



FILM INFORMATION / MY SECRET FOREST / DOCUMENTARY

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ORIGINAL TITLE OF FILM	Salainen Metsäni
ENGLISH TITLE	My Secret Forest
GENRE	Documentary
YEAR OF PRODUCTION	2016
COUNTRY OF PRODUCTION	Finland
DURATION OF THE FILM	56'
SCREENING FORMAT	DCP / BLU-RAY / FILE
COLOR/B&W	Colour
SOUND	5.1
RATIO	16:9
ORIGINAL LANGUAGE	Finnish
SUBTITLED IN	English, Swedish
GRAPHICS	Finnish or English, additional in Swedish or other languages
TV-SCREENINGS:	Channel: YLE TV1
PLACE OF FIRST PUBLIC SCREENING	DOK Leipzig, Next Masters Competition / World premiere 2016
AWARD	Audience award - best national documentary film 2017 / DocPoint documentary film festival, Helsinki, Finland
PRODUCERS	Niina Brandt & Saara Helene Murto
FINANCED BY	The Finnish Film Foundation, AVEK, YLE TV 1, The Church Media Foundation



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CREDITS:

DIRECTOR	Niina Brandt
SCRIPT	Niina Brandt & Saara Helene Murto
CINEMATOGRAPHY	Niina Brandt & Jari Linjala
SOUND	Pinja Mustajoki
EDITING	Tuula Mehtonen
MUSIC	Splendid Laine

ONE LINER IN ENGLISH

Lauri, 20, an autist unable to speak, fears he will remain bound to the mere yearning of infinite love to the end of his days.

SYNOPSIS IN ENGLISH

For Lauri, 20, an autist unable to speak, the only key to life in general is to write with the help of Pirjo, his personal interpreter – it is Lauri's only way to express his deepest thoughts. In the midst of the challenges brought on by autism, love is his highest dream. Lauri feels he is like a bear that must be perpetually tamed, while trapped inside lives a feeling and thinking man. Although Lauri, a lover of philosophical deliberations, fears he will remain bound to the mere yearning of infinite love to the end of his days, he is able to reveal through his writings a beauty about life not perceived by everyone.

DIRECTOR'S BIOGRAPHY AND SELECTED FILMOGRAPHY

Niina Brandt is one of the two owners of Double Back Documentaries Ltd. She has directed and produced, shot and edited short films and several made to order works for the company's clients since its launch in 2008, including TV channels and broadcasting companies. Niina Brandt also produces photographs and films about the Finnish Lapland where the special nature of the region becomes part of the works of art. My Secret Forest is her first hour long documentary film as a director. My Secret Forest documentary film won "Best national documentary film 2017" audience award in DocPoint Documentary Film Festival Helsinki, Finland.

MY SECRET FOREST WEBPAGE:

<http://doubleback.fi/en/my-secret-forest/>

PRODUCTION COMPANY DETAILS

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