



# CHICAGO SHORT FILM BRIGADE

Quarterly Screenings of Local & International Short Films

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## OUR MISSION

Film Brigade is dedicated to encouraging active production and appreciation of local and international short film. We believe the general public should be able to see first-rate short films in cozy, non-festival, non-academic environments where accessibility and community come first.

## Accomplishments In Our Premiere Year, 2007

### ONGOING SCREENINGS (Core Programming)

Each Film Brigade screening is a carefully constructed, cohesive program representing all genres of film. Attendees enjoy a comfortable, approachable venue and an uncommon selection of short films.

- Average show length is 90 minutes with intermission
- Primary location: The Hideout - Chicago, Illinois (with additional screenings in Dubuque, Iowa)
- 2007 Season Schedule: January, April, July, & October with "Best Of" in January 2008
- In 2007, each screening sold out (*Chicago 120+ , Dubuque 75+ attendees per show*)
- 2007 primary demographic: 21-45 year old professionals, students, and artists (diversified audience reached age 68)

### WIDE VARIETY OF SHORT FILMS

In 2007, Film Brigade presented 52 films from 10 countries (including Australia, Spain, France, Latvia, Sweden, England, and Mexico). Nine American states were represented.

- Types: Animated, Live-Action Narrative, Experimental, Documentary, Live-Action Comedy, and more
- Years films were made: 1971-2007
- Shortest film presented: 25 seconds / Longest film presented: 17 minutes

### ANNUAL AWARDS at the GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER

We have the great pleasure of bringing the season's best films to the deluxe environs of the Gene Siskel Film Center each year for a special screening and awards ceremony. The "Best of 07" presented thirteen films to a sold-out crowd. **The Audience Award of \$350 went to first-time director**, editor, narrator, cinematographer Steve Furman of Minnesota for RIDE OF THE MERGANSERS.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

In addition to core programming, we prepared "Show For Hire" short-film shows for clients:

- Bucktown Arts Festival; Chicago, Illinois (Aug. 25, 2007)
- KIA Motors "Drive-In" at Hideout Block Party; Chicago, Illinois (Sept. 8, 2007)
- "Voices" annual event hosted by Dubuque Museum of Art; Dubuque, Iowa (Sept. 15, 2007)

### FILM BRIGADE is a 501(c)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

- The Chicago Short Film Brigade NFP incorporated June 2006; EIN# 20-4791768
- IRS Non-Profit Organization determination July 2006
- State of Illinois sales-tax exempt organization #E9934-9981-01
- Mailing List: 560 email addressees / MySpace: 1250 "friends"

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