



interfilm Berlin presents:

## 24th International Short Film Festival Berlin 4 – 9 November 2008

### Special Programmes: Capture Motion!



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#### P R E S S R E L A S E

**From 4 – 9 November the International Short Film Festival Berlin will present a selection of contemporary short film productions from all over the world, for the 24th time. From 4,000 entries and more than 90 countries, the festival will screen 454 short live-action-, documentary-, children's-, animation- and experimental films as well as music- and commercial clips. In addition to eight competition categories and numerous special programmes, cult festival events and stimulating industry talks there is a lot more to discover at the interfilm Short Film Festival this year.**

**Capture Motion!** is the title of a festival focus addressing movement, choreography and performance in unexpected, poetic and hilarious ways. **Miranda Pennell** is unmatched in her ability to merge the creative mediums of camera and body.

**Charlie Todd** and his playfully provocative Improv Everywhere performances are triumphant attempts at recapturing public space. Both artists will be present to introduce their work!

In keeping with the theme, **Set in Motion** contains a collection of beautifully weird choreographed short film highlights, while the other programme entitled **Feel Good with Bollywood** is absolutely self-explanatory!

#### PROGRAMMES

##### SP 01 / Miranda Pennell Retrospective

Hackesche Höfe Filmtheater – Cinema 2 / Thursday 6 Nov 2008 / 4pm  
Babylon Berlin:Mitte – Cinema 2 / Friday 7 Nov 2008 / 10pm

Miranda Pennell studied contemporary dance before turning to film direction in 1993. The focus of her work however, is entirely removed from the subject of contemporary dance, concentrating on the essence of movement itself. Pennell is inspired by the choreography found in everyday life, situations including teenage ice-skaters, bar-room brawls and marching soldiers. She skilfully contrasts this realist point of departure against formal, more stylised worlds.

Refer to <http://www.mirandapennell.com/films.html>

**SP 02 / Improv Everywhere - Charlie Todd & His Missions**

Hackesche Höfe Filmtheater – Cinema 3 / Friday 7 Nov 2008 / 9pm  
Hackesche Höfe Filmtheater – Cinema 5 / Sunday 9 Nov 2008 / 4pm

207 people suddenly freeze and stay glued to the spot five minutes long – in the middle of Grand Central Station. Odd exercises such as this bear Charlie Todd's signature. After founding the improvisational group Improv Everywhere in 2001, Todd and his group of undercover agents have achieved international notoriety, performing hilarious and thought-provoking scenes in a variety of public spaces.

Not only will Charlie Todd personally present excerpts from his missions in a live-show, he naturally plans on conducting a mission in Berlin too. Be there on Saturday 8 November 2008!

Refer to: <http://improveverywhere.com/>

**SP 03 / Set In Motion**

Hackesche Höfe Filmtheater – Cinema 2 / Friday 7 Nov 2008 / 6pm  
Babylon Berlin:Mitte – Cinema 3 / Saturday 8 Nov 2008 / 8pm  
Babylon Berlin:Mitte – Cinema 2 / Sunday 9 Nov 2008 / 6pm

The programme Set In Motion unites 'moving' and 'moving' short film highlights – from classics such as Tango by Zbigniew Rybczynski, to cult-films like Music For One Apartment and Six Drummers by Ola Simonsson as well as recent productions that juggle with rhythm, choreography and dance in beautifully weird ways.

**SP 04 / Feel Good with Bollywood**

Roter Salon / Wednesday 5 November 2008 / 9:30pm  
Hackesche Höfe Filmtheater – Cinema 2 / Friday 7 November 2008 / 12 midnight  
Babylon Berlin:Mitte – Cinema 3 / Saturday 8 Nov 2008 / 10pm

Opulent backdrops, thrilling choreography, rousing songs and rhythmical passion! With the friendly support of Rapid Eye Movies we'll be screening 13 dance scenes take from the most gorgeous Bollywood films of recent years, i.e.; Kabhi Khushi Kabhie Gham, Veer Zaara, Chalte Chalte and Main Hoon Na – and wouldn't you know it, Shahrukh Khan is in most of them!

Contact us if you would like to be sent footage relating to any of the particular programmes. You'll find related film stills on our web page:

[www.interfilm.de/festival2008/presse-fotos.php](http://www.interfilm.de/festival2008/presse-fotos.php).

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