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The annual Princeton Student Film & Video Festival is sponsored by Princeton Public Library. Now in its ninth year, the festival continues its mission to encourage and support the work of youth filmmakers working in a range of genres and styles, providing a venue for the filmmakers to show their work to a broad audience. The festival is open to young people ages 14-25 from Princeton and beyond. There is no cost to enter.

Again this year, a selection of films from the Princeton Student Film & Video Festival will also screen at the Artist Visions Film Festival in nearby Lambertville, NJ, on Saturday, July 21. For more information about the Artist Visions Film Festival, visit www.acmescreeningroom.org

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“Lost in Translation” by Gabi Romagnoli
Genre: Comedy
Running Time: 1 minute, 41 seconds
Cultures collide after cars crash.

“Look Up” by Jake Oleson and Amanda Prager
Genre: Experimental, Music Video, Personal Narrative
Running Time: 4 minutes, 42 seconds
An imaginative child becomes fascinated with the idea of flying. He learns that everyone has dreams, but sometimes we need to let them go. Or, better yet, give them to someone else.

“Remains” by Riley Leung
Genre: Dramatic Feature
Running Time: 19 minutes, 57 seconds
For years, a father has neglected his family in Hong Kong to tend to his business in Mainland China. Back in Hong Kong after his own father’s death, the man discovers his son’s childhood diary. As he reads about his son’s life with his father, the man realizes that he has let his son’s childhood pass by him. Filled with regret for both his father and his son, the man decides to make an effort to mend his relationship with his son. However, is it already too little, too late?

“IrrealTime” by Manuel Ferrer Hernandez
Genre: Environmental, experimental
Running Time: 3 minutes, 30 seconds
Filmed over 40 days, this film uses photos taken once a minute to capture a slowly changing natural environment imperceptible to the human eye by the action of time.

“Lost* in Franklin County: Schools and Taxes in Rural Georgia (*Local Option Sales Tax)” by David Mitchell and Robert Quinn
Genre: Documentary
Running Time: 14 minutes, 47 seconds
On a rainy day in March 2011, residents of rural Franklin County, Georgia, located 100 miles northeast of Atlanta, went to the polls to vote on a local sales tax to raise funds for the county school system. The fate of the county’s sole high school, which was last renovated in 1964, hangs in the balance.

“Save the Children” by Matthew Elisofon
Genre: Comedy, mock-u-mentary
Running Time: 4 minutes, 11 seconds
This “infomercial” is a plea for a group of people who need help more than anyone else: liberal arts college graduates starving in Brooklyn.
“Kill Casual” by Ben Weiner and Charlie Guarino
Genre: Film Noir  
Running Time: 10 minutes, 30 seconds  
Set in 1960s Trenton, this dramatic film with some comedy relief tells the story of a man seeking to avenge his brother’s death.

“Ted the Troll” by Emily Parker
Genre: Animation  
Running Time: 2 minutes, 27 seconds  
This story, deriving from the traditional tale of “The Three Billy Goats Gruff,” explores fairytales, considering the pre-story lives of notable characters. The animation was produced in the style of a trailer, so that a rounded background story could be built up, as well as an atmosphere to help the audience feel sorry for the Troll.

“Shellshock” by John Corcoran
Genre: Action, dramatic feature  
Running Time: 10 minutes, 55 seconds  
Ireland, 1923: A young man, Padraig, returns home after having served in the British Army during World War I. He struggles to readjust to civilian life, his experiences of the trenches never far from his mind.

“‘Aviation Plaza’ by The Stolen” by Gem Aludino
Genre: Music Video  
Running Time: 3 minutes, 45 seconds  
The Stolen (based in Old Bridge, NJ) has their music video debut with their single, “Aviation Plaza”.

“Cave” by Philip Heinrich
Genre: Animation, Sci-Fi  
Running Time: 17 minutes, 10 seconds  
Phoebe, a young girl from the underground city of Anthropolis, wonders what lies beyond the cave her people call home.

“Paranormal Detectives” by Felicia Rogers
Genre: Mock-u-mentary  
Running Time: 10 minutes  
The story revolves around a struggling documentarian, his cameraman, and sound recordist who join a famous team of ghost hunters with their own reality show, “The Paranormal Detectives,” for one night of their investigation of the haunted Edana Theater.

“UNARTE” by Andreia Dobrota
Genre: Animation, comedy  
Running Time: 5 minutes, 13 seconds  
The journey of a young man who enrolls in the National University of Art, Bucharest, and how he finds a world filled with color and fantasy.
“All Hat No Cattle” by Ryan Moncrief and TJ Prohammer
Genre: Comedy
Running Time: 2 minutes, 56 seconds
Two young men try to come up with a strategy for talking to a girl.

“Beyond the Bicycle” by Holly Horne and Kevin Woods
Genre: Documentary
Running Time: 7 minutes
Second Life Bikes, a bicycle shop in Asbury Park, NJ expands its services by offering local youth the opportunity to work toward earning a bicycle, and by bringing a community together through the joy of bicycling.

“Night | Watch | Man” by Sam Cutler-Kreutz
Genre: Dramatic Feature
Running Time: 8 minutes, 24 seconds
A lonely night guard struggles between a wife he can’t see and a woman he can’t touch.

“Perhaps Never” by Melanie Ng
Genre: Abstract, experimental
Running Time: 9 minutes, 31 seconds
How do you deal with death when it feels like the memories keep playing in your head every single morning you wake up?

“two years, five months & six days” by Hannah Epstein
Genre: Documentary
Running Time: 4 minutes, 41 seconds
This short non-fiction film is about the filmmaker’s mother and her cancer survival. Told through her mother’s voice, the story captures the essence of their mother-daughter relationship.

“Out of the Basement” by Bob and Sam Venanzi
Genre: Documentary, Music Video
Running Time: 16 minutes, 30 seconds
Welcome to The Alamo, a basement venue owned by music enthusiasts that attracts bands of all sorts touring around the United States, from the perspective of a house member. Featuring bands 1994!, Thou, Captive, Eternal Fuzz, Dethroned Emperor, Grass is Green and more.

“Homemade” by Britt Raes
Genre: Animation, Personal Narrative
Running Time: 5 minutes, 16 seconds
In “Homemade,” we meet Bernadette, who has some very strange kitchen utilities. The movie depicts the relationship between men and women and shows how someone can feel very lonely even if when surrounded by others.
“Riptide” by Tim O’Connor
Genre: Dramatic Feature
Running Time: 8 minutes, 53 seconds
“Pull on your stockings, babe, the night’s getting cold.” An evening takes an unexpected turn when a dark rivalry is revealed.

“About the Size of a Human Heart” by Gregory Eagan
Genre: Abstract, comedy
Running Time: 10 minutes, 40 seconds
A man finds a rock the size of a human heart that produces water, like a spring. At first, he is unsure what to do, but then decides to take it to the post office and send it to people in need of water in Africa.

“Soeng” by Ho Tak Lam
Genre: Animation, music video
Running Time: 3 minutes, 44 seconds
In this animation, the protagonist works until midnight, with no time for him to dream or have social life. On his way home in the train station, he makes a decision, taking him a long distance train to escape the city, escape his life, to a place in his dreams. “Soeng” is a Cantonese direct translation of the Chinese character “想,” meaning “think, dream, believe and wish.” Going to Soeng means heading to your dream.

“Forbidden Fruit” by Travis Maiuro
Genre: Animation
Running Time: 2 minutes, 21 seconds
This is the story of an apple and a banana who fall in love to the dismay of their fellow fruit.

“I Don’t Know, Alaska!” by Dave Scala
Genre: Comedy/musical
Running Time: 19 minutes, 47 seconds
When recent college graduate gets cast as the lead of a new musical, her mother, a righteous community leader, vows to shut down the production down, forcing Maggie to choose between her responsibilities and her dream.
Screenings are intended for a teen and adult audience

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