



THREE AFTERNOONS OF FILM + TALK AT CARRIAGEWORKS  
CURATED BY MEGAN SPENCER

It's arrived. The film festival you're been waiting for. Hilarious, handmade, intense, entertaining, rare and rockin'.

CarriageWorks, Sydney's newest centre for contemporary arts, presents the inaugural **Destination Film Festival**. Three Saturday afternoons of film + talk, curated by **Megan Spencer** (Triple J, SBS's *The Movie Show*). Launching on Saturday 24 November, each week will present a program of dynamic, unique films from everywhere - Australia, the rest of the world, *and* cyber-space. The films are followed by a panel discussion with film-junkies of all types from the yolk and fringe of Australia's film industry.

DestFest is a showcase of new and old films, and the obsession with GOOD FILM. Spencer has uncovered cutting edge new films that are exploring and pushing the boundaries of contemporary film-making. There are also rare, lost and unseen shorts that have been liberated from garages and bottom drawers of the industry's most innovative and creative film-makers.

The DestFest Panel discussions will take place after the films each week and are included in the (nice and cheap) ticket price. The Panels will create a much-needed, rare, fertile space for ideas and discussion for film-makers and film-lovers. Candid debate will be encouraged, with Megan Spencer at the helm. The industry is changing, film-makers are evolving, and we will explore the new movement towards technologically advanced film-making and distribution methods, and how the film world is adapting with the times.

Panelists include: **Nash and Joel Edgerton** (Blue Tongue Films) | **Kriv Stenders** (*Boxing Day*) | **Rosemary Blight** (Producer, *Clubland*) | **Jason Sweeney** (*Mist and Sea*) | **Dom and Dan Angeloro** (Pixel Pirates, Sodajerker.com.au).

**WEEK 1 | INTERNATIONAL FILMS + PANEL | SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER**

The Australian Premiere of *Wholphin Volume IV*, from revered publishing house McSweeney's. Co-founded by **Brent Hoff** and **Dave Eggers**, *Wholphin* is an international collection of brilliant hidden treasures. Includes the superbly made dramedy *High Falls*, starring real-life couple **Maggie Gyllenhaal** (pictured right) and **Peter Sarsgaard** playing a couple in crisis, keeping secrets from each other and getting deeper into deceit.



**WEEK 2 | AUSTRALIAN FILMS + PANEL | SATURDAY 1 DECEMBER**

Megan Spencer's choice of the best shorts around; including the muscular *Panacea*, by Ben Broso - a dramatic punch in the face; the world premiere of *Rose*, a 5 minute wonder by Davey Sams; the Sydney premiere of black-comedy musical *Songs in the Key of Death*; the Sydney premiere of *The Interrogation of Bryan*, a tough response to the Port Arthur massacre; the Sydney premiere of Sian Davies' *The Dance*, a moving study of teen loneliness; and action classic *Loaded* by the Edgerton brothers, currently in production on their first feature.

**WEEK 3 | CYBER-BORN FILM + PANEL | SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER**

Cyber-born film is here. DestFest is championing technological creativity in film-makers who are creating new frontiers by embracing self-distribution via the internet. *Four-Eyed Monsters*, an 80 min feature by New Yorkers Arin Crumley and Susan Buice, is a contemporary masterpiece and excellent example of cyber-born film; discovered between the folds of YouTube, and fast developing a cult following. *Four Eyed Monsters* is a tale of love and romance in the internet age; an extraordinary poetic fusion of art, design, narrative filmmaking and digital style.

**WHERE** CarriageWorks, 245 Wilson Street, Eveleigh | [www.carriageworks.com.au](http://www.carriageworks.com.au)  
**WHEN** 2pm - 5pm | Saturday 24 November | Saturday 1 December | Saturday 8 December 2007  
**TICKET PRICE** 1 day pass \$15 / \$10 | 2 day pass \$25 / \$18 | 3 day pass \$40 / \$27.50 | Includes films + panel  
**BOOKINGS** Moshtix [www.moshtix.com.au](http://www.moshtix.com.au) | 1300 438 849 | any Moshtix outlet  
**INFO + FULL PROGRAM** [www.destfest.com.au](http://www.destfest.com.au)  
**DAILY NEWS** Experience the ride online with Megan's blog at [www.destfest.com.au](http://www.destfest.com.au)  
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