

We Like 'Em Short

Annual film festival set for Aug. 12-15



Submitted
"Pigeon" is featured in the We Like 'Em Short film festival.



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"On/Off" is one of the animation submissions in this year's festival.

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BAKER CITY — The 12th-annual We Like 'Em Short film festival features 74 films from around the world.

One is only 40 seconds long.

"It amazes me how much storytelling can be done in such a short time," said Brian Vegter, festival director.

The festival is Aug. 12-15. All five screenings will be at Churchill School, 3451 Broadway St. (enter through the parking lot on 16th Street).

The festival opens Thursday, Aug. 12, with a free, family-friendly screening — drive-in style — at 8 p.m. Parking is "first come, first parked." Attendees are welcome to sit in lawn chairs outside their vehicles.

WE LIKE 'EM SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

Aug. 12-15
\$8 per screening
\$30 festival pass
www.welikeemshort.com

The rest of the schedule is:

- Friday, Aug. 13: 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 14: 1 p.m. (family-friendly), and 7 p.m.

- Sunday, Aug. 15: 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 per screening, or \$30 for a festival pass. These are available online at www.welikeemshort.com or at the door.

Vegter said each screening features 13 to 16 films.

"You get to see a huge variety of how these filmmakers see the world," he said.

Submissions came from the United States, The Netherlands,

Germany, New Zealand, Iran, Italy, Canada, Cambodia, and more. All selections are either comedy or animation. Several were inspired by COVID-19 and quarantine and Vegter said it's interesting to see "how each filmmaker took a different approach to tell that story."

A program is available online at www.welikeemshort.com. Also check updates on Facebook.

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