case. But as the night wears on and tiredness sets in, Scottie struggles to separate dream from reality and friend from foe. The question is, does he still know his right from wrong?

Reverie Three // Dir. Alfredo Salvatore Arcilesi // Canada // 30 min

All was fine between Foster and his adoptive parents until the day they gave birth to their own son.

Set Two: 9:30 pm - Funnies and Feature Presentation

Shnigg Shnugg Shnoock // Dir. Stephen-John Swierczyna // Germany // 1 min
The famous game, known in English as 'Scissors Rock Paper', taken to it's ultimate and violent extreme. One battle of the sexes, for sure.

Zombie Apocalypse // Dir. Adam A. Donaldson // Canada // 7 min

Two friends in a survivalist world learn the true definition of ghoul versus zombie...

Frozen // Dir. Adam Green // U.S.A. // 94 min

Three skiers are stranded on a chairlift and forced to make life-or-death choices that prove more perilous than staying put and freezing to death.

Friday May 7th : Freestyle Friday

Join us at Guelph's indie and exclusive jazz space "The Synnema" located at 121 Wyndham Street N., Guelph ON ~ UNIT 108 for an evening of open ended music sessions performed by a few fantastic musicians from around the world.

Set one: 8:00 pm

Zap Zap // Dir. Spencer Osborne // Canada // 5 min

The Ascot Royals have come together for a tale of two assassins stuck in an elevator.

Mysterious // Dir. Aaron Soch // Canada // 5 min

Hip Hop artist Nameless KX watches as a mysterious club scene plays out before his eyes.

Take the Show // Dir. Jay Molloy // Canada // 5 min

The Kitchen Party shows us how an easy flowing kitchen jam can simply relax a person.

The Stargazers // Dir. Kew Lin // Singapore // 25 min

An insecure young man, Mike, gets guidance from Twinkle, a star in the sky, to perform at the country's largest music concert and impress the girl of his dreams.

Guelph Improvised Music Series

The [Guelph Improvised Music Series](#) is a not-for-profit concert series that looks to bring the best in experimental, improvised, and creative music to the city of Guelph throughout the year. The series looks to challenge both artists and audiences to explore, expand, and

explode their aesthetic boundaries by encouraging on-the-spot collaboration, audience participation, and artist-led workshops in an attempt to create a welcoming creative atmosphere for all members of the community.

Saturday May 8th

SharpCuts Indie Film and Music Festival partners with Rendezvous to present a fun, interactive, and thought-provoking science journey through media. Enjoy some of the greatest – *and most disastrous* – science moments in film, groove to science-inspired acoustic sets from renowned musicians, and join maverick filmmakers and scientists for a lively debate about science in pop culture.

Date: *Saturday, May 8th, 2010*

Location: *The Bookshelf Cinema, 41 Quebec Street, Guelph Ontario*

Time: *12:00 noon - 1:30pm*

Intermission – 15 min

Saturday Showcase

Join us at [The Bookshelf Cafe](#) located at 41 Quebec St. Guelph, ON ~ for an afternoon of drama and documentary.

Set One: 1:45pm - Dramas

Wide Asleep // Dir. Joel Di Giacomo // Canada // 8 min

This is a short story of one woman's relationship to a man. Reality, imagination, and dreams lose their distinction as her inner world slowly envelops the narrative.

To the Wire // Dir. James C. Golden // Canada // 5 min

After Reggie electrocutes himself to death, Tom, Tommy and Jon have to find a unique and interesting way to bring him back from the dead.

Vengeance // Dir. James Golden // Canada // 8 min

At the old ruins to the death! The poetic bard who stands for passion and love will face the stalwart nobleman who stands for security and honor. Only one problem remains they are fighting over a rose that has long since wilted.

The 11:50 Club // Dir. Michael Martins // Canada // 15 min

Five students find themselves in the detention room. They decide to take matters into their own hands - the con is on.

An Autumn Stroll // Dir. Robin Gardiner Davids // Canada // 2 min

Young Ezra toddles into an autumn forest, unaware of what we will find along the way.

Remains // Dir. Michael Martins // Canada // 15 min

A mountain biker searches for the truth.

Set Two: 3:00pm - Docs

Heels on Wheels // Dir. Pablo Perez // Canada // 7 min

Heels On Wheels is an inside look at the women of the Tri-City Roller Derby, finding empowerment, camaraderie and self-expression through the sport.

Dear John // Mark Lammert // Canada // 30 min

Dear John is a documentary about the closure of Welland Ontario's oldest and leading industrial employer, Jon Deere Welland Works. Centred on the circumstances that caused such an event, the film examines the current recession, the forces behind the closure, and what a community struggling to stay afloat can do.

House of Horrors: Sharon Mariani's Nightmare // Dir. Henry Devries // Canada // 13 min

A short documentary on how a simple house inspection can prevent a major catastrophe.

Traveling Guru // Dir. Marjonneke Grech // Canada // 29 min

Fifteen Canadians follow "Traveling Guru" Darrol Bryant on a journey to discover India's ancient and modern sacred cultures.

Entourage: Indie // Dir. Thomas Gofton // Canada // 30 min

Five indie filmmakers make their mecca trek to the state of California in an attempt to brave the wonders of Hollywood, Burbank and Los Angeles. What success do they find?

Sunday May 9th

The Blended Film Challenge returns for its second successful year as high schoolers from around Guelph (and for the first time in 2010, beyond Guelph) compete to see who can make the best short film in only two weeks.

The genre picking kick off date is Friday, April 23rd at 7pm at [Synndicus Studios](#) located at [108-121 Wyndham Street North, Guelph ON, N1H4E9](#).

The finished films must be handed in to the above location by 7pm on Friday, May 7th. All successful submissions will screen on Sunday, May 9th, followed by the announcement of the Challenge's winners.

Location for the screening will be The Guelph Galaxy Cinema on 485 Woodlawn Road West Guelph, ON.

The time of the screenings will be 2:00pm - 4:00pm with a short presentation and awards ceremony to follow.

Contact thomas@synnstudios.ca for more information.



An all highschool film competition.

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