# **Chicago International REEL Shorts Festival** Friday Schedule - Sept. 12th

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# Growing up Sucks - Fri. 7pm Film Row Cinema, 1104 S Wabash, 8th Floor

#### DIG - US - 11 min.

Directed by: Gena Shaw Misunderstood by her parents, quirky, nine year old Charlie White acts out in a way that at first seems defiant but ultimately changes her parents' perspective of their daughter for the better.



#### Highlights - US - 9 min Directed by: Mary Novak

Jane loves to go to Marianne's Beauty Salon with her mother. It's a crisp November day in 1963, and the salon is buzzing with energy. Suddenly the television delivers tragic news into this safe, happy place. Jane tries to make sense of a moment that opens her eyes to peril in the world, a historic moment that has come to symbolize the loss of innocence in America.

## Small Comforts - US - 10 min.

Directed by: Hannah Dallman A childhood drama about a little girl, Moira, who accepts her new family arrangement by recreating the comforts of home herself.



## Music Box - US - 14 min.

Directed by: Brian Lange

When two girls become infatuated with a homeless woman's music box, they may go to any lengths to get it. Maybe too far...

### Science Fair - US - 23 min.

#### Directed by: Dean Fleischer-Camp

Five consecutive science fair championships have brought child prodigy Worth Bugg money, recognition, and the many pressures that accompany it. When national competition lands him and his domineering mom on the sun-soaked shores of Delaware, Worth breaks away from expectations by breaking into the local aquarium.

# Best of Comedy - Fri. 8:30pm Film Row Cinema, 1104 S Wabash, 8th Floor

**Y Not** - US - 6 min. Directed by: Derek Beck A realtor takes a moment from her busy life to help a stranger, only to realize their lives are more connected than she thought.



Purrfect Girl - US - 5 min. - Emily W. :Co-Director Boy meets Girl. Boy discovers terrifying truth that girl is on the cat-lady fast track. Can their love endure the feline force?

Looking Up Dresses - US - 12 min. LOOKING UP DRESSES Directed by: Jared Ingram After getting dumped for being "too nice," Jade Williams has until the end

of a church service to convince his

girlfriend he's actually a wild man.



Greg's Leg - US - 12 min. - Directed by: Chris Charles A tale of two buddies, two apartments, and a broken leg...

Love Bombing - UK - 7 min. Directed by: Philip Lepherd Friends discuss the cult recruitment technique of 'Love Bombing'. Three of them seem to know a lot about it. Is it possible they've tried this before?

Check Please - US - 5 min. Directed by: Larry Ziegelman Meeting her boyfriend's parents for the first time could not have gone any better for Julie. And then the check comes.

Home Cooked Meal - US - 15 min. Directed by: Michael Smith



In an attempt to make his newly ex-ed girlfriend jealous, Colin hits on Abbie. She then invites him over to her house for a 'Home Cooked Meal.' Once there, he finds himself trapped in a strange world of Mormonism, salad from the garden of eden and fending off the advances of a sexually charged Mormon college girl.

Thursday Sept. 11 through Sunday Sept. 14th Come see 100 of the Worlds greatest Independent short films. For full film descriptions and times visit www.projectchicago.com