AS GAIVOTAS CORTAM O CÉU
(SEAGULLS CUT THROUGH THE SKY)



Portugal, France, 2023, FIC, DCP, HD, B&W, 18'
Dolby SR, 1:1.85

Director: Mariana Bártolo, Guillermo Galoe
Producer: Rodrigo Areias, BANDO À PARTE
Producer: Dominique Welinski, DW Production
Script: Mariana Bártolo, Guillermo Galoe
Editing: Luís Costa
Photography: Marta Simões
Sound: Luís Silveira, Vasco Carvalho
Assistant Director: Ricardo Freitas
Main Actors: Sandra Salomé, Constança Carvalho Homem, Maria Gil, Joaquim Castro, António Moreira, Ricardo Mateus
Original Language: Portuguese
Subtitles: Spanish, French, English
Synopsis: Dense atmosphere of change and union strikes in Porto's harbor. Clara, owner of a fishermen's bar threatened by closure, finds in the arms of Raquel, waitress on cruise ships, the only shelter to express her fears and contradictions.

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Mariana Bártolo

Lives between Germany and Portugal. She is a filmmaker, performer, and multimedia artist. She studied at Academy of Media Arts Cologne and graduated at Escola Superior de Dança Lisbon in 2008. Her recent films “Mansa” (2021) and “Whale Beards” (2021) opened in international festivals, such as Palm Springs Shortfest, Oberhausen, IndieLisboa, Osnabrück and Max Opüls Preis. She has been involved in various productions with performance and documentary and develops parallel projects of photography, installation, and drawings. She is currently working on her new documentary film “At the table” and collaborating in the development of the series “Em banho maria” and the intermedia project “The loss of the night”.

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Guillermo Galoe

Born in Madrid, his works premiered at Cannes, San Sebastián, IDFA, Curtas Vila do Conde, Ann Arbor among other festivals, and have won two Goya awards. His short film ‘Aunque es de Noche’ (2023) premiered in the Festival de Cannes Official Selection, won the Goya for Best Short Fiction Film and was part of the César 2025 Official Selection. Also at Cannes in 2023, he premiered his short film ‘As Gaivotas Cortam o Céu’ at the Quinzaine des Cinéastes. His first fiction feature film ‘Ciudad Sin Sueño’ (2025) premiered in Cannes at La Semaine de la Critique. In 2020, he received the Princess of Girona Award for Arts and Literature.

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Festival Selections

2026 Cineclube de Joane - Junho, Portugal
2026 Filmoteca de Galicia - Retrospective Guillermo Galoe, Spain
2026 PinX LGBTQIA+ film festival, Belgium
2025 Festival Rizoma, Spain
2025 Pink Screens Film Festival, Belgium
2025 Zinegoak - Festival Internacional de Cine Gay - Lesbo - Trans de Bilbao, Spain
2024 Macau International Short Film Festival, Macau
2024 Shortcutz Chaves - November, Portugal
2024 Mix Brasil Festival Culture of Diversity, Brazil

2024 QUEERSICHT Filmfestival, Switzerland
2024 Entre Olhares - Mostra de Cinema Português, Portugal
2024 Oslo/Fusion International Film Festival, Norway
2024 CineMar - 4ª Mostra de Cinema Português de Relação com o Mar, USA
2024 Vilnius queer festival “kreives”, Lithuania
2024 Batalha Centro de Cinema - Setembro, Portugal
2024 Rio LGBTQIA+ International Film Festival, Brazil
2024 KASHISH Mumbai International Queer Film Festival, India
2024 Leiria Film Fest, Portugal
2024 Porto Femme - Festival Internacional de Cinema, Portugal
2024 Festa Cinema Italiano, Portugal
2024 REGARD - Saguenay International short film festival, Canada
2024 Academia Portuguesa de Cinema - Gala de Prémios Sophia, Portugal
2024 ShortCutz Ovar - Fevereiro, Portugal
2024 Shortcutz Guimarães - North Factory Screening, Portugal
2024 Medina del Campo Film Festival, Spain
2024 Ler Cinema - Paredes de Coura Fevereiro, Portugal
2023 ODMC - Cinemateca Portuguesa, Portugal
2023 ODMC - Cinema Ideal (Sessão Especial), Portugal
2023 Cineclube do Porto - Novembro, Portugal
2023 Festival du film LGBT de Paris "Chéries Chéris", France
2023 PinkPanorama Festival, Switzerland
2023 Caminhos do Cinema Português, Portugal
2023 Melbourne Queer Film Festival, Australia
2023 VI Mar Film Festival, Portugal
2023 Cinemed – Montpellier International Mediterranean Film Festival, France
2023 VISTACURTA - Festival de Curtas de Viseu, Portugal
2023 Manaki Brothers International Cinematographers' Film Festival, Republic of Macedonia
2023 Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival, Portugal
2023 Directors’ Fortnight, France

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