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# HICCUP



a film by Griffin Devine & Alyssa Radmand

(18 MIN, USA, 2013) LANGUAGE: ENGLISH GENRE: DRAMA

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#### Statement from the Directors

When we begin writing a script, we try and start with one universal feeling to build off of. For HICCUP, we knew that we wanted to talk about feeling powerless. We all struggle with a lack of control over our lives. In Will, we wanted to create a character with an affliction that would make this struggle the focal point of his life, every minute of every day. We wanted to create someone who simply couldn't accept a lack of control.

We used chronic hiccups to encapsulate this idea. The feeling of something inside your body with a mind of its own, is unsettling and those fleeting moments are enough to inspire the archaic remedies that we're all taught. How frustrating would it be to live with that at all times? What wouldn't you try to make it stop?

We decided to follow Will through fifteen years of his life. Through stages of hopefulness, regret and bitterness. In turn, we get to watch Will's frustration and anger transition from a simmer to a boil.

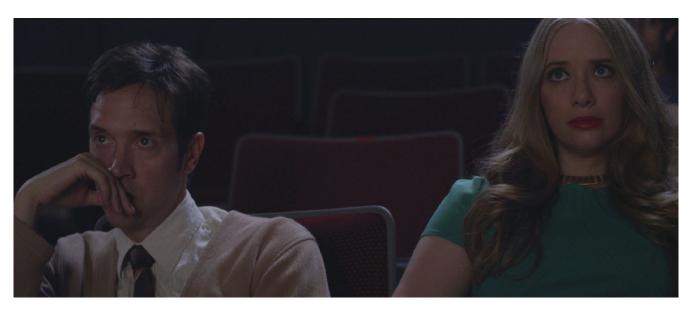
We think that the audience can find something to relate to in Will. Everyone has had hiccups, but hopefully there's a deeper connection. We hope people will ask themselves how far they'd be willing to go to try and change the aspects of their lives that make them unhappy, and have the insight to identify where their problems truly lie.

#### **ABOUT GRIFFIN DEVINE & ALYSSA RADMAND**



Griffin Devine and Alyssa Radmand met at Emerson College in Boston in 2006. They bonded over their mutual love of film and a desire to tell mature stories about real characters in an entertaining way. After graduation the pair moved to Los Angeles to develop and shoot PAUSE, their first feature film. PAUSE had it's world debut at the Action on Film Festival, earning the pair nominations for Best Young Filmmaker, and the Xristos Award, which honors excellence in film despite limited resources. Devine and Radmand recently wrapped their followup to PAUSE, dramatic short film HICCUP, and are developing several projects to direct as well as produce over the next year.

## **STILLS FROM HICCUP**













## **BEHIND THE SCENES**



Eric Reeve (Will) and Griffin Devine (Director)



Dave McGrory (Director of Photography)



Alyssa Radmand (Director), Dave McGrory (Director of Photography), and Courtney Johnson (Production Designer)



Al Burke (Officer Jonas) and Henry (Will, Age 16)



The crew at work



Alyssa Radmand and Griffin Devine (Directors)



Eric Reeve (Will)