



## Asbury Shorts New York

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***The world's best short films show reels into Palm Beach Dramaworks on February 28<sup>th</sup>!***  
***37<sup>th</sup> Asbury Short Film Concert presented by the West Palm Beach Arts & Entertainment District.***

**(January 30, 2019 > West Palm Beach, Florida)** Asbury Shorts, New York City's longest running short film exhibition and touring show, presents their nationally recognized 37<sup>th</sup> Short Film Concert at Palm Beach Dramaworks in West Palm Beach, Florida on Thursday, February 28, 2019. The first film blasts on to the screen at 7:30pm. The West Palm Beach Arts & Entertainment District is presenting this unique showcase of world-renowned short films. The screening on February 28<sup>th</sup> is strongly recommended for ages 16 and way above.

Asbury combines classic shorts from the past with current festival hits providing a rare opportunity for audiences to see elite, international films on a real cinema screen rather than **You Tube**, smart phones or computers. Academy Award nominated director Jason Reitman ("*JUNO*," "*Up in the Air*," "*Thank You for Smoking*" and "*Young Adult*") calls Asbury Shorts "The best short film show I've ever seen." The highly entertaining showcase features the best in short film comedy, drama and outstanding animation.

Highlights include: *The Quality of Mercy*, a multi festival award winner from New York director Stephen Marro. Tony & Emmy Award winning actress Mary Louise Parker (star of Showtime's hit series: "*Weeds*") plays a struggling New York thespian who accidentally shares a café table with the chief New York Times theater critic. *Fait d'Hiver*, is a classic dark comedy from Belgium director Dirk Belien. The film was previously nominated for an Academy Award for Best Live Action Short Film. An angry businessman stuck in horrendous highway traffic calls home and is shocked by new developments. Director Amy Nicholson's documentary, "*Pickle*" examines the complicated relationships humans have with their pets in a film of unexpected warmth and mirth.

Over the past 36 years Asbury Short Film Concerts have been presented at The Museum of Fine Arts Boston, The Osprey Art Center in Nova Scotia, Canada, Summer Stage in Central Park, The Director's Guild Theater in Manhattan, The AERO Theatre in Santa Monica, CA, Royal Festival Hall in London, U.K., The Vero Beach Museum of Art in Florida and the Leminske Theater in Berlin, Germany to name a few of the prestigious venues where audiences have enjoyed these amazing short films.

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#### **About the West Palm Beach Arts & Entertainment District**

The West Palm Beach Arts & Entertainment District (A&E) is a centralized collection of inspiring arts and entertainment venues; art and history museums; galleries; libraries; performing arts companies; and art education institutions. Situated in the heart of South Florida's most progressive city, the District includes more than 20 distinct and distinguished cultural destinations that form a defining industry cluster. The A&E District enhances the appeal of West Palm Beach as a visitor destination, drawing attention to its status as a vibrant city illuminated by its beauty and range of creative expression. For more information, visit [DowntownWPBArts.com](http://DowntownWPBArts.com).

#### **About Palm Beach Dramaworks**

Palm Beach Dramaworks is committed to enhancing the quality of life through the transformative power of live theatre. Since its founding in 2000, PB Dramaworks has distinguished itself with stimulating productions of classic, contemporary, and overlooked plays that inspire, engage, challenge, and entertain audiences. PB Dramaworks has equally invested in the community, in education, and in nurturing the future of theatre, and as its reputation has grown, so has its reach and outreach.

Palm Beach Dramaworks is located at 201 Clematis Street in West Palm Beach, Florida. Tickets cost \$12 and can be reserved at [palmbeachdramaworks.org](http://palmbeachdramaworks.org). For more information please call the box office: 561.514.4042.