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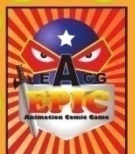


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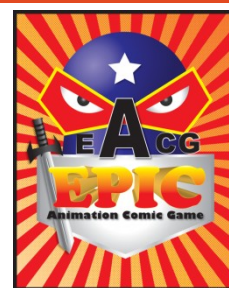
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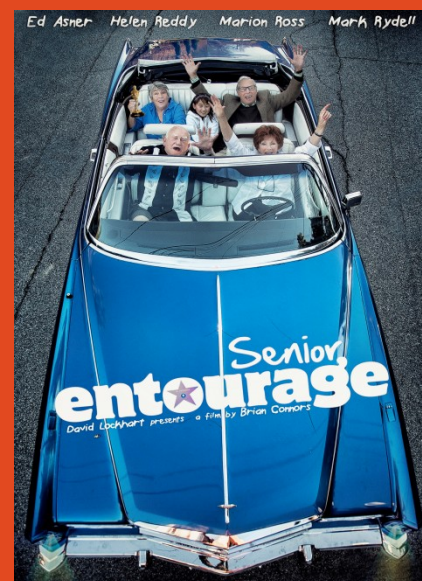
The **Maeya Culture Exchange Group LLC** provides a platform for different cultures to explore, share and communicate with one another. Our purpose is to increase mutual understanding and appreciation between people from different cultures through education and culture exchange. The Economic globalization brings financial benefit; **Maeya Culture Exchange Group LLC brings harmony through culture and art environment.**

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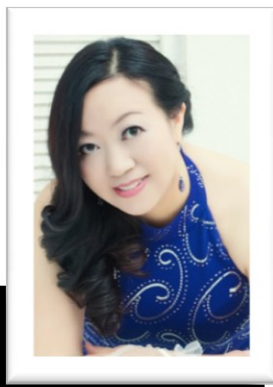
As a cultural project management firm, Maeya Culture Exchange Group LLC produces and manages two international film festivals every year in the United States. One is **Universe Multicultural Film Festival** that is held in Los Angeles every April, and the other is **San Diego International Kids' Film Festival** that is held in San Diego every September. Maeya's brand-new annual production is **Epic ACG Fest** that is held in Albany every November.



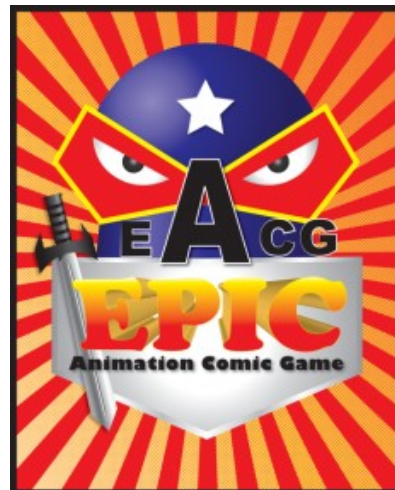
Maeya has many years of experience in the promotion and distribution of family-friendly films, both in the U.S. and in China. As of to date, Maeya has the distribution rights of 63 films imported from China. All of the films have been promoted through participation in various film festivals.



In February 2013, Maeya proudly presented *Cheng Ying Rescues the Orphan*, Maeya's first theater production at Studio 54 Theater in New York's Broadway as well as at the Warner Grand Theater in Los Angeles. On October 18, 2016, Maeya present this Chinese Yu Opera, for the first time, at Dolby Theatre in Hollywood, the home of Academy Awards.



*Welcome Letter from
Executive Director
Lynn Tang*



Dear EACG attendees,

Welcome to the 2018 Epic Animation Comic and Game (EACG) Fest in the beautiful East Bay of San Francisco in California. All EACG activities will be held in the Albany Community Center in the city of Albany. This will be our very 5th edition of showcasing animations, comics, and games. We will be bringing artists from around the world to screen, exhibit and compete their work for the local audience.

We will be screening over 42 animated films that have been selected from submissions from 15 counties, introduce three great screenplays for animation films. There will be special guest appearances from both domestic and international.

This year's gaming tournament features two games, Mahjong, a traditional game originated in China; and cube puzzle, a classic but very challenging game. In addition to the fun, we will also be hosting a red carpet award ceremony with recognitions to some of the best competitors.

On behalf of the entire EACG committee, we thank you for being a part of our festival. EACG will continue to grow with your support and care. I sincerely thank for the sponsors, supporters, volunteers who make this event possible.

Sincerely,

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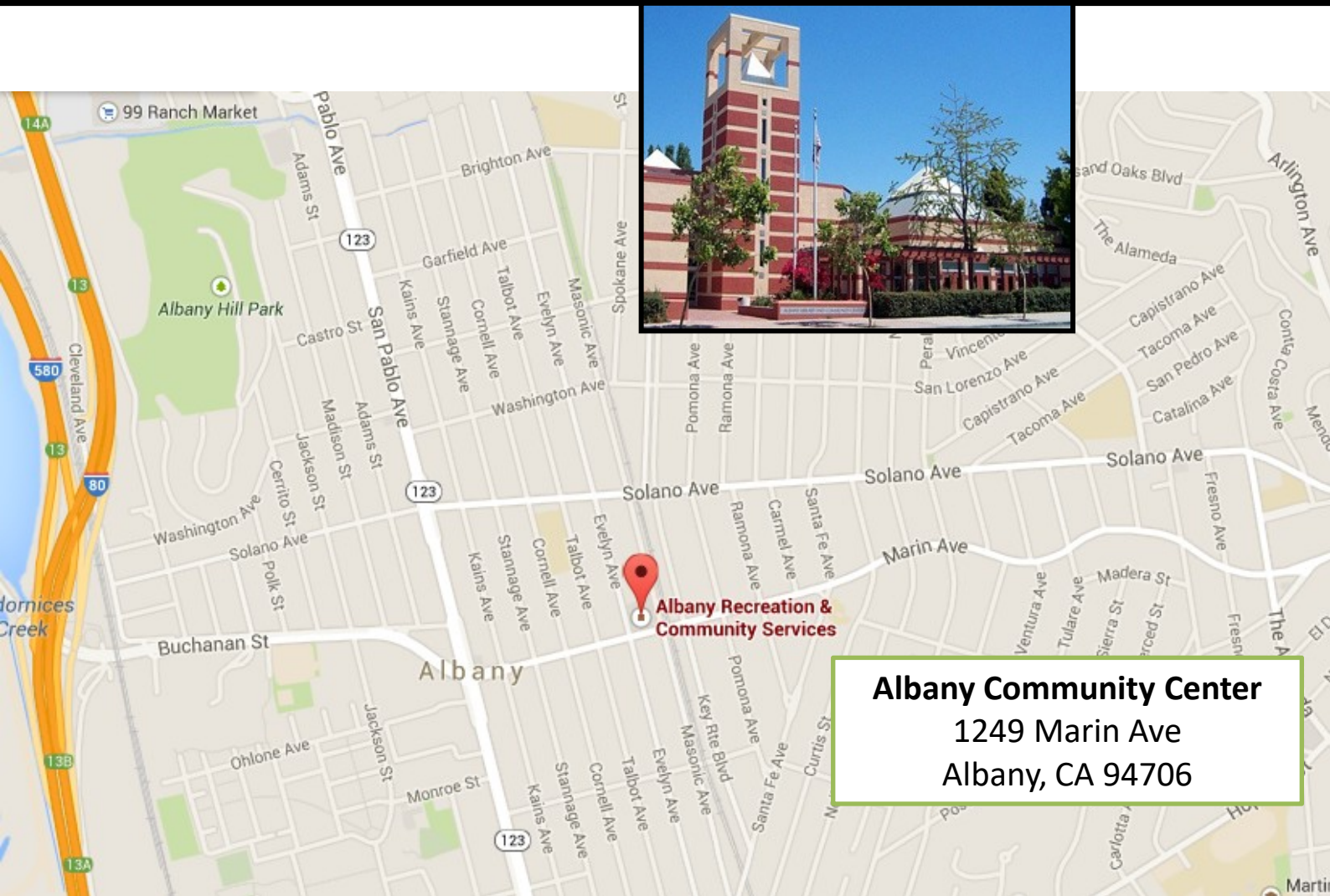


Johnny's Guide to San Francisco for cheapskates





VENUE



Albany Community Center
 1249 Marin Ave
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TICKETING

1-day Fest Pass **\$20**

\$10 (Seniors/Students)

Red Carpet and Award Ceremony Pass **\$25**

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EVENTS SCHEDULE

Comic Art Show

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Saturday, October 27, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

12:30 PM – 6:00 PM **Sunday, October 28, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

Game Tournament

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Saturday, October 27, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Sunday, October 28, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

Cosplay Contest

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Saturday, October 27, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Sunday, October 28, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

Red Carpet Masquerade Show

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM **Sunday, October 28, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**

Award Ceremony

6:00 PM – 8:30 PM **Sunday, October 28, 2018** **The Community Room (Hall)**



Animation Film Screening Schedule

2018 Epic ACG Film Screening Schedule

DAY 1: Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018

START	FILM	COUNTRY	MINUTES
<i>Venue: Room 2 at Albany Community Center</i>			
1:00 PM	Guess How Much I Love You: Christmas to the Moon and Back	Australia	26
	Pit Stop: Running on Empty	Canada	5
	Cicada	U.S.A	4
	Lemon & Elderflower	United Kingdom	3
	Mogu & Perol	Japan	9
	Little Flower Artist Movie	U.S.A	5
	Barnyard Aces	Mexico	10
	Ami	Germany	6
	The Teacher and the Flower	Mexico	9
	Water Path for A Fish	Spain	7
2:50 PM	Dreamweaver	U.S.A	6
	A Drawing	U.S.A	6
	Blows With the Wind	Iran	7
	Breakfast Chicken	U.S.A	1
	Outside	U.S.A	5
	Gypsy Tales: The Fiery Red Snake	Hungary	8
	The Talking Goldfish	U.S.A	9
	Mom Got Eaten By A Spider Demon	U.S.A	9
	Days of Our Rovers: Episode 1	U.S.A	5
	The Inksect	Mexico	10
4:10 PM	Tales from the Lakeside	Hungary	68
5:30 PM	Howard Lovecraft And The Kingdom Of Madness	Canada	75

Special
Guests



Christopher R. Coppola



Esha Tewari



Karl Pontau



Sadia Ashraf



Animation Film Screening Schedule

2018 Epic ACG Film Screening Schedule

DAY 2: Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018

START	FILM	COUNTRY	MINUTES
<i>Venue: Room 2 at Albany Community Center</i>			
1:00 PM	Scepter	U.S.A	18
	Apple of My Eye	Singapore	6
	Carlotta's Face	Germany	5
	Guess How Much I Love You: An Enchanting Easter	Australia	27
	Fuse	Germany	8
	From winter to springtime	Italy	4
	Minut	New Zealand	2
Q&A			
2:30PM	Glitter Model	Brazil	22
	Rescue Operation	Brazil	11
	The Train	Iran	3
	Two Balloons	U.S.A	9
	Zara and the others: Gorilla brains for dinner	Norway	8
3:50PM	The Intelligence! -The counterattack of robots	Japan	20
	Peace Carpet	Iran	5
	Spindrift	UK	12
	Elena And the Shadows	Mexico	8
	Breakfast in Bed	Australia	4

Special Guests



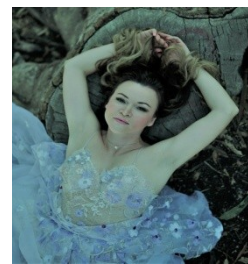
Herb Moore



A Shanti Altovese
Griffin



Andrew J.
Neis



Evguenia
Kovylnikova



Sunny Zhang



ANIMATION



A Drawing

USA |6min Short |Animation

Director: Brad Condie

Synopsis:

A young boy misses the chance to say goodbye to his dying Mother...



Ami

Germany|6min Short |Animation

Director: Gonzalo San Vicente

Synopsis:

Little Ami finds out her mother must leave on a business trip. Mom tells her a white lie to appease her mind while she is away. Find out what happens when the innocent lie turns true in a way neither of them expected.



Apple of My Eye

Singapore|6min Short |Animation

Director/Producer: Davide Benvenuti

Synopsis:

In a strange land two creatures fight over the last scrap of food



Barnyard Aces

Mexico|10min Short |Animation

Director: Irving Sevilla & Manuel Baea

Synopsis:

Avelita, a mischievous chick, wants a jukebox. Her grandpa wants a musician to brighten the atmosphere of his restaurant. In Spanish with English sub-titles.



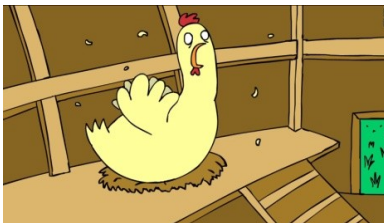
Blows With The Wind

Iran|7min Short | Animation

Director/Writer/Producer: Hazhir As'adi

Synopsis:

After occurring some events for the scarecrow, scarecrow becomes human



Breakfast Chicken

USA|1 min Short |Animation

Director, Writer & Producer: Thomas Kastrati

Synopsis:

Life from the point of view of an egg.



Breakfast in Bed

Australia|4min Short |Animation

Director, Writer & Producer: Tobias Krebs

Synopsis:

Its Mother's Day and Lenny forgot, what last minute gifts will Lenny come up with?



ANIMATION



Carlotta's Face

Germany|5min Short|Animation|Documentary
 Director/ Writer: Valentin Riedl, FrédéricSchuld
 Producer: Fabian Driehorst
 Synopsis:

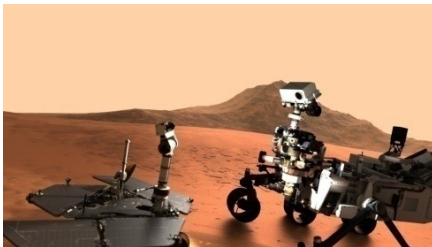
As a child, Carlotta didn't expect the people around here to have faces. She even doesn't recognize her own face. Years later, she learns about a rare, untreatable deficit of her brain. It was art, after all, that offered her a way to finally recognize herse



Cicada

USA |4min Short |Animation
 Producer: Gabriela Borregales
 Synopsis:

We don't know that much about Zara and the others. But Zara and others certainly bleed an awful lot of nose blood. And Zara and the others certainly steal both pots and children from other people.



Days of our Rovers

USA |5min Short |Animation
 Director/Writer/Producer: Gerry Orz
 Synopsis:

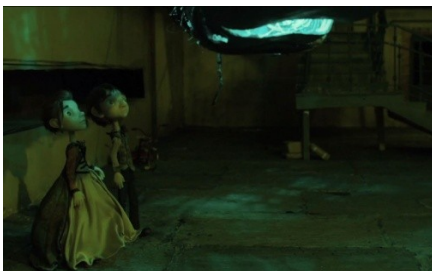
3D animated web-series about adventures of- Nasa Rovers on Mars.



Dreamweaver

USA |XX min Short |Animation
 Director: Cheryl Briggs
 Synopsis:

The Chippewa tribe believes that Asibikaashi, the spider woman, protects children from bad dreams at night by weaving dream catchers to hang above their heads while they sleep. In Dreamweaver, she teaches Namid, a scared eight year old Chippewa girl who suffers from nightmares, to overcome her fears.



Elena and the shadows

Mexico|8min Short |Animation
 Director: Cesar Cepeda
 Producer: Lucero Troncoso
 Synopsis:

Elena moves into a neighborhood where nothing ever seems to happen. Living in such an alien and uneventful place leads her to an overwhelming sense of apathy that threatens to drive her insane..



From Winter to Springtime

Italy |4 min Short | Animation
 Director: Dino Agate
 Synopsis:

A series of little scenes, showing changes in nature along the Winter and Spring transition



ANIMATION



Fuse

Germany |8min Short |Animation |Drama |Comedy

Director: ShadiAdib

Writer: ShadiAdib, Simon Thummet

Producer: Stefan Michel

Synopsis:

A mousetrap snaps shut, a market place awakens. A group of men heatedly discuss how to kill the animal in the little box



Glitter Model

Brazil|22min Short|Animation

Director: AngeloNunes; Producer: André Nunes

Cast: Luiza Porto, Rebeca Zadra

Synopsis:

It tells about the adventures of Clara and her best friends Valentina and Giovanna. Clara will discover her potential and become a beautiful model and a part of the biggest model agency in town, Glitter Model



Guess How Much I love you: Christmas to the Moon and Back

Australia|26 min Short |Animation

Director: Jo Boag

Synopsis:

On a snow-covered Christmas Eve, Little NutbrownHare and his friends stumble across a little Brown Bear who is lost. Determined to return their young friend back to his mother in time for Christmas, the friends venture bravely into the unknown woods.



Guess how much I love you: An enchanting Easter

Australia|26min Short |Animation

Director: Jo Boag

Synopsis:

As Winter melts into Spring and the meadow bursts forth with new life, Little Nutbrown Hare sees a rare sight



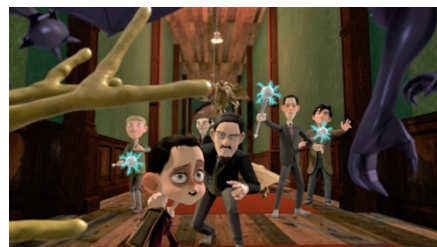
Gypsy Tales: The Fiery Red Snake

Hungary|8 min Short |Animation

Producer: Orsos Terez

Synopsis:

The events of a little boy's life usher him into the world of life among the Gypsies, where he seeks unconditional love, and his closest family members are put to the test.)



Howard Lovecraft And The Kingdom Of Madness

Canada |75min Feature| Animation

Director/Writer/ Producer: Sean Patrick O'Reilly

Synopsis:

When Howard's father is stricken by an evil alien entity, Howard, Spot and Constable Smith must race to a secret government base in Antarctica to seek out the one man who can save his life: Dr. Herbert West. But the doctor has unwittingly awakened a sinister presence in the frozen wasteland that threatens to enter our world. In the end, one our heroes will be forced to Sacrifice his life to prevent the monstrosity from entering our destroying our planet.



ANIMATION



Lemon & Elderflower

UK |3min Short |Animation

Director: Ilenia Cotardo

Synopsis:

Two sibling hummingbirds must build different inventions to solve their "big" problem: to take flight with other birds..



Little Flower Artist Movie

USA |5min Short |Animation

Director: Florita Bell Griffin

Synopsis:

The ten-year-old protagonist, Little Flower, is an artist, who loves painting flowers. Her big imagination gives her an artistic super power that can bring whatever she paints to life



Minute

New Zealand|1min Short|Animation

Director: Jasper Wang

Producer: Kaleidc Art

Synopsis:

Food is always delight



Mogu & Perol

Japan |9min Short |Animation

Director: Tsuneo Goda

Synopsis:

A story about two friends living on Yummy Island, where delicious food can be found everywhere! Whenever Mogu is cooking, Perol just pops up and eats the yummy meal



Mom got eaten by a spider demon

USA |9 min Short |Animation

Director: John R. Dilworth

Synopsis:

A horror comedy about twin 'goosies' who rescue their mom after she becomes possessed by a spider demon.



Outside

USA |5min Short |Animation

Director / Producer: Laura Norris

Synopsis:

When a lonely little boy finds a strange creature in the woods, he must keep it a secret from his mom or risk losing his only friend.



Peace Carpet

Iran |5min Short | Animation

Director/Writer: Ziba Arzhang

Synopsis:

Everyone is looking for a deer, deer is pregnant. She is thinking of saving her child's life, and she goes through various beds to save her child's life. The curtain design is woven on the carpet



ANIMATION



Pit stop: Running on Empty

Canada |5min Short |Animation

Producer: Brett Jubinville

Synopsis:

The race cars are having a showdown in the desert in Episode 3 of the car racing cartoon for kids, Pit Stop! But will the scorching hot conditions leave gas tanks bone dry.



Rescue Operation

Brazil |11min Short | Animation

Director/Writer: Bruno Padoveze/ Rafael Sosnowski/Thomaz Martins

Producer: DéboraObrer, Reiko Himeji, Kiyoshi

Synopsis:

The Little Owls see a birdie inside a crocodile's mouth and decide to save it. Bubu and Biel begin to argue. The rescue plan completed by the little monkey and his primates crew plus the blue macaws and the tortoise



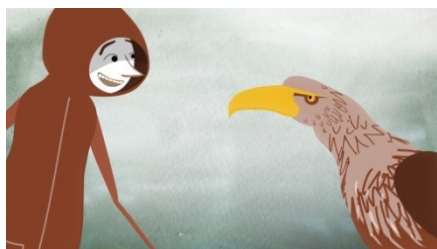
SCEPTER

USA|18min Short | Adventure

Director: Ben Keeline

Synopsis:

Two schools across the globe create a film together. One school is Fareham in England. The other is in Cottonwood, California.



Spindrift

UK|12min Short|Fantasy|Drama

Director/Writer: Selina Wagner

Producer: Anna Thomson

Synopsis:

On a desolate island off the coast of Orkney, a young girl lives with her parents in a run-down and unloved croft by the sea.



Tales from the Lakeside

Hungary|68 min Feature | Animation |Family

Director: Zsolt Pálfi

Writer: Judit Berg; Producer: Cinemon

Synopsis:

The Verdies are the tiny, but brave guardians of the lakeside, they only become guardians when their hair turns brown. Willy Whistle's big dream is to become a guardian. However, the whole lake becomes at risk when the enemies of the lakeside, the Grimps and the swans, enter into alliance. The guardians are helpless, but Willy comes up with a daring plan in order to save his home and his trapped friend,



The Inksect

Mexico |10min Short |Animation

Director & Writer: Pablo Calvillo

Synopsis:

In a dystopian future where books are banned and confiscated, an underground sect of intellectual creatures seeks books, to save humanity from morphing into illiterate cockroaches.



ANIMATION



The talking Goldfish

USA |9min Short |Animation

Writer, Director, & Producer: Roger An

Synopsis:

Rodrigo, a charismatic talking goldfish, has had enough of his hapless owner Conner. Tired of performing tricks for snacks, our scaly hero sets his sights on Bianca, a beautiful marine biologist.



THE INTELLIGENCE! -The counterattack of robots

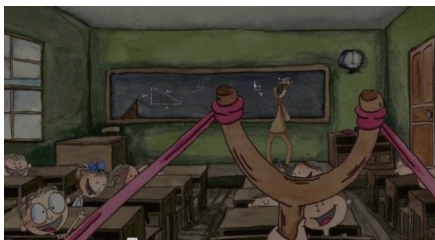
Japan |20min Short | Animation

Director/Writer: SuiseiHoshii

Producer: SuiseiHoshii, Reiko Himeji, Kiyoshi

Synopsis:

Environmental pollution caused by nuclear waste has led to many cities on Earth becoming extinct. People cannot live without wearing protective clothing, so they have started to look for another star on which to live peacefully.



The teacher and the flower

Mexico |9min Short |Animation

Director: Daniel Irabien

Synopsis:

In a selfish and violent world, where everyone is against everyone, a teacher finds refuge taking care of a delicate flower, to which he tells his dreams and desires.



The train

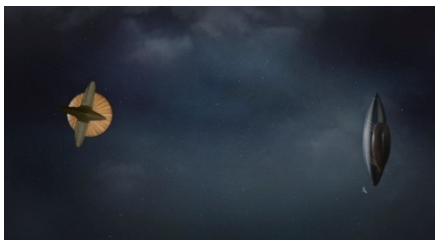
Iran |3min Short |Animation

Director & Script: Javad Matouri

Producer: Mhammad Amin Hamedani

Synopsis:

A person riding a flying bicycle in the sky, full of happiness. During the story, we realize that he is running a geared seat which is running a monster factory mechanism. Gradually we realize he trapped in slavery's cycle



Two balloons

USA |10 min Short |Animation

Director & Writer: Mark Smith

Synopsis:

wo travelers return to a place crossed by stars and clouds where love is at the beginning of everything.



Water path for a fish

Spain |7min Short |Animation

Director: Mercedes Marro

Producer: Pierre Nothman

Synopsis:

It's a starry night when Oscar sees from his window... a little goldfish jumping on a dirty puddle! Two cats are watching from the shadows.



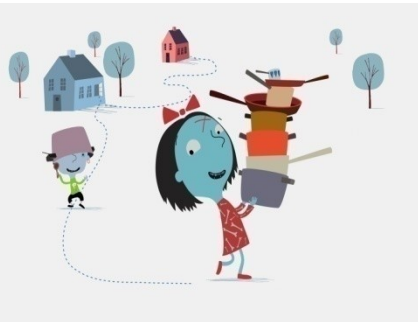
ANIMATION

Zara and the others: Gorilla brains for dinner

Norway|8min Short |Animation
 Directors: Nils Johan Lund & Bjørn Sortland
 Producer: Bjørn Sortland
 Screenplay: Bjørn Sortland
 Illustrations and design: Elisabeth Moseng
 Animation: Nils Johan Lund
 Composer and sound designer: Thomas Haugland
 Narrator: Hanna Andenes

Synopsis:

A sweet, little zombie girl is scared that her father will embarrass her when she brings a friend home from school for the first time.



SCREENPLAYS

A Whisker Past Midnight(USA)-Andrew Garrett

A Whisker Past Midnight takes place just after World War Two—a “simple” ocean crossing turns into a fight for survival.

Two mice--Frankie, just trying to get home to New York, and Laura, an heiress who's spent her fortune seeking justice for her murdered father--find themselves the last line of defense against an entire crew of Nazis who have turned an ocean liner into a floating mousetrap. One Nazi in particular has made it his personal mission to see them very, very dead. Jeez, stick a fork in a guy one time...

It appears that their sole ally on the ship is a wounded American operative whose deep cover has just been blown--and who may be more interested in taking the ship down with him than getting anyone out alive.

Big band music fills the air, a U-boat lurks just out of sight—and a femme fatale fox wants Frankie for lunch. When the New Year's Eve ball drops at midnight, it could be lights out for good.



The Flute (UK)- Simon Parker

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A boy is given a magic flute

Walker's Run (USA)-Mark Justice

Walker's Run is about a runt Husky who is born into a championship dogsled family. At an early age, walker runs away from home to prove to his father that he's worthy. Take in by his father's biggest rival, walker is given a new identity and persona. Walker goes on to compete against his father, and experiences heartache when his father unexpectedly passes away. After giving up racing, walker is rescued by motherly love, a new friend, and some southerly advice to comeback and fulfills his father's legacy by beating his father's rival and winning the championship.



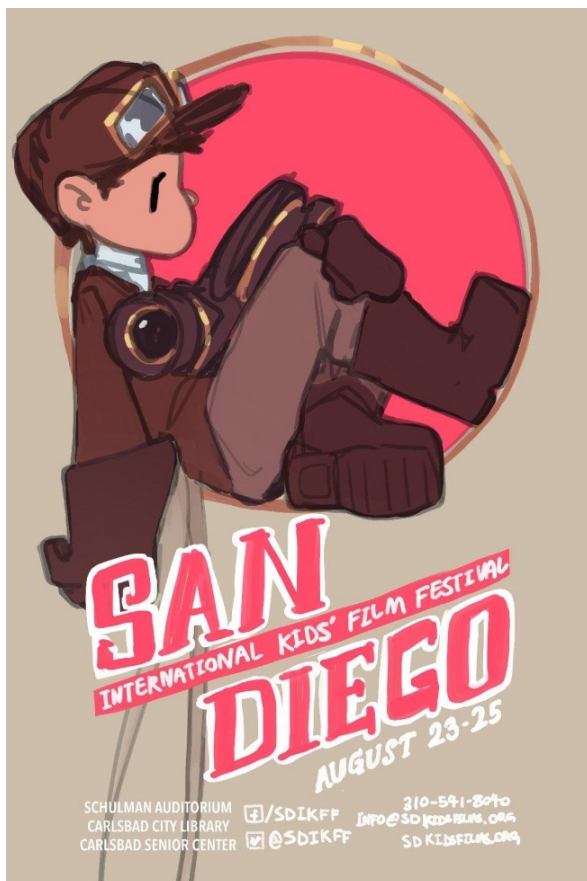


COMIC



Kids Film Festival

Jasper Wang, 2018, New Zealand





COMIC

Comic Sketches

Herb Moore, 2018, USA



Beach Burn



Looking for the Pyramids



In the beginning



Yoga Pig



Little Naked Girl



Sad boy



GAME



Still Life with La Danse, Henri Matisse, 1909



Harmony in Red, Henri Matisse, 1908

Puzzle Maeya is a unique puzzle concept consisting of 130 ½” cubes self-packaged in a 5” x 7” clear plastic case.

Presents the incomparable art of **Vincent Van Gogh** and **Henri Matisse**

(Mar. 30, 1853 – Jul. 29, 1890)

(Dec. 31, 1869 – Nov.3, 1954)

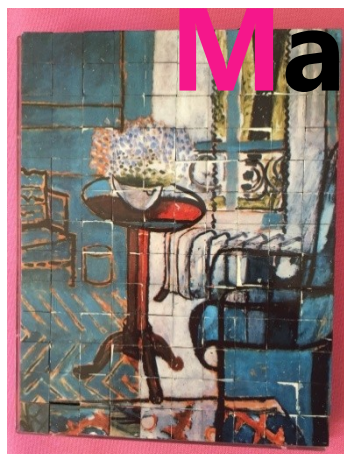
Contained in this single set of 130 cubes are two of Van Gogh’s and four of Matisse’s most famous paintings. To solve this puzzle

- 1 Select one of the images from the full-sized pictures inside
- 2 Rotate each cube so that the side displayed is one that is included within the selected image
- 3 Then arrange the cubes to reconstruct the image exactly
(If only it was as easy as these instructions make it sound)

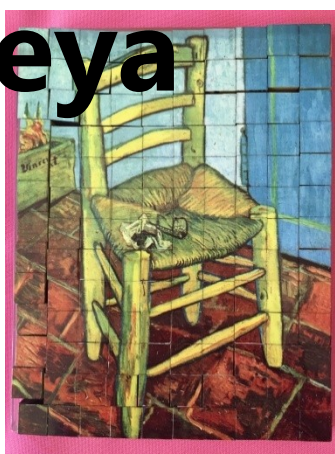
Be prepared for the challenge of a lifetime! Combines six artistic masterpieces in a unique new format that puzzle-lover will find impossible to resist. Have fun in gaming!



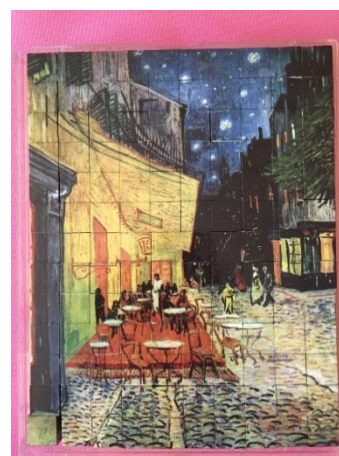
The Black Table
Henri Matisse, 1919



The Window
Henri Matisse, 1916



Yellow Chair
Van Gogh, 1888

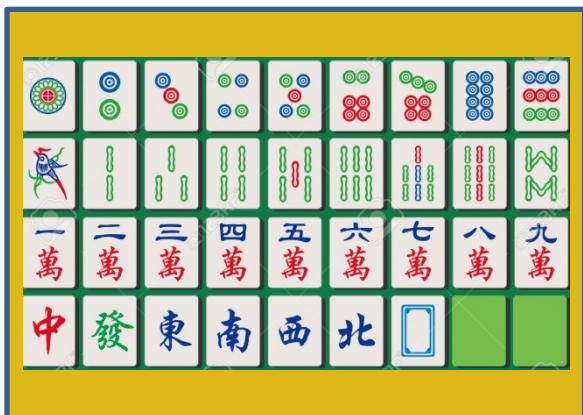


Café Terrace at Arles
Van Gogh, 1888

Puzzle Maeya




GAME




all suit mahjong

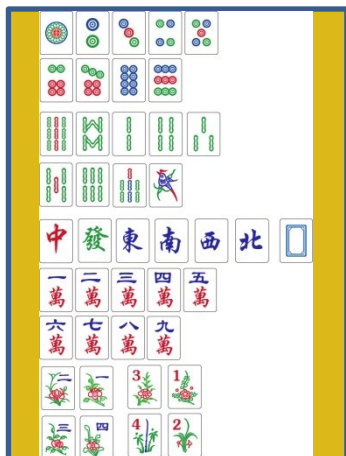


close up of mahjong tiles

Mahjong, also spelled majiang (麻将), mah jongg, and numerous other variants, is a game that originated in China. It is commonly played by **four players**  (with some three-player variations found in South Korea and Japan). The game and its regional variants are widely played throughout Eastern and South Eastern Asia and have a small following in Western countries.

The game is played with a set of **144** tiles based on **Chinese characters and symbols**  although some regional variations use a different number of tiles. In most variations, each player begins by receiving **13** tiles. **In turn players draw and discard tiles** until they complete a legal hand using the **14th** drawn tile to form **four groups (melds) and a pair (head)**.

The 2017 EACG will feature a mahjong tournament for the first time. The tournament is open to any mahjong player with a fest pass, and adopted the rule of World Series of Mahjong. No cash prizes. Prizes will be given to the **Top 8** places in the tournament for each day, and the winners will also receive certificates at the award ceremony.

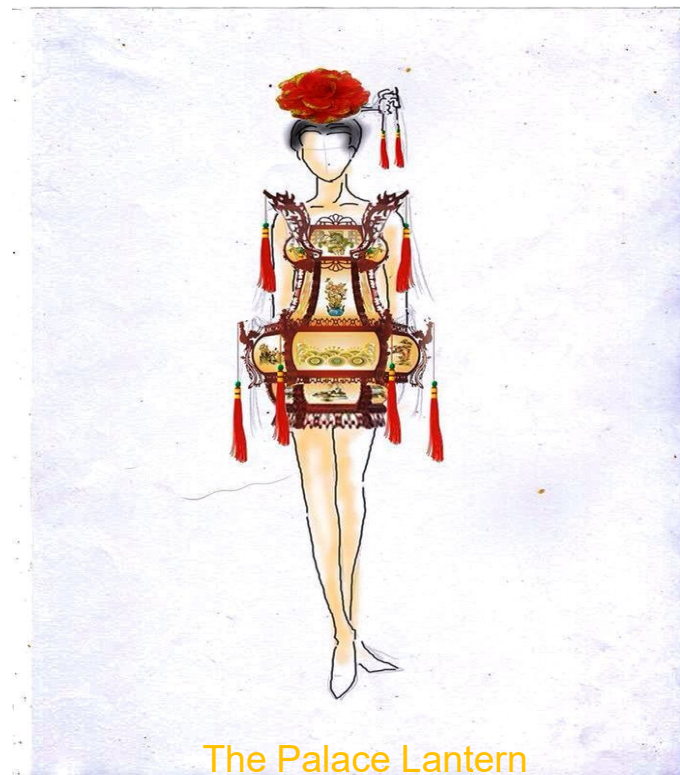


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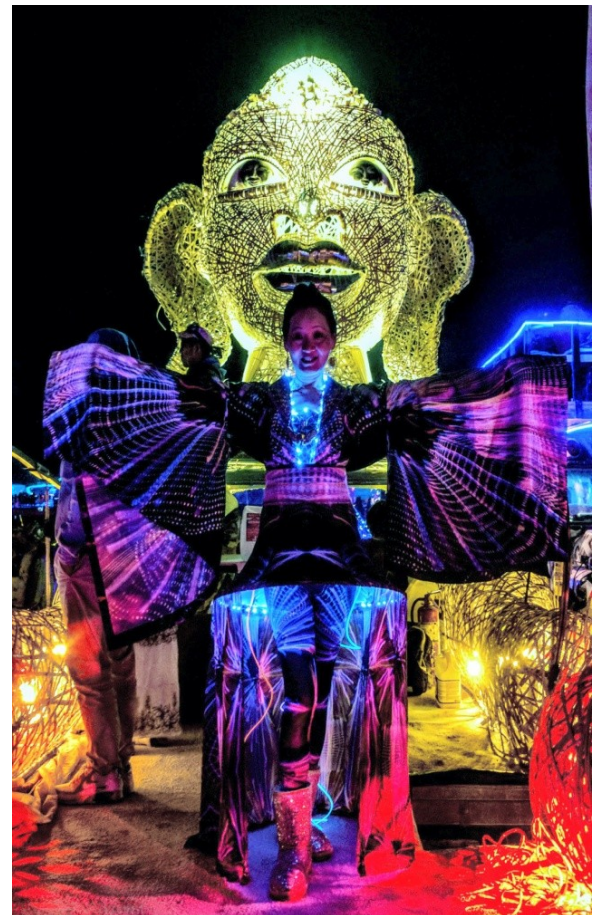
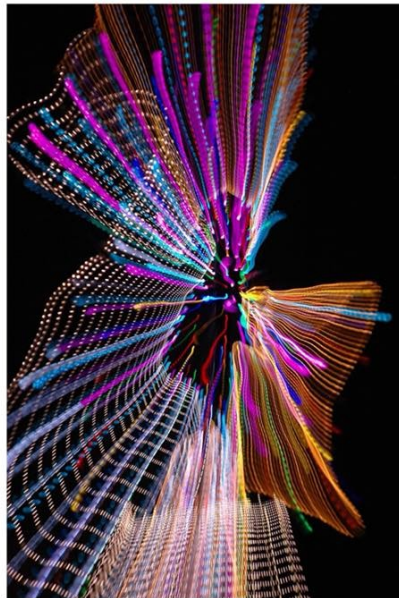


The Masquerade



The Palace Lantern

Designed by Anita Lam and made by Aimee Baldwin of Vegan Taxidermy (Berkeley 2018)



The Electric Geisha: Designed by Anita Lam; fabric printed by and from the photography of David Klein and made by Tatiana Elliston (SF 2018)



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