

34th CONNECTICUT LGBTQ FILM FESTIVAL

Potato Dreams of America



FRI. JUNE 4 • 7:30 PM

DIR. WES HURLEY • 2021 • 96 MIN.
USA • ENGLISH

OPENING
FEATURE

Dreaming of a better life, Lena becomes a mail-order bride so she and her gay son "Potato" can move to the U.S. But when they arrive in Seattle, they discover that America isn't what it looks like in the movies.

OPENING SHORT: *REPUGNANT*

Beyto



SAT. JUNE 5 • 7:30 PM

DIR. GITTA GSELL • 2020 • 98 MIN.
SWITZERLAND • SWISS GERMAN, TURKISH

Beyto is a hot, young, swimmer whose gay life in Switzerland is turned upside down when his traditional family lures him back to Turkey and forces him to marry a young woman from his village.

OPENING SHORT: *ARE WE HERE YET?*

No Ordinary Man

CENTER-PIECE



WED. JUNE 9 • 7:30 PM

DIR. AISLING CHIN-YEE & CHASE JOYNT • 2020
84 MIN. • CANADA • ENGLISH

The legacy of American jazz musician and trans icon Billy Tipton is brought to life by a diverse group of contemporary transgender artists in this groundbreaking film that honors an unlikely hero.

OPENING SHORT: *SOLE MIO*

Summer of 85



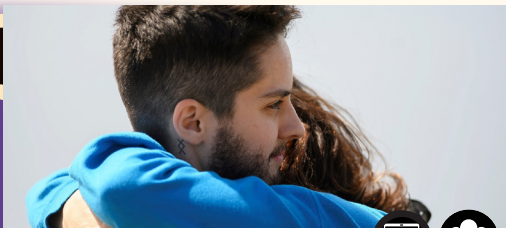
FRI. JUNE 11 • 7:30 PM

DIR. FRANÇOIS OZON • 2020 • 100 MIN.
FRANCE • FRENCH, ENGLISH

When David heroically saves Alexis from a boating disaster, Alexis thinks he has met the friend of his dreams. But jealousy, obsession and deception complicate their steamy dreamy affair.

OPENING SHORT: *THE FORGOTTEN PLACE*

A Good Man



SUN. JUNE 13 • 2:30 PM

DIR. MARIE-CASTILLE MENTION-SCHAAR • 2020
108 MIN. • FRANCE, BELGIUM • FRENCH

Aude and Benjamin desperately want to have a child together. When Aude is unable to conceive, the already transitioned Benjamin agrees to postpone his gender confirmation surgery and become pregnant.

OPENING SHORT: *NICKI*

Beautiful Dreamer



FRI. JUNE 4 • 7:30 PM

DIR. AMY GLAZER • 2020 • 94 MIN.
USA • ENGLISH

Planning a lesbian wedding, preparing for a baby through surrogacy, and coping with crippling writer's block all test the boundaries of love and friendship for a group of Bay Area fortysomethings.

OPENING SHORT: *HELLO MOTHER*

Anne+ (Season 1)



SUN. JUNE 6 • 7:30 PM

DIR. VALERIE BISSCHEROUX • 2018 • 65 MIN.
NETHERLANDS • DUTCH

After a chance encounter with her first ex, Anne reflects episodically on her eclectic girlfriends and how they all shaped her into the woman she is today.

Screened in partnership with Topic.

Love, Spells and All That



WED. JUNE 9 • 7:30 PM

DIR. ÜMIT ÜNAL • 2019 • 96 MIN.
TURKEY • TURKISH

When they were teenagers, Eren and Reyhan had a love affair that 20 years later still consumes Eren. Reyhan insists it's because of a love spell, so they spend a day searching for someone to break it.

OPENING SHORT: *BECCA*

La Leyenda Negra



FRI. JUNE 11 • 7:30 PM

DIR. PATRICIA VIDAL DELGADO • 2020 • 84 MIN.
USA • SPANISH, ENGLISH

When new immigration regulations jeopardize the college dreams of a bright, ambitious, undocumented student at Compton High, she struggles with family, friends and her first love.

OPENING SHORT: *THE ODYSSEY*

Swan Song

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SUN. JUNE 13 • 7:30 PM

DIR. TODD STEPHENS • 2021 • 105 MIN.
USA • ENGLISH

Mr. Pat is an aging hairdresser stuck in a nursing home waiting for the Grim Reaper. Desperately needing a last hurrah, he breaks out for a day to style a dead woman's hair for her funeral.

OPENING SHORT: *FLEX*

Summertime



SAT. JUNE 5 • 2:30 PM

DIR. CARLOS LÓPEZ ESTRADA • 2020 • 95 MIN.
USA • ENGLISH

Over the course of a hot summer day in Los Angeles, the lives of 25 young people, including a skating guitarist, a tagger, and two wannabe rappers, intersect in clever and surprising ways.

OPENING SHORT: *APRIL'S LAST MEMORIES*

Sirley



MON. JUNE 7 • 7:30 PM

DIR. ELISA AMORUSO • 2020 • 90 MIN.
ITALY • ITALIAN, FRENCH

Nina is 13 years old with an incredibly messy family. When she meets Sirley, a lonely and rebellious girl from French Guyana, they develop an intense friendship that will change Nina's life forever.

OPENING SHORT: *PEACH*

Sublet



THU. JUNE 10 • 7:30 PM

DIR. EYTAN FOX • 2020 • 89 MIN.
USA, ISRAEL • ENGLISH, HEBREW

An emotionally exhausted, middle-aged New York Times travel writer researching an article about Tel Aviv finds a new lease on life after spending time with the handsome young gay Israeli man he sublets from.

OPENING SHORT: *THE NIGHT TRAIN*

P.S. Burn This Letter Please



SAT. JUNE 12 • 2:30 PM

DIR. MICHAEL SELIGMAN & JENNIFER TIEXIERA • 2020 • 100 MIN. • USA • ENGLISH

A box of letters, written in the 1950s by a group of New York City drag queens, and held in secret since then, opens a chapter of LGBT history that has been sealed for decades.

OPENING SHORT: *BLACK HAT*

Tove



SAT. JUNE 5 • 7:30 PM

DIR. ZAIDA BERGROTH • 2020 • 100 MIN.
FINLAND, SWEDEN •

SWEDISH, FINNISH, ENGLISH, FRENCH
The story of bisexual Swedo-Finnish painter Tove Jansson, and how she found worldwide success from an unexpected side project in the midst of artistic struggles and an unconventional personal life.

OPENING SHORT: *SQUARE ONE*

Little Girl



TUE. JUNE 8 • 7:30 PM

DIR. SÉBASTIEN LIFSHITZ • 2020 • 90 MIN.
FRANCE, DENMARK • FRENCH

Seven-year-old Sasha has always known she was a little girl, even though she was born a boy. Her family fights a constant battle to make her difference understood and accepted.

OPENING SHORT: *NOW, DAPHNE*

My Fiona



THU. JUNE 10 • 7:30 PM

DIR. KELLY WALKER • 2021 • 87 MIN.
USA • ENGLISH

When Jane's BFF Fiona mysteriously commits suicide, Jane is left devastated and adrift. The only way to find meaning and comfort is to help Fiona's widow care for their son.

OPENING SHORT: *AFTER YOU LEFT*

Kiss Me Kosher

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FEATURE



SAT. JUNE 12 • 7:30 PM

DIR. SHIREL PELEG • 2020 • 101 MIN.
GERMANY, ISRAEL •

ENGLISH, GERMAN, HEBREW, ARABIC
In this screwball romantic misadventure, sparks fly when two families from wildly different cultural backgrounds try to plan a lesbian wedding that the brides themselves maybe aren't quite ready for.

OPENING SHORT: *FEELING FLUSH*

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IN-PERSON AT
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Born This Way: TRANSGENDER SHORTS



SUN. JUNE 6 • 7:30 PM

Powerful and affirming stories about the experiences of transgender people, told with honesty, integrity and heart.

Glory Days: SENIOR SHORTS



ALL FESTIVAL

These stories remind us that romance can find us at any age, life is always filled with possibilities, and the best may indeed be yet to come.

We Are the World: INTERNATIONAL SHORTS II



ALL FESTIVAL

Get out your passport for another international adventure. We are everywhere and our stories are universal!

We Know What Boys Like: GAY SHORTS



MON. JUNE 7 • 7:30 PM

With hot guys, lonely guys, strangers and old friends, on a beautiful beach or in a verdant field, these stories of love, longing and connection are all about the guys.

What a Wonderful World: INTERNATIONAL SHORTS I



ALL FESTIVAL

Take a whirlwind trip to five continents, where you'll discover that everyone has a story to tell no matter what language they speak.

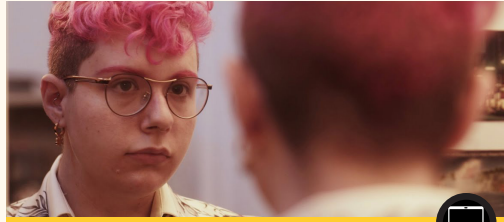
Kiss the Girl: LESBIAN SHORTS



TUE. JUNE 8 • 7:30 PM

From the laundry room to the waiting room, these stories of lesbian life and love in the 21st century are filled with humor and surprises.

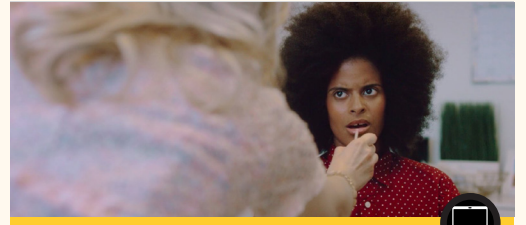
We Are Young: TEEN AND YOUTH SHORTS



ALL FESTIVAL

For younger people seeking stories that reflect their life and aspirations, or for the young at heart, this program has something for everyone.

Colors of My Life: BIPOC SHORTS



ALL FESTIVAL

Experience life's joy, passion, love, struggle, loss, triumph and so much more, with this diverse selection of films highlighting queer communities of color.

Make 'Em Laugh: COMEDY SHORTS



ALL FESTIVAL

If laughter is truly the best medicine, this collection of knee-slappers is just the elixir you need to cure everything from hangnails to seasonal allergies. Side effects may include giggles, guffaws and general merriment. *(Includes several comedy short films from other film programs across the festival.)*

Full details on the short films are available online and in the program book.

VIRTUAL PROGRAM

ALL shorts programs are available online from June 4 - 20.

IN-PERSON AT CINESTUDIO

In-person screenings of select films available on listed dates at Cinestudio.

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VIRTUAL PROGRAM **IN-PERSON AT CINESTUDIO**

PRICES

For in-person and online tickets. Passes can be used for virtual (Eventive) and in-person (Cinestudio) shows.

General Ticket\$12
Senior/Student Ticket\$10

ALL ACCESS FESTI-PASS

Individual\$100
Household (2 person max in-person)\$175

5-SHOW PASS

Individual\$50
Household (2 person max in-person)\$80

- ## FOR VIRTUAL VIEWING:
- Go to www.OutFilmCT.org.
 - Purchase a Pass (Festi-Pass or 5-Show Pass) if you'd like to get the best value! ('Friends of the Festival' will receive an email explaining how to claim their passes/tickets).
 - Browse the 'Virtual Festival' schedule or the 'Film Guide' to pick out the films you want to see.
 - Click the "Pre-Order Now" button to buy your tickets in advance.
 - Feature films and documentaries are available online for a full week after the premiere date/time listed. All of the Shorts programs are available to watch/unlock throughout the entire festival + 1 week (June 4 - 20). Once you start watching a program, you have 48 hours to finish it.
 - Watch the film on your computer/iPad, or connect to your TV via HDMI, AirPlay, Apple TV, Roku or Chromecast stick.
 - Don't forget to submit Audience Award votes for the films you watched (including the shorts!)

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