CLANDESTINO (STOWAWAY)

Canada, Portugal, 2000, ANI, 35mm, Colour, 7'
Dolby SR, 1:1.33

Director: Abi Feijó
Producer: Marcel Jean, Pierre Hébert, Office National du Film du Canada
Producer: Abi Feijó, Davide Freitas, Filmógrafo - Estúdio de Cinema de Animação do Porto, Lda
Script: José Rodrigues Miguéis “O Viajante Clandestino” - “Gente da terceira classe”
Editing: Regina Guimarães, Saguenail (Serge Abramovici)
Photography: Abi Feijó
Sound: Tentúgal
Music: Tentúgal
Animation: Abi Feijó, Regina Pessoa
Animation Technique: Sand animation
Original Language: Portuguese
Synopsis: On a cold and dreary Christmas Eve, in a glommy fogbound seaport, docks a tired old freighter. Deep in its hold, a stowaway is hiding. The crew members leave the ship and go their separate ways. After nightfall, the stowaway tries to make it to dry land by sliding down a rope, but he is paralysed with fear. Using sand animation on underlit glass plates, Stowaway is adapted from a story by the Portuguese writer José Rodrigues Miguéis. Profoundly melancholy in its expressive and richly textured imagery., the film is about one man's agonizing struggle for freedom.

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Abi Feijó

Abi Feijó was born in Braga, Portugal in 1956 and graduates from the Oporto School of Fine Arts. In 1984 he came to the National Film Board of Canada for an animation internship, which resulted in the short film Oh que Calma. Soon After, he founded Filmógrafo, an animation studio based on the NFB model of handcrafted auteur animation. The studio has built an international reputation that extends far beyond Portugal.

As a Director, Feijó explores a variety of animation techniques, always with a carefully written story. In 1993, he made Os Salteadores / The Outlaws, an animated short using drawings on paper; this political drama recalling a painful incident from recent Portuguese history won numerous international awards. It was followed by Fado Lusitano (1995), a sort of self-portrait of Portugal, his history, art and culture, using paper cut-out animation. In 2000, in co-production with RTP and the French Program's Animation / Youth Studio, he completed Clandestino / Stowaway, a sand animation film whose richly textured images evoke the difficult struggle for freedom. At Filmógrafo, Feijó serves as producer and artistic advisor. He also gives workshops and training around the world. He is currently involved in establishing The Animation House, a cultural centre devoted to the art of animation in Oporto.

Filmography:

2015 NOSSA SENHORA DA APRESENTAÇÃO
Portugal, 2015, ANI, HD, Colour, 6'

2000 CLANDESTINO
Canada, Portugal, 2000, ANI, 35mm, Colour, 7'

1995 FADO LUSITANO
Portugal, 1995, ANI, 35mm, Colour, 5'30"

1993 OS SALTEADORES
Portugal, 1993, ANI, 35mm, B&W, 14'

1987 A NOITE SAIU À RUA
Portugal, 1987, ANI, HD, Colour, 3'52"

1985 **Oh Que Calma**
Portugal, 1985, ANI, , Colour/B&W, 3'08"

ANI, 3'08"

1987 **O MENINO QUE SAÍA DA RUA**

ANI, 4'

Festival Selections

2026 La Rochelle Film Festival, France

2026 EU Short Film Festival, United Kingdom

2026 Cinema no Estendal - Maio, Portugal

2026 International Short Film Week Regensburg (Special Program Agência), Germany

2026 (Camões) Cinema Lusófono - Goa, India

2025 O DIA MAIS CURTO - Programa MiratecArts , Portugal

2025 Cinémathèque de la Ville de Luxembourg, Luxembourg

2025 (Camões) Centro de Língua Portuguesa Zagreb, Croatia

2025 Bookfest - Camões program, Romania

2024 Annecy - Portuguese Focus, France

2024 Cine-Clube da Ilha Terceira - Maio, Portugal

2024 Casa Comum - Programa Abi Feijó, Portugal

2024 Cineclube de Viseu - Aniversário "Clandestino", Portugal

2023 ODMC - Cineclube de Faro - Homenagem a Graça Lobo, Portugal

2023 Festival Books and Movies - Casa da Animação, Portugal

2023 Municipio de Caminha - Curtas Abi Feijó, Portugal

2023 Camões - Dia Mundial da Língua Portuguesa - Tbilisi, Georgia

2022 AnimaPIX, Portugal

2022 Frame Kids - Casa da Animação Program, Sweden

2022 Porquê? — Teatro para a Infância e Juventude, Portugal

2022 Nice Short Film Festival - Focus Regina Pessoa and Portuguese Animation, France

2022 Mumbai International Film Festival, India

2022 Clermont Auvergne Métropole - La littérature portugaise en courts métrages (Mai), France

2022 Internationales Trickfilm Festival of Animated Film Stuttgart, Germany

2022 Clermont Auvergne Métropole - La littérature portugaise en courts métrages (Avril), France

2022 Premiers Plans, Festival d'Angers, France

2021 Programa Casa da Animação - Festival Books And Movies, Portugal

2020 Programa Especial - Anilogue, Hungary

2019 International Canlandiranlar Film Festival , Turkey

2019 Agência 20 anos - VistaCurta, Portugal

2019 Medeia Monumental - Homenagem Regina Pessoa e Abi Feijó , Portugal

2019 Mostra de Verão Cineclube de Faro - Julho, Portugal

2019 No País do Cinema - Os Filhos de Lumière, Portugal

2019 Animafest - World Festival of Animated Films Zagreb - Agência 20 years, Croatia

2018 Mostra de Verão Cineclube de Faro - Agosto, Portugal

2018 Mostra de Verão Cineclube de Faro - Julho, Portugal

2018 Mostra - Escola Artística António Arroio, Portugal

2017 Monstra - Cubanima, Cuba

2017 Film Library Valencia, Spain

2017 KAFF - Festival of European Animated Feature Films and TV-Films, Hungary

2016 Retrospectiva Cinema de Animação Português - Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

2016 Mostra Cinemateca - Universidade Lusófona, Portugal

2016 Anifilm - International Festival of Animated Films Trebon, Czech Republic

2016 10 Anos de Animação - Odemira, Portugal

2016 Monstra Lisboa Animated Film Festival, Portugal

2015 Montpellier International Festival of Mediterranean Film, France

2015 Priit Parna Animated Film Festival, Poland
2015 anim'est International Animation Festival, Romania
2015 Animatou - International Animation Film Festival, Switzerland
2015 10 Anos de Animação - Odemira, Portugal
2015 Monstra Lisboa Animated Film Festival, Portugal
2014 MONSTRA - Buenos Aires, Argentina
2014 Sedicicorto International Film Festival Forli, Italy
2014 Bind'ó Peixe, Portugal
2014 Mostra de Cinema - DESOBEDOC, Portugal
2014 Curtas e Vinho Verde, Portugal
2014 CINEPORT - Festival de Cinema de Países de Língua Portuguesa, Brazil
2013 Animpact Animation Festival, Korea
2012 Clube de Cinema da Escola Básica 1,2,3 de Peniche, Portugal
2012 FestFilmes - Festival do Audiovisual Luso Afro Brasileiro, Brazil
2012 Ciclo de Animação - Guimarães, Portugal
2011 Ciclo de cinema português na Universidade Hanguk de Estudos Estrangeiros - Seoul, Korea
2011 Portuguese Animation and Short-Film Festival, China
2011 Mostra em Zagrebe, Croatia
2011 Mostra na Cinemateca de Zagrebe "Cinema Tuskanac", Croatia
2011 International Festival of Animated Films AniFest, Czech Republic
2011 Ciclo de Curtas - Helsínquia, Finland
2010 Centro de Língua do Instituto Camões de Goa, India
2010 Festa Mundial da Animação, France
2010 EL Mes + Corto - IX Mostra Audiovisual internacional, Spain
2010 Ciclo de Cinema, no Centro de Língua Portuguesa na Universidade de Hamburgo, Germany
2010 Brazilian and Portuguese Film Series, USA
2010 Leitorado do Instituto Camões na Universidade de Georgetown, USA
2010 , Poland
2010 Serralves em Festa, Portugal
2010 Cinema Nun'Álvares, Portugal
2010 Cine Alvalade, Portugal
2010 Monstra Lisboa Animated Film Festival, Portugal
2009 International Film Festival Etiuda&Anima, Poland
2009 Cinanima - International Animated Film Festival of Espinho, Portugal
2009 International Animation Day - Casa da Animação, Portugal
2009 International Leipzig Festival for Documentary and Animated Film, Germany
2009 Mostra-me - O Outro Lado do Cinema Português, Mostra de Cinema Português: Animação, Portugal
2009 Mostra de Cinema Português - Departamento de Português da Universidade de Estudos Estrangeiros de Pequim, Embaixada de Portugal em Pequim, China
2009 Festival de Cinema Lusophone Poitiers | Angolagora, France
2009 Nice Short Film Festival, France
2009 Olho: Aberto, France
2009 Sandim em Movimento - Junta de Freguesia de Sandim, Portugal
2008 Bradford Animation Festival, United Kingdom
2008 Filmini International Short Film Festival, Bulgaria
2008 ANIMART - Summer Meeting at Monodendri, Greece
2008 Mostra de Cinema Português - Departamento de Português da Universidade de Estudos Estrangeiros de Pequim, Embaixada de Portugal em Pequim, China
2008 Associação Açoreana de Educação pela Arte Boneca de Trapos, Portugal
2007 Olho: Aberto, France
2007 International Animated Film Festival Animateka, Slovenia

2007 Portuguese Festival Berlin, Germany
2007 14. Internationales Trickfilm-Festival Stuttgart'07, Germany
2007 Cinema Le Rio, France
2007 Olho: Aberto, France
2006 CINANIMA - Festival Internacional de Cinema de Animação de Espinho (10 Anos de Animação Portuguesa - Premiados), Portugal
2006 Mecal - Festival de Cortometrajes de Barcelona (Portuguese Programme), Spain
2005 Cinema Jove IFF - Festival Internacional de Cine - Retrospectiva Abi Feijó, Spain
2005 Portuguese Festival em Paris - Festival International des Arts et Culture Portugais, France
2005 I Ciclo de Cinema - Auditório da Biblioteca Municipal de Barcelos, Portugal
2005 Festival d'un Jour - Special Screening, France
2004 Interfilm Berlin - International Short Film Festival (Portuguese Programme), Germany
2004 Chiavari - Festival Internazionale del Cinema d'Animazione, Italy
2004 Festival Internacional de Curtas Metragens de Belo Horizonte - Retrospectiva de Curtas Portuguesas, Brazil
2004 12th Stuttgart International Festival of Animated Film (Retrospective), Germany
2003 8th Int. Short and Independent Film Festival, Dhaka (Programa Português), Bangladesh
2003 Siena International Short Film Festival (Retrospectiva Portuguesa), Italy
2003 Portuguese Festival (Retrospectiva de Curtas Portuguesas), United Kingdom
2003 Programa Especial - European Film Festival Stuttgart Ludwigsburg, Germany
2003 Tough Eye Animated Film Festival, Finland
2003 AniFest Trebon - International Festival of Animated Films, Czech Republic
2002 Animadrid, Spain
2002 Casa da Animação - Retrospectiva de Animação Portuguesa, Portugal
2002 Les Nuits Magiques - 12 Festival du Film d'Animation, France
2002 Festival del Cortometraggio Siena, Italy
2002 Macaquins - Programa ACM/Filmógrafo, Portugal
2002 PISAF, Korea
2002 Lille - Cinéma Portugais, France
2002 Semaine de cinema portugais, Mairie de Clermont-Ferrand, France
2002 ROSHD International Film Festival, Iran (Islamic Republic of)
2002 Iranian Young Cinema Society, Iran (Islamic Republic of)
2002 EnzemiFestival, Italy
2002 International Animation Festival Hiroshima, Japan
2002 Portobello Film Festival, United Kingdom
2002 Zagreb Animated Film Festival, Croatia
2002 Melbourne/Sidney Animation Festivals, Australia
2002 Annecy - Festival International du Film d'Animation, France
2002 Institut Jean Vigo, France
2002 Encontros Internacionais de Cinema de Cabo Verde, Cape Verde
2002 Mercado Internacional de Cannes, France
2002 CURTA-SE Festival Brasileiro de Curtas Metragens de Aracaju, Brazil
2002 Rencontre Internationale du Court Métrage de Saint-Benoît de l'Ile de La Réunion, France
2002 Mediterranean Festival of New Film Makers Larissa, Greece
2002 Internationales Trickfilmfest Stuttgart, Germany
2002 Travelling Film Festival, Rennes, France
2002 Tampere International Short Film Festival, Finland
2002 Mikrokino Festival - Belgrade, Serbia
2002 Exeter Animation Festival, United Kingdom
2002 Festival du Dessin Animé et du Film d'Animation, Belgium

2002 Semana de Cinema Lusófono Nice, France

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