

Alpha

A film by Dana Goldberg



Synopsis

The final minutes of an intimate night between two women. One is fifty years old and the other is twenty three. What seems to be a fragile promise of harmony brings about the relationship's demise.

Dana Goldberg, Israel 2007, 12 min, video, black & white, Hebrew / English subtitles

Dana Goldberg

Dana studied Video Art in Beit Berl College School of Art and graduated in 2003. When she took cinema lessons in her third year she decided to go for film-making. Between 2003 and 2007 she wrote and directed four short films, in which she analyses various forms of dependency and violence. In 2005 she attended Berlinale Talent Campus. Dana is developing her first feature length film.

Filmography

- Alpha (2007, 12')
- Masha (2005, 10')
- Untitled (2004, 1:44')
- Cell (2004, 9:30')
- Nommy Teller (2003, 12')

Director`s statement

In ALPHA, not only two women meet; each meets an individual created to suit the other's needs. The game they play is the pattern of their lives. The mythical mother-daughter relationship is a role play they will always seek for, and will always have to hide.

I decided to make ALPHA when I found a peace of paper stuck to a board in a women's bar. The note said:

LOOKING FOR AN ADOPTING MOTHER.
DEMANDS: MONEY, FOOD, CAR, SEX.

Credits

Mature woman: Rozina Cambos
Young woman: Tamara Klingon

Executive Producer: Ran Shmueli
Director of Photography: Asi Oren
Production designer: Denis David Pariente
Editor: Hadara Oren

Assistant Director: Einat Erez
Chief Lighting Technician: Avinatan Shinar
Sound: Yahav Shemesh
Continuity: Nivi Uzan

Assistant Cameraman: Omri Rosen
Lighting Assistant: Modi Zausmer
Production Assistants: Lena Turel
Hadar Charkevich

On Line Editor: Etty Li-On Zingman
Sound Mix \ Sound Design: Yeela Inbari
Titles: Dana Darvish

Original Music: Piano: Karni Postel
Programming: Karni Postel & Kuti
Recorded and mixed in Took took | Music Warehouse

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Technical Specs

Shooting Format DV
Screening Format Beta SP
Screen Ratio 16:9 (Letterbox)
Sound Stereo
Colour Back and White
Language Hebrew
Subtitles English

Festivals

International Short Film Festival Hamburg, 2007 (in competition)
Bite the Mango Film Festival, UK, 2007
International Film Festival Cork, 2007
Pink Screen, Brussels, 2007
23rd Lesbian and Gay Film Festival Ljubljana, Slovenia, 2007
Lesbian and Gay Film Festival Turino, 2008
Lesbian and Gay Film Festival Milano, 2008
Bunker Film Festival, Italy, 2008
Queer Lisboa, 2008 (in competition)
Ladyfest, Berlin, 2008
International Women's Film Festival Rehovot, Israel, 2008 (in competition)