

## RUBY



Portugal, 2019, FIC, DCP, Colour, 25'

5.1, 16:9

Director: Mariana Gaivão

Producer: Pedro Duarte, [Primeira Idade](#)

Producer: Alexander Gerner

Producer: Mariana Gaivão

Script: Mariana Gaivão

Photography: João Ribeiro

Editing: Mariana Gaivão

Sound: Rafael Cardoso

Main Actors: Ruby Taylor, Millie Romer

Original Language: English, Portuguese

Subtitles: English

Synopsis: The chorus of dawn descends the burned mountain, echoing in the shale walls of a Portuguese village. Ruby awakens and stands in the half light. Outside, her dog Frankie has run away. Daughter of two worlds, the one that the English parents left behind and the Portuguese land of her upbringing that still calls her a foreigner, Ruby moves between the borders of both, without belonging to either. Her best friend, Millie, will be returning to England; the end of their childhood meets the end of a warm summer day.

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## Mariana Gaivão

Born in Lisbon, she studied Photography at Ar.Co and Directing at the National Conservatorium of Lisbon. She began her career as a film editor, having collaborated in films screened and awarded worldwide, in festivals such as Cannes, Berlin, Venice and Locarno. Her first short film, SOLO, was awarded the Best Short Film Award at the Montreal Film Festival, among others, after which she was selected for the Berlinale Talents as an emerging talent in Directing. She then directed "First Light", a carte blanche commissioned by the 42nd Du Nouveau Cinéma Festival, and, most recently, her new short film "RUBY". Her first documentary, a German-Portuguese co-production, is currently in it's shooting stage. Alongside this, she is also a programmer at Queer Lisboa - Queer International Film Festival, has taught Directing at ETIC - School of Innovation and Creation Technologies, and is a collaborator of the research line "A Philosophy of Human Technology", at the Center of Philosophy of Science of the University of Lisbon.

### Filmography:

- 2019 [RUBY](#)  
Portugal, 2019, FIC, DCP, Colour, 25'
- 2012 [SOLO](#)  
Portugal, 2012, FIC, HD, Colour, 21'

## Festival Selections

- 2019 Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival, Portugal

