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J A S P E R





Synopsis

Somewhere in an undetermined time and place, Jasper, a solitary soul, wanders around his port town. He comes across a young woman, left for dead and dressed in an evening gown. He decides to take her home and look after her.

Aware that this encounter will change his life...

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Production Note

This film, dressed as a dark fairy tale, is an adventure which projects us in a world of madness. The director's wish was to address personnalituy disorders by adopting the point of view of the main character in order to immerse as much as possible the audience into the mind of a man lost in his personnal hell.

The crew created the adequate world to convey this vision.

Nothing is fortuitous to give life to Jasper's mental universe – colors, set and props are keys to the narration, as is the altered texture of the image (grain, chromatic abberation, oppressing cinematography). Everything was done to make of « Jasper » a sensory and organic experience, far from the usual standards.

The non-linear narrative structure aims for the spectator to feel the disorder of the main character and its loss of landmarks. Slowly things will make sense for Jasper and the audience.

This is a film made of symbols, a game for the audience until its very end.



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The Director / Julien Nicaud

Julien Nicaud was born in 1977 in Sion, Switzerland, with French/Swiss dual-citizenship. He's been diligently drawing since age four. Since he was eight, he's had a compelling need to tell stories. At twelve, he'd already written a dozen gamebooks illustrated with numerous drawings, and devoured films of all kinds on a daily basis.

He later moves to Lausanne where he studies Visual Arts (Ceruleum, CEPV, ERACOM). He currently works as a filmmaker and artistic director giving his vision to commercials for brands such as Nestlé, Tissot...

2017 / JASPER (*Dramatic Feature Film*)

Production: J'arrête de Respirer, Michel Merkt, Imago Films

Cast: Carlos Leal, Gilles Perret

2013 / LE POT DE CONFITURE (*Dramatic Short*)

Production: Imaginastudio

Cast: Jérôme Ricca, Maud Laedermann et Carlo Brandt

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SELECTIONS AND AWARDS:

- Best Scenario, Mieux Vaut En Rire Short Film Festival, Choisy le Roi, France
- Audience Favorite, Best of Fest, ShortFest - Palm Springs International Short Film Festival, USA
- Best Sound Design: Jean-Noël Yven, 24fps Film Festival, Abilene (USA)
- SIFF - Shanghai International Film Festival (Chine)
- Special Screening Award, Macae Cine Film Festival, Rio de Janeiro (Brésil)

Cast

CARLOS LEAL / Henneri

Carlos Leal was born on July 9, 1969 in Fribourg, Switzerland. He is an actor and producer, known for Casino Royale (2006), El internado (2007) and The Team (2015).

2016 : Gotthard
2015 : The Team (TV series)
2013 : Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. (TV Series)
2011 : There Be Dragons (Roland Joffé)
2006 : Casino Royale (Martin Campbell)

ZINEDINE SOUALEM / Mr Yossivovitch

Zinedine Soualem was born on April 17, 1957 in Thiers, Puy-de-Dôme, France. He is an actor, known for Le scaphandre et le papillon (2007), Chacun cherche son chat (1996) and Le nom des gens (2010).

2017 : Chacun sa vie (Claude Lelouch)
2008 : Bienvenue chez les ch'tis (Danny Boon)
2008 : JCVD (Mabrouk el Mechri)
2007 : Le scaphandre et le papillon (Julian Schnabel)
2003 : Ni pour ni contre (Cédric Klapisch)

GILLES PERRET / Jasper

Gilles Perret was born on November 21 1964 in Lausanne, Switzerland. He is a writer, a stage director and has acted in numerous plays. He learned commedia dell'arte and stage combat techniques.

2008 : Certains préfère les blondes (Billy Wilder)
2002 : Jules César (William Shakespeare)
2000 : Une noce (Anton Tchekov)
1998 : Folies, grandeur et castagnettes (Victor Hugo et Gérard Oury)
1995 : La Cantatrice chauve (Eugène Ionesco)



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Prizes and Nominations

- Cinema Grand Prix 2018 Winner Cibinong Indonesia
- Best Original Concept Winner Independant Horror Movie Awards Los Angeles
- Nominee Best Feature Independant Horror Movie Awards Los Angeles
- Outstanding Achievement Award Cult Critic Movie Awards Calcutta
- Best Concept Silver International Independant Film Awards Los Angeles
- Best Narration Silver International Independant Film Awards Los Angeles
- Best Narrative Feature Silver International Independant Film Awards Los Angeles
- Best Horror/Genre Feature Virgin Spring Cinefest Calcutta
- Award of Merit Special Mention IndieFest Film Award San Diego
- Award of Excellence IndieFest Film Award San Diego
- Best Suspense-Thriller Feature Horror Hotel Festival Celveland
- Best Editing Horror Hotel Festival Cleveland
- Nominated Best Lead Actor Horror Hotel Festival Cleveland
- Best Horror Film Calcutta International Film Festival Calcutta
- Best Feature Film Gold Movie Awards London
- Best Special Effects Gold Movie Awards London
- Best Screenplay Gold Movie Awards London
- Spotlight Silver Award Spotlight Horror Film Awards Antlanta
- Best Narrative feature Film Global Film Festival Awards Los Angeles
- Silver Winner Latitude Film Awards London



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