

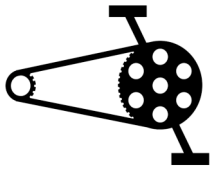
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2009 MELBOURNE BICYCLE FILM FESTIVAL
FILM PROGRAM BY DAY

<p>Program 1 Thursday 26 November 7pm Opening Night Feature (95min) MADE IN QUEENS USA 2008 Video 10min.</p> <p>WHERE ARE YOU GO Canada 2009 75min</p>	<p>Program 3 Friday 27 November 7pm Friday Feature (99min) TRAIN TRIP USA 2006 miniDV/Super8/Still Images 14min.</p> <p>I LOVE MY BICYCLE: THE STORY OF FBM BIKES USA 2009 HDV 75 min.</p>
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<p>Program 2 Thursday 26 November 9pm Fun Bike Shorts (89min) BIKES (BICICLETTE) Italy 2006 miniDV 5min.</p> <p>THOUGHTS ON MY BIKE Canada 2009 HDV 5min.</p> <p>KRITSADA PRATHUMMA Thailand 2008 HDV 4min.</p> <p>CURIOSITY USA 2008 HD 6min.</p> <p>BICYCLE, LOVE LASTS FOREVER Italy 2009 HD 1min.</p> <p>COOKING UP BIKE CO-OPS IN LOS ANGELES USA 2008 Video 5min.</p> <p>THE FORCE UK 2009 DV 7min.</p> <p>VIRTUOUS CHAPTER 10 SWITZERLAND 2008 HD 5min.</p> <p>I LOVE BIKES England 2009 xDcamHD 1080p 4min.</p> <p>THE BICYCLE COWBOY USA 2009 HD 10min.</p> <p>-40°C Canada 2007 miniDV 14min.</p> <p>THE SCRAPER BIKE KING USA 2009 16mm 13min.</p>	<p>Program 4 Friday 27 November 9pm Urban Bike Shorts (87min) EMPIRE USA 2009 24p HD DVCPRO 5min.</p> <p>ONE LESS HORSE France 2009 Video 3min.</p> <p>SAFARI LONDON UK 2009 HD 4min.</p> <p>THE MESSENGER'S CREED USA 2009 HD 720p 2min.</p> <p>MADE IN QUEENS USA 2008 Video 10min.</p> <p>KANT Japan 2009 DVD 4min.</p> <p>POLO MANUAL UK 2009 DVCPRO HD 10min.</p> <p>PIXEL GEAR BIKES!! RIDE SAFE, RIDE FAST, RIDE FREE Spain 2009 Video 1min..</p> <p>THE SCRAPER BIKE KING USA 2009 16mm 13min.</p> <p>BROADWAY BOMBER/BRIDGE BATTLE USA 2009 HD 14min..</p> <p>ANIMA D'ACCIAIO (SOUL OF STEEL) USA/Italy 2009 HD 11min. USA 2009 16mm 13min.</p>
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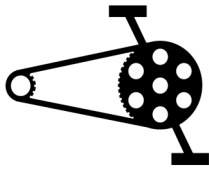
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<p>Program 5 Saturday 28 November 7pm Saturday Shorts (87min) PARASOL USA 2008 Digital Still Photos 9min.</p> <p>PARIS VISION France 2009 HD Video 5min.</p> <p>RED HOOK CRITERIUM USA 2009 HD 9min.</p> <p>WHERE DO YOU START WHERE DO YOU STOP USA 2009 HD 10min.</p> <p>A BICYCLE TRIP Italy 2008 Betacam 4min.</p> <p>WOLFPACK HUSTLE: All City Team Race 2 USA 2008 DV 6min.</p> <p>FRIENDS WE LOVE FEATURING ELLIS GALLAGHER USA 2009 DV 5min.</p> <p>PREGO-CYCLE : THE BIRTH OF KADEN MAXIMO BOBE USA 2009 HD 3min.</p> <p>28.6 Italy 2009 HDV 4min.</p> <p>LE DERNIER VOYAGE OF MARYSE DE LUCAS FRANCE 2008 22min.</p>	<p>Program 6 Saturday 28 November 9pm Encore Feature (95min) MADE IN QUEENS USA 2008 Video 10min.</p> <p>WHERE ARE YOU GO Canada 2009 75min</p> <p>All programs feature a pre-screening package showcasing short-listed entries in the City of Melbourne Road Harmony Short Film Competition.</p> <p>ALL BFF Film Programs have been exempt from Classification by the OFLC and are therefore rated R18+</p> <p>Founding Director Brendt Barbur and BFF filmmakers are available for interview (via phone / email) and hi-res images are available upon request.</p>
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See over for film details listed alphabetically



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-40°C

PROGRAM 2

Canada 2007 | miniDV 14min.

Dir. Paul Davis

An on call teacher bikes to work at -40 degrees in total darkness, ice fog and temperatures that snap steel!

28.6

PROGRAM 5

Italy 2009 | HDV 4min.

Dir. Camilla Candida Donzella

A conversation with one of the most respected framebuilders the world over.

ANIMA D'ACCIAIO (SOUL OF STEEL)

PROGRAM 4

USA/Italy 2009 | HD 11min.

Dir. Daniel Leeb

A Portrait of the legendary Italian Frame Builder Giovanni Pelizzoli aka "Ciocc" . Ciocc shares his wisdom and life story while hand building a revolutionary new frame for urban fixed gear cycling. Ciocc demonstrates that the tradition and craft of frame building's Golden age can be re-born and push the technical frontier of Cycling's future. Also feaures Ed "Wonka" La Forte and Antonio Colombo with an original soundtrack by Blonde Redhead.

A BICYCLE TRIP

PROGRAM 5

Italy 2008 | Betacam 4min.

Dir. Lorenzo Veracini, Nandini Namblar, Marco Avoletta

Basel, 19 April 1943. Dr. Albert Hofmann, a chemist, is cycling home after a days work in the laboratory. This episode has passed into legend, associated with the discovery of the effect on the human psyche of LSD. The film tells the story of this famous "trip", imagining an unconventional psychedelic of the '40s.

BICYCLE, LOVE LASTS FOREVER

PROGRAM 2

Italy 2009 | HD 1min.

Dir. Federicao Floridi & Pipe Gang

Do you remember your first bike? What about your second, third and fourth?

BIKES (BICICLETTA)

PROGRAM 2

Italy 2006 | miniDV 5min.

Dir. Mannamanna Group

A light-hearted film set in Italy where you only see people from their knees down. It's the point of view of a pedal!

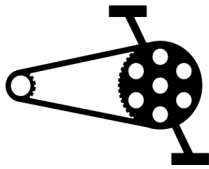
BROADWAY BOMBER/BRIDGE BATTLE

PROGRAM 4

USA 2009 | HD 14min.

Dir. Lucas Brunelle

Lucas never ceases to amaze viewers with the first person perspective video from his helmet-cams. Close calls and dangerous streets shows urban cycling at its finest.



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COOKING UP BIKE CO-OPS IN LOS ANGELES

PROGRAM 2

USA 2008 | Video 5min.

Dir. Clarence Eckerson Jr.

This short gives a taste of the thriving bicycle co-op culture in Los Angeles.

CURIOSITY

PROGRAM 2

USA 2008 | HD 6min.

Dir. Chiara Clemente

Every child's dream is to take a shovel and dig a hole to the other side of the world. Two girls from Tokyo and New York become friends.

EMPIRE

PROGRAM 4

USA 2009 | 24p HD DVCPRO 5min.

Dir. Luke Stiles & Christian Thormann

Empire is a film about having fun riding your bike in the city.

FRIENDS WE LOVE FEATURING ELLIS GALLAGHER

PROGRAM 5

USA 2009 | DV 5min.

Dir. Michael Vargas & Moni Pineda

Brooklyn street artist Ellis G. takes us on a personal ride through his creative process and the defining moment that led him to his signature style of shadow-based outlines.

I LOVE BIKES

PROGRAM 2

England 2009 | xDcamHD 1080p 4min.

Dir. Phoebe Fraser

Interviews with three very different riders on why they love their bikes.

I LOVE MY BICYCLE: THE STORY OF FBM BIKES

PROGRAM 3

USA 2009 | HDV 75 min.

Dir. Joe Stakun

In reaction to big business BMX companies in the early 90's, 17-year-old Steve Crandall started a company of his own called Fat Bald Men (FBM). What began as selling t-shirts out of a backpack has turned into one of the most well respected DIY bicycle companies around. Through fortune and misfortune, the film follows FBM through their 15 years of mayhem as told by Crandall and the rest of the BMX bicycle community from close friends to influential icons like Dave Mirra and Mat Hoffman.

KANT

PROGRAM 4

Japan 2009 | DVD 4min.

Dir. Kazuto Nakamura & Ikuma Ootsubo

Yokohama fixed gear riders having fun with friends.

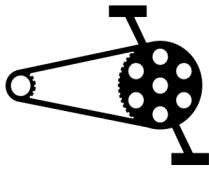
KRITSADA PRATHUMMA

PROGRAM 2

Thailand 2008 | HDV 4min.

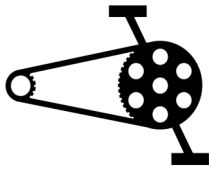
Dir. Christopher San Agustin

What it's like to be a bike shop owner in Thailand and a BMX pro flatlander.



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- LE DERNIER VOYAGE OF MARYSE DE LUCAS** PROGRAM 5
FRANCE 2008 | 22min.
Dir. Artus De Lavilleon, David Ledoux
David and Artus ride to the town where Artus' mother is from to scatter her ashes.
- MADE IN QUEENS** PROGRAM 1, 4 & 6
USA 2008 | Video 10min.
Dir. Joe Stevens & Nicolas Randall
Last summer in Queens, NY a group of imaginative tinkerers from Trinidad created something no one had ever seen before: enormous stereo systems jury rigged onto ordinary bmx bikes. Traveling together they treat the neighbourhood to an outrageous impromptu music and dance party on wheels.
- ONE LESS HORSE** PROGRAM 4
France 2009 | Video 3min.
Dir. Yorgo Tloupas, Benjamin. Seroussi & Patrice Meignan
Three horse polo players go head to head with three bike polo players.
- PARASOL** PROGRAM 5
USA 2008 | Digital Still Photos 9min.
Dir. Webster Crowell
An animated story of speed, bikes and dancing drawn across the surface of a few thousand paper parasols.
- PARIS VISION** PROGRAM 5
France 2009 | HD Video 5min.
Dir. Renaud Skyronka
Bike polo, tricks and fixed gears in the "city of lights" Paris.
- PIXEL GEAR BIKES!! RIDE SAFE, RIDE FAST, RIDE FREE** PROGRAM 4
Spain 2009 | Video 1min.
Dir. Simon Bericua Lopez
Pixel Gear Bikes!!! Is an animation based on the Paperboy 2 videogame from the 1980s.
- POLO MANUAL** PROGRAM 4
UK 2009 | DVCPRO HD 10min.
Dir. Brendan McNamee
Like an instruction manual on bike polo, but with the pages out of order.
- PREGO-CYCLE : THE BIRTH OF KADEN MAXIMO BOBE** PROGRAM 5
USA 2009 | HD 3min.
Dir. Daniel Leeb
Fertilized by Alfred Bobe Jr. This film documents the Origin and birth of one of the planets greatest future cyclists. The Son of Alfred Bobe Jr is seen experiencing a utopian bicycle bliss from the womb of the beautiful maiden mother Laura Aguero-Dupla as she rides her unborn child to term .



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RED HOOK CRITERIUM

PROGRAM 5

USA 2009 | HD 9min.

Dir. Kalim Armstrong

On a rainy night an unsanctioned bicycle race took place through the desolate streets of Red Hook, Brooklyn. This 16-lap track bike only race brought together Cat-2 racers, bike messengers, and urban cyclists. Police arrived in full force yet an agreement was met to allow the race to continue. Host John Hoppin takes you through this exciting underground sporting event where racers speed past buses, navigate slick cobblestones and hairpin turns to compete for a podium position.

SAFARI LONDON

PROGRAM 4

UK 2009 | HD 4min.

Dir. Rick Symonds & Roddy Macintyre

Spend a whole evening with a cyclist in London condensed to a few moments with time-lapse.

THE BICYCLE COWBOY

PROGRAM 2

USA 2009 | HD 10min.

Dir. Ben Lynch

Out in the old west, the Bicycle Cowboy finds true love, but faces many obstacles.

THE FORCE

PROGRAM 2

UK 2009 | DV 7min.

Dir. Jamie Harper

A true story of the theft, and subsequent recovery, of a much beloved bicycle.

THE MESSENGER'S CREED

PROGRAM 4

USA 2009 | HD 720p 2min.

Dir. Dan Gingold

Not unlike the Hippocratic oath of doctors, a code to live by.

THE SCRAPER BIKE KING

PROGRAM 2 & 4

USA 2009 | 16mm 13min.

Dir. Rafael Flores

The inspirational story of "Bay-be Champ", the original creator of the scraper bike movement in Oakland, CA

THOUGHTS ON MY BIKE

PROGRAM 2

Canada 2009 | HDV 5min.

Dir. Andrea Dorfman

Watercolor paintings are animated to display some thoughts I had on my bike.

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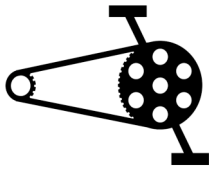
PROGRAM 3

USA 2006 | miniDV/Super8/Still Images 14min.

Dir. Joe Rich & Ruben Alcantara

A document of a BMX trip by two legends in the sport

Directed and shot by themselves.



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VIRTUOUS CHAPTER 10

PROGRAM 2

SWITZERLAND 2008 | HD 5min.

DIR. BRIAN GOTTSCHALK, FABIAN NAF

Candle-lit downhill biking in the mountains surrounding Zurich.

WHERE ARE YOU GO

PROGRAM 1 & 6

Canada 2009 | 75min.

Dir. Benny Zenga & Brian Vernor

Four months on a bicycle between Cairo, Egypt and Cape Town, South Africa en route with the Tour d' Afrique, the world's longest bicycle race and expedition. BFF Alumni the Zenga Bros. and Brian Vernor share a universal love of the bicycle with Africa's roadside mechanics, sporting racers and curious strangers. Traveling more than 70 miles per day, 50 racers and expedition riders experienced the boundless Nubian desert of Sudan, the great majesty of Victoria Falls, and finally the cold rush of the Atlantic Ocean. The 7,000 mile expedition is a constant adventure full of playfulness and mysterious beauty, and is testament to the endurance of human curiosity.

WHERE DO YOU START WHERE DO YOU STOP

PROGRAM 5

USA 2009 | HD 10min.

Dir. Patrick Trefz

A story of A to B to A to B by accomplished photographer Patrick Trefz. This film features Northern Californians from different backgrounds.

WOLFPACK HUSTLE: All City Team Race 2

PROGRAM 5

USA 2008 | DV 6min.

Dir. Lee Diskin/Donny Digital

25 teams of 5 raced from the east to the beach in LA via any route desired. Some crashed, some got popped by the cops, and some rode the freeway.