

### **PITCH**



JORIS (40) AND EVA (38) ARE MADLY IN LOVE. THEIR YOUNG LOVE SHIFTS INTO A HIGHER GEAR WHEN THEY INTRODUCE THEIR CHILDREN TO EACH OTHER FOR THE FIRST TIME. IS LOVE ENOUGH TO CONTINUE THE RELATIONSHIP?



#### **SYNOPSIS**

JORIS AND EVA ARE MADLY IN LOVE AND INTRODUCE THEIR CHILDREN, ELLA AND MISJA, TO EACH OTHER FOR THE FIRST TIME. WHAT HAD THE MAKINGS OF A BEAUTIFUL DAY TURNS OUT TO BE A CONFRONTATIONAL INCIDENT. THEIR PERFECT DAY TAKES A TUMBLE, AND EVA AND JORIS' YOUNG RELATIONSHIP STARTS TO SHOW CRACKS. TRUST IS BROKEN AND THEY SUDDENLY FEEL ALIENATED. THEIR RATIONALITY PULLS THEM APART, WHILE THEIR CHILDREN INCREASINGLY GROW MORE CLOSELY.

### **CAST**

# JORIS VALENTIJN DHAENENS

EVA LARA CHEDRAOUI

ELLA
HAZEL DHAENENS

MISJA HAMZA AVCI

#### **CREW**

DIRECTOR CHARLOTTE LYBAERT

WRITERS CHARLOTTE LYBAERT

**TIJMEN GOVAERTS** 

PRODUCERS MICHIEL DHONT

**LUKAS DHONT** 

DOP ANGELA OTTEN

EDITING FEBE SIMOENS

MUSIC NILS VERMEULEN

ART DIRECTION ANNA MAES

COSTUME LIESJE DE SMEDT

MAKE-UP VICKY DE FRE

SOUND WOLF DOYEN

COLOR GRADING FLORIAN KEIRSE

POSTPRODUCTION FLOW POSTPRODUCTION BE

#### DIRECTORS BIOGRAPHY



CHARLOTTE LYBAERT STUDIED FILM AT THE ROYAL ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS (KASK) AND ALSO OBTAINED HER MASTER'S DEGREE IN BIOENGINEERING AT GHENT UNIVERSITY. CHARLOTTE GRADUATED AS A DIRECTOR WITH THE SHORT FILM 'GYRE', WHICH WAS AWARDED BEST DEBUT AT THE LEUVEN SHORT FILM FESTIVAL 2019. WITH THIS SHORT FILM, SHE HAS ALSO WON A WILDCARD FICTION FROM THE FLEMISH AUDIOVISUAL FUND (VAF). THIS GAVE HER THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THE PROFESSIONAL SHORT FILM 'GUN' TOGETHER WITH CO-SCREENWRITER TIJMEN GOVAERTS.

#### DIRECTORS STATEMENT

WHILE WRITING GUN, I FOUND MYSELF IN A STAGE OF LIFE WHERE MANY AROUND ME, INCLUDING MYSELF, WERE STARTING A FAMILY. I HAD A FRONT ROW SEAT TO HOW, WITH TIME, OLD RELATIONSHIPS GAVE WAY FOR NEW CONNECTIONS. HOWEVER, DESPITE IMMENSE LOVE, BUILDING A NEW FAMILY WAS NOT SOMETHING YOU JUST DO IN A WHIFF.

WHEN TWO FAMILIES MERGE, THEY EACH BRING THEIR OWN "FAMILY CULTURE". THE CONTRAST OF THESE INCREDIBLY PERSONAL AND DIVERSE HABITS AND AGREEMENTS IS LIKELY TO MAKE BEING TOGETHER MORE COMPLEX THAN ONE WOULD LIKE. THE IDEA OF 'WANTING SOMETHING SO BADLY MYSELF BUT NEVERTHELESS FAILING TO SUCCEED' HAS CONTINUED TO INTRIGUE ME.

GUN FOCUSES ON THE EARLY STAGE OF THE RELATIONSHIP THAT SUDDENLY GAINS MOMENTUM WHEN ONE'S OWN HABITS ARE DISRUPTED. QUESTIONS ABOUT TRUST AND DOUBTS EMERGE. HOW WELL DO THEY REALLY KNOW EACH OTHER? A DAY THAT ENDS COMPLETELY DIFFERENTLY THAN IT HAD BEGUN.



#### TECHNICAL DETAILS

ORIGINAL TITLE
INTERNATIONAL TITLE
TYPE
CATEGORY
GENRE
ORIGINAL LANGUAGE
RUNNING TIME
ASPECT RATIO
COLOUR
SOUND FORMAT
RESOLUTION
AVAILABLE IN

**AVAILABLE FORMATS** 

YEAR OF PRODUCTION

PRODUCTION SHARE

**SUBTITLES** 

LOCATION

**DISTRIBUTION BELGIUM** 

GUN GUN SHORT FILM **FICTION** DRAMA **DUTCH 18 MIN** 1.85:1 **COLOUR 5.1 (+SUB) DOLBY** 1998 X 1080 **2D** DCP, H264, PRORESHQ **ENGLISH, FRENCH** 2022 **BELGIUM MAJORITY FLEMISH PRODUCTION** 

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### **FESTIVALS**



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