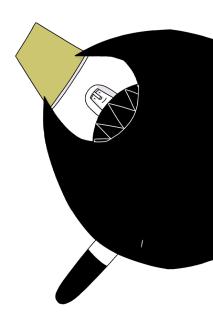


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Info

Titel BOX
Release 2024
Duration 8 min

Genre Animation 2D
Format 2k Full (2048 × 1080)
Sound Dolby 5.1 / stereo
Language no dialogue

Idea and Director Aline Schoch

Producer Ursula Ulmi / Ulmi Film Gmbh

Co-Producer Ramon Schoch / YK Animation Studio GmbH

Co-Producer Gabriela Bloch Steinmann / SRF Swiss Radio and Television

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Synopsis

In a regulated system built of boxes, characters live and work in isolation. They draw, cut, fold and stack paper boxes. As the stacks get too high and finally collapse, the characters find each other and discover life together.



BOX Credits

Idea and Director

Producer

Co-producer

Co-production

Storyboard, Animatic Script Consulting Storyboard Consulting Edit Consulting

Animation Tests

Character Designs

Layout

Graphic Design

Animation & Coloring

Additional Animation & Coloring

Backgrounds Compositing

Color Grading & Export

Music

Foley Artist Voice Recording Voice Actors

Sounddesign & Mix

Aline Schoch Ulmi Film GmbH Ursula Ulmi

YK Animation Studio GmbH

Ramon Schoch

SRF Swiss Radio and Television

Gabriela Bloch Steinmann

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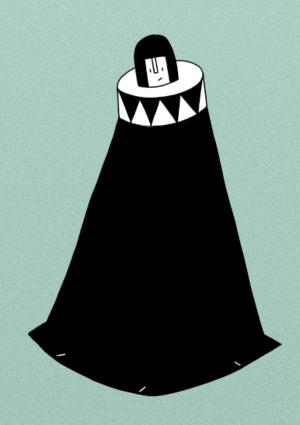
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Noisy Neighbours Loïc Kreyden Thomas Gassmann

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Music Cue Sheet

Cue	Music Titel	Writer	Performer	Duration
1	Box, Titles	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	00:00:10
2	Box, Draw, Cut, Fold, Stack	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	00:01:30
3	Box, Shadow Chase	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	00:01:04
4	Box, Meeting the others	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	00:02:29
5	Box, Credits	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	Xenia Wiener und Janos Mijnssen	00:01:17







BOX Directors comment

From the moment we are born we live in Systems. First it's a small construct of a family, then, the older we get, the more complex those systems become. With "BOX" I tried to understand these often very non-transparent systems and ask the question if it is possible to break out of it.

With the world I created I tried to find a metaphor for the inequality and oppression in our world. What can I do to make it better? Is it even possible to do something just by yourself? The role of an individual person in a community is something that engages me a lot. The short film «BOX» focuses on what makes a community and what an individual can draw from and contribute to it. True to the motto: together we are stronger. The power of the community and thus the escape from dependence on the system plays a major role in the negotiation of one's own powerlessness.

For me, this powerlessness was the starting point of this story. It is a feeling that overcomes me all too often when I see all the suffering in our world and ask myself what I can do as a privileged individual to make the world a better place. The processing of this feeling of powerlessness in the face of the system finds refuge in indignation. Outrage is the first step towards change. If no one is outraged by the grievances, how can they be seen? And how can a problem be solved if it is not recognised?

In terms of visual look it was very important for me that the characters are as unspecified as possible. They should not represent any specific ethnic group and should not stereotype any gender nor age. So I created characters that are visually oriented on the tools they work with. They are all different in their sice, according to their position in the system. Another big influence on the style of the film was the triadic ballet. The music was inspired by the world and characters we created and it was important that there is a strong symbiosis between sound design, music and the visual appearance so that this reduced world feels as whole as possible...

I wouldn't say that I found a final answer with this project. But what I know for sure is that it is always better to be together than in isolation. It is true that the system we live in oppresses a lot of things that are different. But I have hope that some of these ideas and values will remain as colourfull sparks and inspire others to make a difference too.



BOX Aline Schoch

Biography

Aline Schoch was born in Lucerne in 1996. After attending the preparatory course at the Lucerne School of Art and Design, she studied animation at the same school. Since 2020 she works as a freelance animator and is part of the sound design collective Noisy Neighbours.



Filmography

2020: Megamall

Director, Writer and Animator Production: HSLU D&K, SRF Festival and prices (selection):

Locarno Filmfest 2020 Fantoche 2020 Kurzfilmtage Winterthur 2020 (Special Mention) LIAF London International Animation Festival 2020 Solothurner Filmtage 2021 ITFS – Internationales Trickfilm Festival Stuttgart 2021 RIFF Reykjavík International Film Festival 2021 BIAF Bucheon international animation festival 2021 Message to Man International Film Festival 2021 Innerschweizer Filmpreis 2021

Aline was also involved as a sound designer in the following projects (selection):

2022, «On Hold» (in production) by Delia Hess Production: Papierboot KIG

2022, «Kill your Darlings" by Thirza Ingold Production: HSLU D&K and Asako Film GmbH

2021, «The Smortlybacks Come Back!» by Ted Sieger Production: Little Monster GmbH

2019, «IHR» by Amélie Cochet and Louis Möhrle

Production: HSLU D&K, SRF

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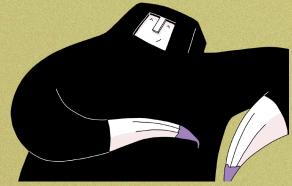
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Awards, Festivals & Screenings

2024

September Fantoche International Animation Festival, Switzerland

October Warsaw International Film Festival, Poland

October SEMINCI – Valladolid International Film Festival, Spain November Alcine - Festival de Cine de Alcalá de Henares, Spain November Tofuzi - International Festival of Animated Films, Georgia

LIAF London International Animation Festival, UK

2025

November

January Solothurner Filmtage, Switzerland March Tokyo Anime Award Filmfestival, Japan

March Athens Animfest, Greece

April Short film night tour - Chur, Switzerland

May Stuttgart Int. Festival of Animated Film - Swiss Focus, Germany

June Animation Festival Munich, Germany

July Animator International Animated Film Festival Poznań, Poland

July SUIZA POP! Buenos Aires, Argentina

August Flipbook Film Festival, Skopje, North Macedonia

August La Guarimba Film Festival, Italy

August Festival du Film Francophone à Angoulême France
October Animatou Animation Film Festival Geneva, Switzerland

November Cinanima Festival Internacional Cinema de Animação Espinho, Portugal

