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Portugal, Switzerland, 2023, FIC, HD, Colour, 24'44"

5.1, Flat

Director: Basil da Cunha

Producer: [Batalha Centro de Cinema](#)

Producer: [ARQUIPÉLAGO FILMES](#)

Script: Basil da Cunha

Photography: Vasco Viana

Editing: Basil da Cunha

Sound: Rafael Cardoso

Main Actors: Jason Varela, Camila Diniz

Original Language: Criole, Portuguese

Subtitles: Germany, Spanish, French, English, Portuguese

Synopsis: A clandestine neighbourhood in Lisbon wakes up to the news of a violent police raid, which took place the night before. Camila, a 7-year-old girl, goes to search for her brother. She's worried. Her brother is missing. At the same time, Jysone is in a hurry: after 6 years in jail and 5 weeks free, Jysone has finally found work and knows he can't be late. He is looking for someone who can give him a ride as he walks through the alleys of the neighbourhood, where he comes across friends and acquaintances, which delay him even more. The fate of our two protagonists will end up intersecting in the worst possible way.

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Basil da Cunha

Swiss director of Portuguese origin, Basil da Cunha was born in 1985. Alongside his studies in political science and sociology, he made several self-produced short films before co-founding Thera Production. In 2009, he began his film training at the Head University in Geneva.

In his first year, Basil made the film “A Côté”, which was nominated for the Prix du Cinéma Suisse 2010 and awarded the Best National Film Award at Curtas Vila do Conde 2010. At the end of 2010, he filmed “Sunfish” in Lisbon. This film was presented at the Quinzaine des Réalisateurs (Cannes) in 2011. In 2012, he directed “Os Vivos Também Choram” and was selected, for the second consecutive year, at the Quinzaine des Réalisateurs at Cannes. Encouraged by the special mention of the Quinzaine des Réalisateurs jury and numerous international awards, he made his first feature film “After the Night”, with its world premiere at the Quinzaine des Réalisateurs, in 2013. The film was also shown at the São Paulo Film Festival and at the Locarno Festival.

Basil gave a first workshop in the Film Department, Haute École D’art et de Design – Geneva (HEAD), before joining the team in 2013 on a permanent basis.

In 2014, Basil da Cunha directed “Nuvem Negra”, an experimental film within the framework of the Biennale of the Moving Image (Geneva). His most recent feature film, “The End of the World”, had its world premiere in Locarno and was screened at other prestigious festivals, such as Busan, Milan and São Paulo. It was awarded at Les Arcs and Valladolid before winning Best Cinematography at the Prix du Cinéma Suisse in 2020.

Filmography:

- Portugal, Switzerland, 2023, FIC, HD, Colour, 24'44"
- 2023 [N2WEM](#)
Portugal, Switzerland, 2011, FIC, 35mm, HD, Colour, 30'
- 2019 **THE END OF THE WORLD**
- 2013 **AFTER THE NIGHT**
- 2012 **OS VIVOS TAMBÉM CHORAM**
FIC, Cor, 30'
- 2009 **A CÔTÉ**
- 2008 **LA LOI DU TAILON**
- 2007 **LE MUR**

Festival Selections

- 2024 Sessão IPDJ Faro, Portugal
- 2024 S16 Film Festival, Nigeria
- 2024 Macau International Short Film Festival, Macau
- 2024 Festival Tous Courts, Rencontres Cinématographiques d'Aix-en-Provence, France
- 2024 Passaggi d'Autore - Mediterranean Short Film Festival, Italy
- 2024 ISFF Leuven - Focus on Portugal, Belgium
- 2024 ShortCutz Ovar - Novembro, Portugal
- 2024 Porto/Post/Doc: Film & Media Festival, Portugal
- 2024 Miradas Medellín, Colombia
- 2024 Cinema Insuflável - Novembro Jardins Bombarda, Portugal
- 2024 International Cinematographers Film Festival - Ostrava Kamera Oko, Czech Republic
- 2024 OKO International Ethnographic Film Festival, Bulgaria
- 2024 Tangier Film Festival, Morocco
- 2024 Lobo Fest - International Film Festival, Brazil
- 2024 Short film night Burghausen, Germany
- 2024 Agência Screening - Festival Internacional de Jóvenes Realizadores de Granada, Spain
- 2024 IndieCork Film Festival, Ireland
- 2024 Kutaisi International Short Film Festival, Georgia
- 2024 Bolton International Film Festival, United Kingdom
- 2024 Altitude Film Festival, Portugal
- 2024 Kino Kosova Film Festival in Bern, Switzerland
- 2024 Festival Internacional de Curtas de Verin, Spain
- 2024 OKO International Ethnographic Film Festival, Ukraine
- 2024 FICBUEU - Festival Internacional de Cortometrajes de Bueu, Spain
- 2024 CineAvante'24, Portugal
- 2024 ELBE DOCK Festival, Czech Republic
- 2024 Interaction: Short Docs Festival, Serbia
- 2024 Concorso Film Festival, Italy
- 2024 DRIM Short Film Festival, North Macedonia
- 2024 Solarkino, Switzerland
- 2024 Festival Ibérico de Cinema de Badajoz, Spain
- 2024 Tabor Film Festival, Croatia
- 2024 Psarokokalo - Athens International Short Film Festival, Greece
- 2024 Cinema Jove Festival Internacional de Cine - Curt Creixent, Spain

2024 Art Film Fest - International Film Festival, Slovakia
2024 Vienna Short Festival, Austria
2024 BELDOCS - International Documentary Film Festival, Serbia
2024 Le Cri du court, France
2024 Encontros de Cinema de Viana - Olhares Frontais, Portugal
2024 2º Forum dos Portugueses de Suíça - Comemoração do 50º aniversário do 25 Abril
1974, Switzerland
2024 Brussels Short Film Festival, Belgium
2024 BUSAN Short FF, Korea
2024 ICOFF - Internacional Short Film Festival from Euskadi Capital, Spain
2024 Go Short International Short Film Festival Nijmegen, Netherlands
2024 Glasgow Short Film Festival, United Kingdom
2024 Winterthur - Kurzfilmnachtou Nuit du Court Métrage" Tour, Switzerland
2024 Academia Portuguesa de Cinema - Gala de Prémios Sophia, Portugal
2024 Close-Up International Film Festival, Canada
2024 Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival, France
2024 Journées de Soleure, Switzerland
2024 Vilnius International Short Film Festival, Lithuania
2024 Caminhos do Cinema Português - Best of (Janeiro), Portugal
2023 Há Filmes na Baixa! - Porto/Post/Doc, Portugal
2023 International Short Film Festival Leuven, Belgium
2023 Festival Cinéma Jeune Public, Switzerland
2023 Gijón International Film Festival, Spain
2023 Porto/Post/Doc: Film & Media Festival, Portugal
2023 Caminhos do Cinema Português, Portugal
2023 International Short Film Festival Winterthur, Switzerland
2023 Entre Olhares - Mostra de Cinema Português, Portugal
2023 Extensão Curtas Vila do Conde - Cinema Ideal, Portugal
2023 MDOC - Melgaço International Documentary Film Festival, Portugal
2023 Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival, Portugal
2023 International Kurzfilmtage Oberhausen, Germany
2023 Visions du Réel - Festival International de Cinema, Switzerland