



# Dreams of space

HEART of Gold presents 84 Australian and 13 world and international short film premieres at the 2011 festival which kicks off in Gympie today.

Among the Australian premieres is an award winning short film from Sweden, *The Spaceship*.

This is the story about Mia, a girl who wants to go to space, but finds it difficult to raise money. She bakes wonderful pizzas, but can not get a job at the pizzeria as the restaurant owner claims "you have to have it in your blood".

A warm and beautiful film



about dreams, prejudices and a different young girl.

Director Emil Mkrttchian has travelled from Sweden to attend this year's festival and participate in the Heart of Gold Filmmakers Presents session on Saturday at 1.30pm.

These popular interactive sessions are a chance for audiences to meet the directors and ask questions about the creative process behind the

making of their films.

For details on Filmmakers Presents, go to [www.heartofgold.com.au](http://www.heartofgold.com.au) or drop into the Civic Centre - the hub of the Festival - for session details.

## The Spaceship awards

Winner - Best Narrative Short - LA Movie Awards

Screening: Filmmakers Presents, Saturday 1.30pm, Gympie Civic Centre.

Shorts 17, Sunday 11am, Gympie Civic Centre.

## Special screenings

### Indigenous Shorts 1 & 2

SOME of Australia's remarkable indigenous filmmakers and performers will be showcased in two Indigenous Shorts programs. A local story about The Ration Shed at Cherbourg is told by indigenous filmmaker Roby Hofmeyr and one of Australia's most celebrated actors, Deborah Mailman, will screen her debut film Ralph.

### Green Screen Shorts

HEART of Gold has a new Green Screen element, run in conjunction with two other international film festivals. Green Screen shorts include inventive, funny, enchanting, but also confronting films highlighting the state of our planet and human behaviour towards it. Close to Gympie's heart is a locally produced documentary Saving Mary.

### Indian Shorts

THE title Beyond Bollywood means it is not filled with singing and dancing - rather, a program of excellent live-action, drama and documentary film from India. The filmmakers, reflect their cultural wealth and succeed at uniting tradition with the present day by creating magnificent cinema with captivating stories and evocative works

### Dutch Shorts

A SELECTION of short films devoted to The Netherlands. With a quirky sense of humour, Dutch Shorts presents some of the best short films being made anywhere in the world. It is an entertaining program with films that are funny, thoughtful, and sometimes, just a little bit weird.

## COMMUNITY DIARY

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### TODAY

**Older Women's Network**  
CELEBRATE St Patrick's Day with OWN at the Anglican Hall, Lady Mary Tee at 9.15am. Come dressed in something green.

**St Patrick's Day dance**  
MARY Valley Dance Group is holding a St Patrick's Day. Wear your green, bring your best Irish jokes and join a fun night of dancing and Irish celebration, 7pm-10pm, live music with DGX music, supper. Non members \$4.

### U3A Thursday classes

9-11am: Spanish. Contact Maureen Botterill 5483 7059.  
9-11am: Book Ends (2nd Thursday). Contact Jill Jones 5482 4518.

10am-noon. My Kind of Poetry (last Thursday of the month). Contact Joyce Lilley 5482 1796.

1-3pm: Cards. Contact Marion Aves 5482 6896.

2-4pm: Music for Pleasure (1st Thursday). Contact Margaret Wilson 5482 1606.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
THURSDAYS room 2, Gympie Community Place, Lawrence St, 8pm. Contact 5481 1479. And Tin Can Bay Library (next to RSL in Tin Can Bay Rd) 6pm. Contacts 5488 0326 or 5486 2073.

**AP&SL SENIOR** Citizens Centre 12.30pm for music, raffles, afternoon tea. Inquiries 5482 3041.

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**SCREENING:** A Whore and a Chick (France).  
Philippe Mazzoni / Canal+

## Heart of Gold

GYMPIE Civic Centre, today - Sunday.  
Tickets available now from [www.heartofgold.com.au](http://www.heartofgold.com.au)

Phone 5483 7000 or in person at the Heart of Gold office in Upper Mary Street.

The festival program includes an extensive collection of short films, select features and is partnered with a comprehensive series of workshops, seminars and master classes.

Tickets on sale now.

**NOW ON!**



**PURCHASE ONLINE @ [www.heartofgold.com.au](http://www.heartofgold.com.au)**  
or at the Heart of Gold office - 214 Mary St Gympie

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