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SHORT & SHARP PITCHING COMPETITION EVENT - WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1

Don't miss seeing our seven finalists pitch their projects to a celebrated industry panel and live audience at Cinema Nova from 7pm on Wednesday November 1. Tickets are \$12 or FREE to OPEN CHANNEL members. Tickets available at the door (OC members - don't forget your membership card!).

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Rupert Kathner and Alma Brooks were the Bonnie and Clyde of Australian showbiz.

He was an artist (although some might say con artist!) and a dreamer. She was a secretary at the local film studios, with a mysterious past and enough sass to get what she wanted. When they met in the late 1930s, a revolutionary film-making duo was born.

Ben Mendelsohn (Love My Way) stars with Victoria Hill (Macbeth) in this charming journey back to an intriguing chapter of Australia's film history. In cinemas November 30. For further information visit

<http://www.huntangels.com.au>

OPEN CHANNEL members have the chance to WIN one of 30 doubles to a preview screening on Sunday November 12 at 11am at Cinema Como. To WIN a double pass email info@openchannel.org.au with HUNTANGELS in the subject line, and remember to include your OPEN CHANNEL membership number and daytime telephone number. First 30 members to respond will WIN. Competition closes Monday November 6.

+ NEWS

___MEMBER VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE FOR OPEN CHANNEL DECEMBER EVENT

We're looking for several OPEN CHANNEL member volunteers to help us design and deliver our combined Love Your Work!/ Christmas party event at Shed 4 on December 20. Our event committee needs to look at creative ways to showcase the "Love Your Work!" screening in the Shed and turn this event into a truly memorable occasion for OPEN CHANNEL members and guests. So, if you've got design/visual flair and some time to spare, we'd love to have you involved. Email Melinda Maillard, Membership & Communications Coordinator, on comms@openchannel.org.au by Friday, November 10.

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___LOVE YOUR WORK! - DEADLINE EXTENDED

Did you miss our call for entries? Don't worry because we're giving you another week to get your film into us.

Deadline is now Wednesday November 8.

You won't want to miss having your short film screened at the above Christmas party event.

For more information visit:

http://www.openchannel.org.au/e_lyw.html

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__GET TRAINED BY THE BEST

November Short Courses:

- Final Cut Pro Advanced, 3, 4 & 5 November: taught by Marcus Herrick whose credits include the film version of "Where the Wild Things Are" and Seven's "Coxy's Big Break".
- Final Cut Pro Introduction, 17, 18 & 19 November: taught by Matthew Rooke, whose project "Antarctic Art" was recently screened on ABC TV.
- Write Your Short Film, 18, 22, 29 November, 9 & 13 December: taught by Ian Dixon, whose directing credits include Ten's "Neighbours" and Seven's "Blue Heelers".
- Law Camera Action! 9 & 16 November: taught by Shaun Miller who is a Senior Associate at Marshalls & Dent Lawyers in their Media and Entertainment Department, and has represented on films such as "Ned Kelly" and "The Rage in Placid Lake".

For further information on any of these courses email:

shortcourses@openchannel.org.au

or visit:

http://www.openchannel.org.au/t_shortcourses.html

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__ACCREDITED TRAINING

+ Specialist Directing Course

This 12 week course commences Monday December 4. International award winning director, Alkinos Tsilimidos, whose feature films include "Tom White" and more recently "EM4JAY" will be the principal directing tutor on the intensive four week Directors' Workshop.

+ Producing for Television

Commencing February 5, 2007, this 15 week course has been developed in association with C31 (Melbourne and Geelong's community television station). This course offers a "Certificate III in Screen" (CUF30101) qualification and will focus on digital filmmaking and live broadcast studio skills.

For further information on our accredited courses email:

trainingmanager@openchannel.org.au

or visit

<http://www.openchannel.org.au/training.html>

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__3CR'S FILM SHOWS NOW STREAMING

The Film Show (Thursdays 11am to 11.30am) and Media Moves (Saturdays 11am to 12noon) can now be heard online on www.3cr.org.au as well as on 855AM. Tune in for interviews, reviews, news, information for filmmakers and ticket giveaways.

If you are a filmmaker or film curator and would like to contact the shows with news of your events and requests for interviews then please email:

The Film Show, Bree McKilligan at bree67_@hotmail.com
Media Moves, Peter Krausz at krausz.peter.g@edumail.vic.gov.au

or Melinda O'Connor, moconnor@kangan.edu.au

+ OPPORTUNITIES

__ REDUCED HIRE RATES FOR OPEN CHANNEL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

OPEN CHANNEL is offering big discounts on hires over the coming weeks.

OFFER No.1: You can be "off and racing" with your project with our Melbourne Cup Offer - 25% discount on all field production equipment if you hire from Friday November 3 to Wednesday November 8.

OFFER No. 2: It doesn't matter if you've been naughty or nice, you can have a 50% discount on all hires. OPEN CHANNEL Members get a Christmas Bonus of a further 20% discount! This offer applies from December 22 to January 9. Shoot your project and then edit down at Docklands, at a much reduced price. Equipment hires must be for the full period. No conditions on edit hires (please enquire for more information).

With all the Festivals coming up, your project can be produced for a great price over the Holidays!

Give our Equipment and Facilities Department a call on 8610 9302.

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__ UPLOAD, SHARE AND SELL YOUR VIDEOS TODAY!

www.si-mi.com has launched!... and you are invited to become one of the first members! Upload your films today – set your own price and get a 90% cut after costs.

www.si-mi.com is a site for independent artists - where you can upload and sell your music, films, podcasts, games, ebooks - or anything digital...

Content owners get a 90% cut after costs and get paid every 2 weeks. e.g. if you sell a video (50MB) at 99 cents, you'll keep about 73 cents.

It's totally free to become a member - upload today at

<http://www.si-mi.com>

+ EVENTS

__2005 RAW NERVE SCREENING

Don't forget that this month the latest round of "Raw Nerve" short films will be screened as part of Popcorn Taxi's film festival.

When: Wednesday, November 15 at 7.30pm

Where: Greater Union Cinema, Melbourne

Cost: \$15 / \$12 for OPEN CHANNEL members

You can purchase tickets at the door or online at:

<http://www.popcorn-taxi.com.au>

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__BLUE DANDENONGS YOUTH FILM FESTIVAL

The Blue Dandenongs Youth Film Festival provides a genuine opportunity for the best filmmakers aged 26 years and under to be recognised for their talent and to gather as a community for the rare chance to network with their peers. 2007 promises bigger and better prizes, more chances to network with other young film makers and industry professionals, and the opportunity to get your work screened at the stunning outdoor Cameo Cinemas in Belgrave. Any genre, any topic, shot on any format - they are looking for great film from young filmmakers.

For further information email

info@bdyff.org.au

or visit

<http://www.bdyff.org.au>

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__KOTO FUNDRAISER: JIMMY'S KITCHEN / VIETNAM SYMPHONY

KOTO is a non-profit restaurant and vocational training program in Hanoi that is changing the lives of disadvantaged youth in Vietnam.

This fundraiser will feature two Australian documentaries - "Jimmy's Kitchen", the story of Jimmy Pham and the founding of KOTO; and "Vietnam Symphony", the story of the Hanoi Conservatory of Music and their time underground in a small rural village during the war. Jimmy Pham will introduce the films and there will be refreshments following the screening.

When: Sunday November 5 at 11am

Where: Cinema Nova, Carlton

Tickets: \$25, bookings essential on 0403 879 314

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__CELLULOID SOUP: MELBOURNE JEWISH SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

Don't miss this Festival being held on November 26 at the Astor Theatre in St Kilda.

For further information visit:

http://www.jewishmuseum.com.au/csoup/cs_about.htm

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__ATOM AWARDS CEREMONY AND CELEBRATION

The 2006 ATOM Awards celebrate the very best of Australian and New Zealand Media productions and will be held at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image, Federation Square, Melbourne on Friday November 10.

OPEN CHANNEL will be presenting "Best Short Fiction" in the Tertiary category.

For further information on the 2006 ATOM Awards ceremony and celebration visit:

<http://www.atomawards.org>

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__SPAA FRINGE 2006

The inspirational conference for the next generation of emerging producers, writers and directors.

Hurry, less than two weeks to go! Book now to ensure you are registered.

When: 12 to 14 November

Where: Brisbane Powerhouse

http://www.spaa.org.au/fringe_2006

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