

CINEMANTRIX

PRESENTS

The Man with all the Marbles (Mannen med kulorna)

15 min • Drama • 2009

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"Perfectly acted. Moving, a touch of humor and deeply poignant," Fargo Film Festival

"Witty, atmospheric, and a fine example of taut and effective story-telling," Bradford International Film Festival

"Reminiscent of a Chekhovian short story," Bradford International Film Festival

The making of

This movie is filmed entirely at a construction site outside of Stockholm, Sweden. When my location scout showed me the site, I immediately fell in love with it. We looked at many



other locations, but I knew that this was the one that I wanted. For me, the harshness and decay reflected perfectly the archetypal rivalry between the two brothers.

Unfortunately, the construction company did not want us to film at their site. So we looked for alternatives. We found a scarp yard that was good. But not perfect. It was until the day before the shoot that our Director of Photography finally persuaded the construction company to let us use their site. And we're very happy that they did.

Synopsis

Logline: Two brothers play marbles for their inheritance.

This is story of the rivalry between two brothers. Håkan is the successful one, running the family business. Martin is homeless. When their father dies, he divides the company between them. Håkan has always won over Martin in everything, from the marbles they played as children to control of the business. And Martin is fixed on the idea of beating his brother in a game of marbles. If he can just beat him, everything will turn around. Håkan wants to buy Martins share of the business. But Martin won't do it unless they play one more game. So they play. And the stakes are Martin's shares.

Biographies

Hans Montelius (Director and Screenwriter)



Hans is a director and screenwriter working with award winning shorts, features, documentaries and commercials.

His feature screenplay Commander in Love won the UCLA Professional Program Screenwriting Competition.

His screenplay How to Seduce your Neighbor, co-written with Mark Lewandowski, was recently selected as a finalist in the Back in the Box Screenwriting competition. He and Mark were subsequently offered a co-production deal.

Prior to working with film, Hans worked in the theater, where he wrote a half dozen plays and directed a dozen more. He also co-founded one of the largest theaters in Sweden (860 seats).

www.imdb.com/name/nm3247593/

Filmography

Kuben och Bröllopet, short, 2005, director and screenwriter

Deponi, documentary, 2005, director

How to Prepare for a Date, short, 2008, director and screenwriter

Another Pea, Another Day, short, 2008, director and screenwriter

Midsummer, short, 2009, director and screenwriter

The Man with all the Marbles, short, 2009, director and screenwriter

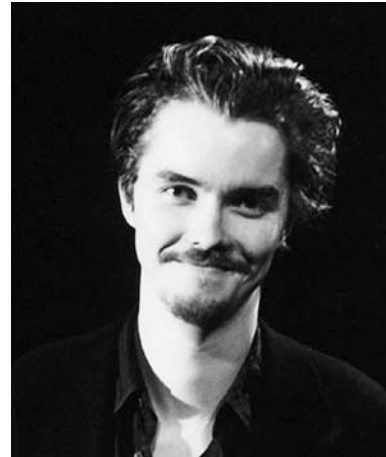
Positioning, short, 2009, director

An Affair with Dolls, short, 2010, director and screenwriter

Jonas Larsson (Martin)

Jonas Larsson is a Swedish actor working with both film and theater. He has received several acting awards, among others for his acting in the short films *Hidden Despair* and *The Solution*. Jonas Larsson has an extensive education in film and theater and has played everything from classical drama to comedies.

Jonas also starred in the Cinemantrix short film *How to Prepare for a Date*, which has been shown at movie theaters and film festivals around the world.



Lukas Loughran (Håkan)

Lukas Loughran has worked with most of Sweden's top actors and directors since returning from his training at the Lee Strasberg Theatre Institute in New York.



Before turning to acting Lukas had a successful career as a chef, ending up with a stint in Paris. But after ten years, it was time for a change. Since his first appearance on the TV-series *Kommissionen* (*The Commission*) 2004 Lukas has appeared in two more TV series, seven feature films and more award-winning shorts than he can count. He won the best actor award at the Vårullen film festival in 2006.

With an Australian father and Swedish mother, Lukas was raised in England, Ireland and Sweden and is bilingual. This came to use recently when he was cast in the BBC version of *Wallander* (a Swedish detective story by Henning Mankell) starring Kenneth Branagh.

Lukas works frequently on stage in Sweden and is also a founding member of the Long Loud Sound theatre group in New York as well as the Dr Benway group in Stockholm.

Festival screenings and awards

Awards

Shine Award, Best International Short Film, Bradford International Film Festival, March 2010

Honorable Mention, Los Angeles Reel Film Festival, December 2009

Best Film, Milwaukee Short Film Festival, September 2009

Nominated, Best Film, James River Film Festival, March 2010

Nominated, Best Foreign Language Film, Orlando Film Festival, November 2009

Film Festivals

Dances with Films, Los Angeles, June 2009, World Premiere

Oxford International Film Festival, July 2009

Rhode Island Film Festival, August 2009

Los Angeles Downtown Film Festival, August 2009

Milwaukee Short Film Festival (Best Film), September 2009

Norwich Film Festival, September 2009, European Premiere

Alexandria Film Festival, September 2009

New Hampshire Film Festival, October 2009

Flatland Film Festival, October 2009

Louisville's International Festival of Film, October 2009

Orlando Film Festival (Nominated Best Foreign Language Film), November 2009

Kerry Film Festival, November 2009, Irish Premiere

Arctic Light Film Festival, November 2009

WT Os International Film Festival, November 2009

European Film Festival, November 2009

Costa Rica International Film Festival, November 2009, Costa Rica Premiere

Los Angeles Reel Film Festival (Honorable Mention), December 2009

Trail Dance Film Festival, January 2010

Scandinavian Film Festival in LA, January 2010

San Diego Indiefest, March 2010

Fargo Film Festival, March 2010

Bradford International Film Festival (Best International Short Film), March 2010

Tupelo Film Festival, May 2010

Cinemantrix

Cinemantrix has made seven shorts during the past two years, shorts that have been shown won awards and been shown at film festivals from Beijing to Uruguay. Cinemantrix also makes commercials and has made a commercial that was voted the second best commercial in Sweden. There are also two feature projects in development.



Full Cast and Crew

Martin: Jonas Larsson

Håkan: Lukas Loughran

Director: Hans Montelius

Screenplay: Hans Montelius

Producers: Hans Montelius, Jonas Moberg

Director of Photography: Mats Ardström

Focus Puller: Anders Rönnqvist

Assistant Camera: Martin Gustafsson

Steadicam operator: Nestor Salazar

Boom operator: Rickard Berglind, Teodor Kourkoulis

Sound mixer: Teodor Kourkoulis

Art director: Christian Jönsson

Editor: Emil Stenberg

Music: Henrik Rambe

Location Manager: Josefin Sundberg

Script Supervisor: Sara Zommorodi

Stunt Coordinator: Ariel Striim

Production Assistants: Alexandra Malmqvist, Ariel Striim

Web site

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