



















THE ASSEMBLY

INTERVIEWS FROM THE MIDDLE OF EVERYTHING

A FICTIONAL DOCUMENTARY
BY MALIN ERIXON

"PRIVILEGE IS WHEN YOU THINK SOMETHING IS NOT A PROBLEM BECAUSE IT'S NOT A PROBLEM TO YOU PERSONALLY." — DAVID GAIDER

EIGHT WHITE MEN MEET BY THE CAMPFIRE, AT THE BAR AND IN THE BATHHOUSE. AN ANIMATED SATIRE BASED ON INTERVIEWS OF PEOPLE FROM THE EPICENTER OF NORMS AND PRIVILEGES. WHO ARE THEY? WHAT DO THEY WANT? AND ARE THERE MORE EMOTIONS OTHER THAN HUNGRY, ANGRY, TIRED AND HORNY...? NAKEDLY THE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS REASON THEIR WAY TO THEIR OWN ROLES IN SOCIETY. MARK LEVENGOOD LONES HIS VOICE TO THE INTERVIEWER WHEN DOCUMENTARY AUDIO MATERIAL MEETS FICTIONAL CHARACTERS.

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BASED ON AUTHENTIC INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED BY MALIN ERIXON • IDEA, DIRECTOR AND SCRIPTWRITER MALIN ERIXON PRODUCERS MALIN ERIXON | GANZANDERES ANIMATION AND MARIO ADAMSON | SISYFOS FILM PRODUCTION • IN CO-PRODUCTION WITH SVERIGES TELEVISION | HELENA INGELSTEN • WITH SUPPORT FROM THE SWEDISH FILM INSTITUTE, FILM STOCKHOLM AND KONSTNÄRSNÄMNDEN (THE SWEDISH ARTS GRANTS COMMITTEE) • ANIMATION, DESIGN AND EDITING MALIN ERIXON • VOICES MARK LEVENGOOD AND EIGHT ANONYMOUS MEN • SOUND DESIGN AND SOUND RECORDING MARIO ADAMSON • SOUND MIX PATRIK STRÖMDAHL MUSIC AND PERFORMANCE CHRISTOFER AHDE • SONG LYRICS MALIN ERIXON • DRAMATURGICAL AND ARTISTIC ADVISOR JOHAN RIBE GRADING NILS FRIDÉN • GENRE ANIMATED FICTIONAL DOKUMENTARY, HYBRID • LENGTH 7 EPISODES Á 9 MIN & SHORT FILM 14.30 MIN LANGUAGE SWEDISH (ENGLISH SUB) • PITCHING FORUM NORDISK PANORAMA FILM FESTIVAL 2017 (NORDIC SHORT FILM MEET UP) • RELEASE 2020



GENTLEMEN, ANIMALS IN CAGES & OTHER ROLE MODELS

What does it mean to be a man? The potential to do really bad things and not care about oneself?

"To me, being a man means there's an animal in there... that you at all times have to keep in a... cage."



SHAME, VIOLENCE & A MEDIUM-SIZED DICK

Collective shame covers the assembly members in the jacuzzi at the bathhouse.

"The porn industry is a good example of an area that feels equal. You don't have to have a tight ass anymore. It's OK to be fat, old and ugly... I think that's nice."



STRUCTURES, NORMS & SOME "LGTB"

"You can have a quite comfortable and nice life as a white man.
And that's not all good."

"The bad thing about being a white man is... being a white man. You're not forced to be exposed to anything."



RELATIONSHIPS, LIMITATIONS & A MY LITTLE PONY

Are there more emotions other than hungry, angry, tired and horny...?

"I've never been affected by the fact that I am a man. It's hasn't been an issue for me."



SUCCESS, JUSTICE & SUPER COOL HAVING KIDS TOO

At the adventure camp in the woods, the men dig deep into their work-life and the reasons behind their career successes.

"I'm not very impressed when it comes to employment quotas. There's a reason why men earn more money than women."



FEMINISM, TRANS & THAT N-WORD

"As a man, it seems a bit gay to think you're a feminist."

Has feminism been hijacked and does the wording we choose to describe others matter?

"The wording we choose, is not very important. I use the N-word for example. But only with my friends. They know I mean it in a positive way."



POWER, RESPONSIBILITY & A LEBANESE BOSS

Might there be something to gain by sharing one's power?

"It's included in a privileged position to try to cover up and hide structural problems in society."



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ABOUT THE DIRECTOR | PRODUCER

Malin Erixon's previous films have been screened at film festivals all over the world – for example at the Sundance Film Festival, at Ottawa International Animation Festival, at Nordisk Panorama and at Stockholm International Film Festival – as well as at places like Studion at the Modern Museum of Art in Stockholm. She has received several nominations and awards for her work. For instance, in 2015 she was nominated for the Swedish Film Academy Award, Guldbagge, for Best Short Film.

FILMOGRAPHY (A SELECTION)

Sleep Incidents, 2016
But You Are a Dog, 2014
Benjamin's Flowers, 2012
Death by Heart, 2005
A Cabbageworm's Adventure, 2004

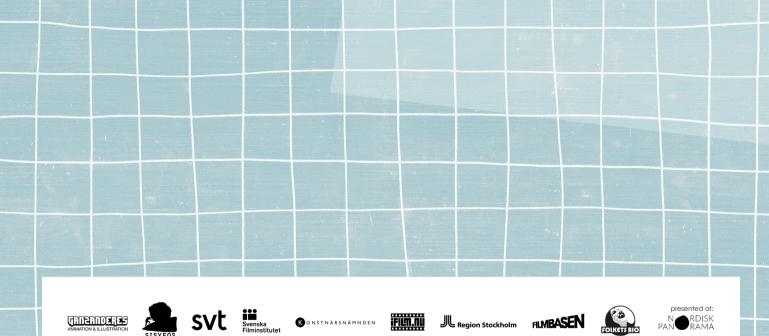
ABOUT THE PRODUCER

Mario Adamson has produced a number of internationally acclaimed films such as the multiple award-winning documentary "Scheme Birds", (best documentary award Tribeca FFS 2019) the animated short films "Still Born" (Swedish Academy Award for best short 2015) and "I am Round" (Premiered at Berlinale in 2011). Mario has been selected and participated in EURODOC 2019 and is an alumnus of the Sundance Intitute. Mario is originally a sound designer/composer with a career spanning three decades in the film industry.

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Merry Christmas, Yiwu, 2020 Scheme Birds, 2019 The Second shore, 2018 Still Born, 2014 Jag är rund, 2011























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