

## O HOMEM DO LIXO (THE GARBAGE MAN)



Portugal, 2022, ANI, DOC, DCP, HD, Colour, 11'50"

Dolby Digital, 16:9

Director: Laura Gonçalves

Producer: Rodrigo Areias, [BANDO À PARTE](#)

Script: Laura Gonçalves

Sound: Pedro Marinho, Bernardo Bento

Music: Ricardo Santos Rocha

Animation: Inês Teixeira, Marta Reis Andrade, Alexandra Ramires, Vitor Hugo Rocha, Maria Francisca Moura, Dimitrije Mihajlovic, Laura Gonçalves

Animation Computer animation 2D

Technique:

Original Language: French, Portuguese

Subtitles: Spanish, French, Galician, English

Synopsis: On a hot August afternoon, the family gathered at the table remembers uncle Botão: the Colonial War, emigration to France, where he lived and worked thirty years as a garbage man. Memories of each are crossed to tell the story of a man who lived a hard life through humor and fantasy, like when he returned to Belmonte, in a van full of trash, turned into a real treasure.

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## Laura Gonçalves

In 2009 finishes her course at Fine Arts in Lisbon. After working in several animation films as inbetweener and art finalist, applies to the Animation MA at Arts University Bournemouth where she directs her first animation short "Three Weeks in December". In 2013 moves to Porto, where she works in BAP as an animator and painter, for several productions of BANDO A PARTE. In 2016 she co-directs with Alexandra Ramires (Xá), the animation short "Drop by Drop". In 2022 premieres her film "The Garbage Man". In 2024 premieres her most recent film co-directed with Alexandra Ramires "Percebes", produced by BAP Animation Studio, a Cooperative of which she is one of the founding members.

### Filmography:

- 2024 [PERCEBES](#)  
Portugal, France, 2024, ANI, DOC, DCP, Colour, 11'30"
- 2022 [O HOMEM DO LIXO](#)  
Portugal, 2022, ANI, DOC, DCP, HD, Colour, 11'50"
- 2017 [ÁGUA MOLE](#)  
Portugal, 2017, ANI, DOC, HD, Colour, 9'15"
- 2015 [NOSSA SENHORA DA APRESENTAÇÃO](#)  
Portugal, 2015, ANI, HD, Colour, 6'
- 2013 [TRÊS SEMANAS EM DEZEMBRO](#)  
Portugal, 2013, ANI, DOC, HD, Colour, 6'13"

### Festival Selections

- 2026 Parish Jersey International Film Festival, Channel Island
- 2026 Cineclube Cisma - Maio, Portugal
- 2025 Festival Abra Palabra, Spain

2025 Mostra de Filmes Humaniza, Portugal  
 2025 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Programa MiratecArts , Portugal  
 2025 Supertoona program (ANIMATED ŠIBENIK) , Croatia  
 2025 CortoLovere, Italy  
 2025 URDIDURA - Cinema na Fábrica, Portugal  
 2025 All Shorts Irvington Film Festival, USA  
 2025 Demachi-za screening, Japan  
 2025 (Camões) Mostra 25 de Abril - Ciclo de cinema "Dias do Cinema Europeu",  
 Germany  
 2025 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Março Programa Escolas, Portugal  
 2025 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Fev Programa Escolas, Portugal  
 2025 Filmhuis Cavia screening, Netherlands  
 2024 Azorean International Film Festival, Portugal  
 2024 Bilbao International Animation Community Animation Festival - ANIMAKOM  
 FEST, Spain  
 2024 Anim'est - KIN Festival, Romania  
 2024 Portuguese Film Festival in Seoul, Korea  
 2024 Animalcoi, Spain  
 2024 FEINAKI Beijing animation week - Best of Animafest Zagreb, China  
 2024 Arras Film Festival X MONSTRA, Portugal  
 2024 Agência Screening - Festival Internacional de Jóvenes Realizadores de Granada,  
 Spain  
 2024 Cinema no Estendal, Portugal  
 2024 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Outubro, Portugal  
 2024 Animage - Mostra "Retrospectiva 100 Anos Animação Portuguesa", Brazil  
 2024 Animagoria - Mostra de Filmes de Animação, Portugal  
 2024 Sessão Mutim - Elas Fazem Filmes, Portugal  
 2024 Cyber Sousa - Xiamen International Animation Festival, China  
 2024 Alpine International Short Film Festival, Austria  
 2024 Feinaki Summer Animation Carnival, China  
 2024 Résistances Festival de Films et Débats, France  
 2024 Cyclic Animation Theater, France  
 2024 MONSTRA à solta - Tavira, Portugal  
 2024 Annecy - Portuguese Focus, France  
 2024 Entre Curtas, Portugal  
 2024 Cinema no Estendal, Portugal  
 2024 Extensão - Ampla Odemira, Portugal  
 2024 Cardiff Animation Festival, United Kingdom  
 2024 Festa Cinema Italiano, Portugal  
 2024 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Abril, Portugal  
 2024 Bergamo Film Meeting - Portuguese Animation Program, Italy  
 2024 CGAI-Filmoteca de Galicia - Olhadas de mulher, Spain  
 2024 Anim'est - The Doc Animation Laboratory Yerevan, Romania  
 2024 Tehran International Animation Festival, Iran (Islamic Republic of)  
 2024 Cineclube de Faro - Ciclo sobre a Liberdade/ 25 de Abril, Portugal  
 2024 Animalusa Mostra de Cinema de Animação Português, Spain  
 2024 Shortcutz Lisboa - Janeiro, Portugal  
 2023 Município de Belmonte - Sessão Laura Gonçalves, Portugal  
 2023 IndieCork Film Festival, Ireland  
 2023 Femina – Festival Internacional de Cinema Feminino, Brazil  
 2023 Mostra Festival - Sessão Cinemateca "Geração de Hoje", Portugal  
 2023 FIFE - Festival International du Film d'Education, France  
 2023 YMOTION - Concurso e Mostra de Cinema Jovem de Famalicão, Portugal  
 2023 Festival Tous Courts, Rencontres Cinématographiques d'Aix-en-Provence, France

2023 Animateka - BAP Program, Slovenia  
2023 All About Us Film Festival, Hong Kong  
2023 Kettupäivät Social Cinema Film Festival, Finland  
2023 Les Rencontres du cinéma d'animation, France  
2023 Ciclo de Cinema Galego-Português "Mulleres, Patrimónios, Sociedade", Portugal  
2023 Shorts That Are Not Pants, Canada  
2023 Future Film Festival - Programa Mostra, Italy  
2023 European Film Festival - Fenêtres sur Court, France  
2023 Entre Olhares - Mostra de Cinema Português, Portugal  
2023 Ojai Film Festival, USA  
2023 FEINAKI Beijing animation week, China  
2023 China and Portuguese Languages Countries Film Festival, Macau  
2023 Exibição MONSTRA - Casa da Cerca de Almada, Portugal  
2023 REX Animation Film Festival, Sweden  
2023 ANIMARIO - International Animated Film Festival of Madrid, Spain  
2023 FILEM'ON - Brussels Children's Film Festival, Belgium  
2023 Cine-Clube da Ilha Terceira - Outubro, Portugal  
2023 Spektrum Film Festival, Poland  
2023 ReAnimania Yerevan International Animation Film Festival, Armenia  
2023 Festival Internacional de Filmets de Badalona, Spain  
2023 Festival Books and Movies - Casa da Animação, Portugal  
2023 Festival de Saint Paul trois châteaux, France  
2023 Family Film Project, Portugal  
2023 Cinemira- Budapest International Children's Film Festival, Hungary  
2023 Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival, Australia  
2023 Festival of Animation Berlin, Germany  
2023 TRANSILVANIA International Short Film Festival, Romania  
2023 CineMar - 3ª Mostra de Cinema Português de Relação com o Mar, USA  
2023 CRAFT International Animation Festival , Indonesia  
2023 Sessão do Recoopera, Portugal  
2023 Tocati international festival of traditional games, Italy  
2023 Festival de Setembro - Ourém, Portugal  
2023 Festival Internacional de Curtas de Verin, Spain  
2023 Animator FEST - European Youth Festival of Animated Film , Serbia  
2023 World Festival of Animated Film - Varna (Exibição Mostra), Bulgaria  
2023 Helsinki International Film Festival, Finland  
2023 Porto Femme - Ciclo de Cinema Agosto, Portugal  
2023 Cinema Lençol, Portugal  
2023 Turku Animated Film Festival, Finland  
2023 Animist Tallinn, Estonia  
2023 dotdotdot Open Air Short Film Festival, Austria  
2023 Cineclube de Viseu - Sessão Julho , Portugal  
2023 Cineclube de Faro - Julho, Portugal  
2023 Supertoona - International Animation Festival, Croatia  
2023 Cineclube Tavira - Julho, Portugal  
2023 Insomnia International Animation Film Festival, Russia  
2023 Cinema Jove International Film Festival, Spain  
2023 Fest Anca - International Animation Festival, Slovakia  
2023 Euganea FF, Italy  
2023 Festibérico Festival de Cinema Português e Espanhol, Netherlands  
2023 Psarokokalo - Athens International Short Film Festival, Greece  
2023 Exibição Comercial - Casa do Cinema de Coimbra, Portugal  
2023 (A)mostra de cinema português - Estremoz, Portugal  
2023 International Workshop on the Sharing Economy, Austria

2023 Bucharest Short Film Festival, Romania  
2023 Animatricks International Animation Festival , Finland  
2023 Maia BD - Festival Internacional de Banda Desenhada, Portugal  
2023 Doc Cevennes, France  
2023 Prémios Quirino de Animação Iberoamericana, Spain  
2023 Seattle International Film Festival, USA  
2023 GIRAF - Best of Giraf , Canada  
2023 Leiria Film Fest, Portugal  
2023 IMAXINARIA - Afundación International Animation Film Festival, Spain  
2023 Cinécran association, France  
2023 Tricky Women - International Animation Festival, Austria  
2023 Encontros de Cinema de Viana - Olhares Frontais, Portugal  
2023 Golden Harvest Film Festival, Taiwan  
2023 Anifilm - International Festival of Animated Films Trebon, Czech Republic  
2023 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Maio, Portugal  
2023 Close-Up International Film Festival, Canada  
2023 Brussels Short Film Festival, Belgium  
2023 ICOFF - Internacional Short Film Festival from Euskadi Capital, Spain  
2023 Animocje - International Animated Film Festival Bydgoszcz, Poland  
2023 International Film Festival of Uruguay, Uruguay  
2023 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Abril, Portugal  
2023 In The Palace International Short Film Festival, Bulgaria  
2023 Animation Dingle, Ireland  
2023 Festival D'Un Jour, France  
2023 La Boite Carrée, France  
2023 International Animation Short Film Festival of Roanne, France  
2023 SACO - Semana del Audiovisual Contemporáneo de Oviedo, Spain  
2023 Mostra Ampla, Portugal  
2023 Prémios Curtas, Portugal  
2023 Festival Internacional de Cinema Fantástico de Brasília, Brazil  
2023 "Acrescenta Um Ponto" por Maria Zimbro, Portugal  
2023 KLIKxHAFF (Kaboom Animation Festival), Netherlands  
2023 Academia Portuguesa de Cinema - Gala de Prémios Sophia, Portugal  
2023 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Março, Portugal  
2023 Play - Lisbon's International Kids Film Festival, Portugal  
2023 International Animation Film Festival of Catalonia, ANIMAC, Spain  
2023 Ler Cinema - Paredes de Coura, Portugal  
2023 ShortCutz Ovar - Fevereiro, Portugal  
2023 Cineclube do Porto - 8mm Fevereiro, Portugal  
2023 ANIMA, Brussels Internacional Animation Film Festival, Belgium  
2023 Ciné Junior - International Children and Teenagers Film Festival, France  
2023 Batalha Centro de Cinema - February, Portugal  
2023 IndieJúnior Allianz Porto, Portugal  
2023 Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival, France  
2023 Flickerfest - international Short Film Festival, Australia  
2023 MONSTRA à solta - Arras, France  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Cineclube de Guimarães, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Casa do Cinema de Coimbra, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Planetário do Porto, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Cinema Fernando Lopes, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - ESMAD, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Escola Superior de Teatro e Cinema, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Cineclube de Amarante, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Cineclube de Faro, Portugal

2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - ISMAI, Portugal  
2022 Afrodite Shorts, Italy  
2022 Bilbao International Animation Community Animation Festival - ANIMAKOM  
FEST, Spain  
2022 Les Arcs European Film Festival, France  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Cinemalua, Portugal  
2022 Passaggi d'Autore - Mediterranean Short Film Festival, Italy  
2022 Festival on Wheels, Turkey  
2022 AnimaPIX, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Sessões Escolares, Portugal  
2022 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Um Coletivo, Portugal  
2022 LIAF - London International Animation Festival, United Kingdom  
2022 GIRAF Animation Festival, Canada  
2022 Animateka International Animated Film Festival, Slovenia  
2022 Anilogue - International Animation Film Festival, Hungary  
2022 Frames Portuguese Film Festival, Sweden  
2022 Porto/Post/Doc: Film & Media Festival, Portugal  
2022 XXIV Madrid Short Film Festival, Spain  
2022 POFF Shorts - International Short Film and Animation Festival, Estonia  
2022 Programa Uma Ponte Com a Lusofonia, Spain  
2022 IDFA - International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam, Netherlands  
2022 Cinanima - International Animated Film Festival of Espinho, Portugal  
2022 Caminhos do Cinema Português, Portugal  
2022 Chicago International Children's Film Festival, USA  
2022 Animanima International Animation Festival, Serbia  
2022 Portuguese Cinema Days in Berlin, Germany  
2022 Casa da Animação - Prémio Nacional da Animação, Portugal  
2022 SPARK Animation Festival, Canada  
2022 Big Cartoon Festival, Russia  
2022 Extensão de Premiados MONSTRA - CAEP, Portalegre, Portugal  
2022 Valladolid International Film Festival, Spain  
2022 Bucheon International Animation Festival, Korea  
2022 Fredrikstad Animation Festival, Norway  
2022 RIGA International Film Festival, Latvia  
2022 Animaphix - International Festival of Animated Film, Italy  
2022 Anim'est International Animation Festival, Romania  
2022 Curt'Arruda - Festival de Cinema de Arruda dos Vinhos, Portugal  
2022 Animatou - International Animation Film Festival, Switzerland  
2022 PRIMANIMA World Festival of First Animations, Hungary  
2022 European Animated Film Festival Balkanima, Serbia  
2022 MANIFESTUM: Arte de Dizer - Programa Casa da Animação, Portugal  
2022 MANIFEST - Mafra Animation Film Festival, Portugal  
2022 Ottawa International Animation Festival, Canada  
2022 Porto Femme - Festival Internacional de Cinema, Portugal  
2022 Toronto International Film Festival, Canada  
2022 World Festival of Animated Film - Varna, Bulgaria  
2022 Rising of Lusitana - Animadoc Film Festival, Poland  
2022 International Short Film Festival in Drama, Greece  
2022 CineAvante'22, Portugal  
2022 Extensão de Premiados MONSTRA - Nikozi, Georgia  
2022 Animafest Zagreb - Award program in Zadar, Croatia  
2022 As Noites de Boris - Casa da Animação, Portugal  
2022 imaginaria International Animation Film Festival, Italy  
2022 Extensão de Premiados MONSTRA - mlilmo, Leiria, Portugal

2022 SantaCurtas - Screenings Funchal , Portugal  
2022 Flipbook Film Festival, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia  
2022 Countryside Animafest Cyprus, Cyprus  
2022 Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival, Portugal  
2022 Annecy - International Animation Film Festival, France  
2022 Anibar Animation Festival, Kosovo  
2022 Animafest - World Festival of Animated Films Zagreb, Croatia  
2022 Curtas Vila do Conde - 1º Turma Curtas , Portugal  
2022 MONSTRA à Solta - Noite dos Museus, Casa das Imagens, Setúbal, Portugal  
2022 Underexposed Film Festival yc, USA  
2022 Monstra Lisboa Animated Film Festival, Portugal

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