

FILM FESTIVAL

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Screening Schedule Friday, June 25, 2021

11:00 am - 6:00 pm

Student Selects, 11:00 am

Connor & Annie - Directed by: Blake Bodlak – RT: 0:21:46 (USA) 'Connor & Annie' follows a pair of old friends as they rediscover their friendship and confront the things that forced them to separate in the first place all over the course of one night.

One Stolen Moment - Directed by: Michael Runde & Ben Friedman- RT: 0:17:08 (USA) On the weekend of March 13, 2020, four Loras College Athletics programs were ready to cap off what could have been the most successful year in school history. Four Loras seniors were prepared to end their collegiate careers as national champions. We will never know what might have happened.

I Wanna Be A Kid - Directed by: Sam Nickelson - RT: 0:02:31 (USA)

A collection of children's commercials for the real world, this subversive experimental film shows that when it comes to adulthood, some societal assembly is required.

The Duck and the Dragon - Directed by: Mason Beck - RT: 0:09:33 (USA) Therapist Vern (Bo Roche) helps his patient Timothy (Kendrick Dell) through a similar childhood trauma he himself faced, and learns to better cope with it himself.

Feature, 12:00 pm

Vinyl Nation - Directed by: Kevin Smokler & Christopher Boone - RT: 1:32:00 (USA) A documentary digging into the resurgence of vinyl records, the diversification of vinyl fans, and the connective power of music during our divided times.

Shorts, 1:45 pm

Ghost Creek - Directed by: Benjamin Handler - RT: 0:19:03 (USA)
Ghost Creek is a short film produced by Mission Creek that takes place in a seemingly empty Iowa City, a deserted city, a strange city stripped of its weirdness. The film serves as a reflection of the anxiety, hope, and understanding we achieve when our city loses the art, culture, and community that make it unique. It is a hymn to the value of art, of gathering, and of shared experience.

Screening Schedule Continued Friday, June 25, 2021 11:00 am - 6:00 pm



Hand Me Down - Directed by: Jon Bartholomew - RT: 0:10:55 (USA)

A family dramedy about a son's attempt at a quick exit from his parents' home. We follow his incredible escape from the grip of his father's long goodbye.

Feature, 2:30 pm

We Want the Airwaves - Directed by: Scott Ryan - RT: 1:22:00 (USA) Filmed over the course of 10 years, "We Want the Airwaves" chronicles the journey of a trio of first time TV makers as they set forth on a daring adventure. The group creates and films an activist focused docuseries ("Manifesto!") in the year 2005, with the goal of launching the first citizen's platform on network television. Cut from countless hours of behind-the-scenes footage and interviews with TV & Cultural insiders and outsiders, "We Want the Airwaves" follows the making of "Manifesto!" all while exposing the harsh realities of the ethically challenged unscripted television world.

Shorts, 4:00 pm

Pretty Ugly Dreams - Directed by: Severn Lang - RT: 0:16:00 (USA)

Nora Kaufferman would never jeopardize her broadway career, or would she? Her childhood dream comes true how far will she go to keep it?

Snowy - Directed by: Kaitlyn Schwalje & Alex Wolf Lewis - RT: 0:13:00 (USA) Snowy, a four-inch-long pet turtle, has lived an isolated life in the family basement. With help from a team of experts and his caretaker, Uncle Larry, we ask: Can Snowy be happy, and what would it take?

Feature, 4:45 pm

Reclaim Idaho - Directed by: Laura Wing-Kamoosi & Jim Kamoosi- RT: 1:01:00 (USA) With the lives of 62,000+ uninsured Idahoans at stake, a tiny grassroots team, led by a married couple with a newborn and almost no political experience, hit the road in an unreliable 1977 RV to campaign for the state's desperately needed Medicaid expansion bill. This is their story.