# MAYHEM Film Festival 2025 Short Film Showcase #1



### SPEAK WITH THE DEAD | Director Stephanie Paris | USA, 12m12

In 1850, the Fox sisters hold a seance for a wealthy couple who want to call on their deceased son's spirit to give them closure. When the girls' parlour tricks backfire, the audience begins to catch on.

# AMIRA | Director Javier Yañez Sanz | Spain, 15m, subtitled

In the XVIII Century, there is a music school where it's always dark...

# NIGHT WHISPERS | Director Adrian León | UK, 6m50

A night of passion takes a terrifying turn for Tom when his date starts talking in their sleep.

**FEMME** (UK Premiere) | **Director** Nina Noël Raaijmakers | **Netherlands**, **17m08**, **subtitled** Young student Fem discovers an interesting hunger that her body develops after a hazing ritual forces her to have sex for the first time.

# THE SECOND TIME AROUND | Director Jack Howard | UK, 12m

On a rainy night, while closing a café, a young waitress is confronted by a mysterious older woman.

#### TV OR THE DISTURBANCE ON FOREST HILL ROAD

# Director Frederic Siegel | Switzerland, 14m09, subtitled

A police patrol is drawn into a vortex of fictional worlds, triggered by the extensive TV consumption of a little boy.

# THE MAN THAT I WAVE AT | Director Ben S. Hyland | UK, 10m38

Dave's life is turned upside down after his wife teases him about the identity of the man that he waves at. Unsure who the man is or why he waves, Dave spirals into an existential crisis as he struggles to put the pieces together.

# MUFF (UK Premiere) | Director Elliot Ancona | UK, 5m55

Dive into this darkly comic and bloody fable where commitment-phobic Noah is spellbound to fight a duel for the hand of a spectral lady whose bewitching Muff is an accessory... to die for.

# DON'T BE AFRAID (UK Premiere) | Director Mats Udd | Sweden, 14m57, subtitled

A tormented photographer makes a comeback with freshly taken photos at the very location where his son once disappeared. During the exhibition, visitors suddenly realize that there's someone lurking in the background of several photos.