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A FILM BY GUY LICHTENSTEIN

# BIRTHDAY PRESENT

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## PRESS INFORMATIONS

**It is Tomer's birthday and Clara's last night in Jerusalem  
when their short affair takes an unexpected turn.**

On their last night together Clara, a young Austrian tourist, and Tomer, an Israeli student, find themselves on an unexpected search for the “morning after pill”. Cultural and personal gaps create distance between them. Tomer and Clara try to open up to each other, but every opportunity for closeness is interrupted by the outside world. With multicultural Jerusalem as a backdrop, they are confronted with the realities of two worlds apart.

*Israel / Austria 2014, DCP, 25min, 1:2,35, color, Dolby Stereo  
English, Hebrew, French, subtitles available in English or German*

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Produced at the Department for Film & TV of the University for Music and Performing Arts Vienna executive producers SIMON BAUMGARTNER PAUL STREN ULI MÜLLER-URI production managers SIMON BAUMGARTNER PAUL STREN line producer KOBI AZRAN cinematographer GEORG GEUTEBRUECK set-design ORTAL SHOTLAND location sound LAURA ENDRES screenplay editor ALBERT MEISL editor ALEXANDER RAUSCHER 1st camera assistant ANNA BALTL gaffer MATTHIAS GANSTER key grip & electrician PETER (PINO) PEJANOVIC make up artist ZHLIL SHAY MEIR SHRIKI casting SHIRA KATZENELNBOGEN JASMIN BAUMGARTNER catering GAL FRIEDMAN vfx ANDI DAXER DAVID TEICHERT colorist ANDI WINTER artwork BEN WEHR original score ALON LOTRINGER sound design RUDOLF POTOTSCHNIG ADR recordist TONG ZHANG GAL GOREN foley artist TONG ZHANG mixed by THOMAS POETZ  
written and directed by GUY LICHTENSTEIN

26th Festival Premiers Plans Angers / FR 2014

*\*\*\* world premiere*

28th Leeds International Film Festival / UK 2014

17th Brussels Short Film Festival / BE 2014

11th Vienna Independent Shorts / AT 2014

30th Haifa International Film Festival / IL 2014

11th Jameson CineFest Miskolc / HU 2014

*\*\*\* best shortfilm*

4th Aesthetica Short Film Festival / UK 2014

9th Filofest Ljubljana / SI 2014

4th Ascona Film Festival / CH 2015

16th Landshuter Int. Short Film Festival / DE 2015

4th Kyiv Int. Short Film Festival / UA 2015

8th Lviv Int. Short Film Festival / UA 2015

22th OpenEyes Film Festival Marburg / DE 2015

8th Localize Berlin Potsdam / DE 2015

3rd Ariano Int. Film Festival / IT 2015

6th New York Independent Film Festival / USA 2015

19th UK Jewish Film Festival / UK 2015

6th Avvantura Film Festival Zadar / HR 2015

20th Portobello Film Festival London / UK 2015

### Director's Biography

Guy Lichtenstein was born and raised in Tel Aviv, Israel. He completed his undergraduate studies at Tel Aviv University's Faculty of Arts before spending a year at the Sam Spiegel Film & Television School in Jerusalem. In 2010 he began studying film direction at the University for Music and Performing Arts Vienna, Austria under master-director Michael Haneke with whose guidance he directed *Birthday Present*, his graduation film.

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