



EL REY NETWORK PRESENTS
“THE PEOPLE’S NETWORK SHOWCASE: *ANIMATION EDITION*”
FEATURING 15 HAND-PICKED SHORT FILMS

2 HOUR SPECIAL HOSTED BY
“THE BOOK OF LIFE” DIRECTOR JORGE GUTIERREZ
PREMIERES SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24th AT 8PM ET



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Austin, TX, September 19, 2017 – El Rey Network’s “The People's Network Showcase” returns with the “Animation Edition,” 15 films released both on-air and digitally on El Rey Network’s YouTube page. The on-air special features 2 hours of 13 hand-picked short films and exclusive interviews with stand-out rising independent filmmakers from around the world. “The People’s Network Showcase: *Animation Edition*,” hosted by acclaimed animated film director Jorge Gutierrez (*The Book of Life*), will debut on **Sunday, September 24th, 2017 at 8pm ET.**

El Rey Network founder and maverick filmmaker Robert Rodriguez had a vision to create a place where all creators’ work could be seen and celebrated on broadcast television. The People’s Network Showcase is this place. Filmmakers can submit their films to El Rey Network’s People’s Network here: <https://submit.elreynetwork.com/>

Films and filmmakers featured on Sunday, September 24 include:

TIM THE TERRIBLE

Directed by Josh Stifter

This is the story of Tim the Terrible, the father of Mother Nature. It's been a long weekend of drunken debauchery, but now it's time for Tim to get home... only problem is, he's not sure where he is.

Digital Premiere on November 3rd

LEGEND OF THE FLYING TOMATO

Directed by Michael Yates & Aurry Tan

A young, female luchador aspiring to be like her hero, must learn to accept her flaws when she comes face to face with a terrifying opponent.

Digital Premiere on September 29th

OFFICE KINGDOM

Directed by Salvatore Centoducati

In a quiet office, a customer is waiting for the approval of his practice, but for the clerk who helps him, it will not be so simple to get the right stamp.

Digital Premiere on October 6th

EL COYOTE

Directed by Javier Barboza

"El Coyote" is based on the true story of a human smuggler also known as "coyote." He describes his process and the mechanics of slipping between the Mexico and U.S. border and shares the brief moments he's had with the people he's trying to help cross over. Within five years El Coyote smuggled over six hundred undocumented immigrants from various regions of Latin America between Tijuana, Mexico and San Ysidro to the United States.

Digital Premiere on October 13th

BEWARE OF BUNNY

Directed by Becky Gill

On the way home, a little boy finds the pet of his nightmares.

Digital Premiere on October 20th

TRIOPZILLA

Directed by Galileo Disperati

A fake trailer for a good honest Japanese big monster movie, potentially from the early 1900's; a gigantic mutant triops comes back to town to get his revenge on the girl who flushed it down the toilet.

Digital Premiere on November 10th

WATER HUNTERS

Directed by Salvatore Centoducati

The adventures of two thieves in a near and dystopian future, where water has become a currency and is exchanged to buy the food produced by the water itself. A very rare and desired good, managed by unscrupulous corporations, disputed between outlaws and fences of all kinds.
Digital Premiere on October 6th

HOUSE OF MONSTERS

Directed by Dawn Brown

While zombies attack the village, Frank reconnects with an old friend, but their reunion is bittersweet as her inevitable decay puts a hitch in their budding romance. Christopher Lloyd stars as Dr. Gaulstone.

Digital Premiere on October 27th

THE UMBRELLA FACTORY

Directed by Lexie Trivundza

One evening, a traveler knocked upon the door of three unlucky brothers. Asking for a place to stay, as he has nowhere else to go, he offers them his magic talisman for payment in exchange for room and board. What the brothers learn is that the magic talisman is capable of granting three wishes, but be careful what you wish for.

Digital Premiere on November 24th

MANNEKILL

Directed by Galileo Disperati

A grindhouse-style fake trailer for a fictional horror/crime Italian exploitation flick: when a mannequin factory owner refuses to pay the Mafia for protection and gets killed, his wife uses the power of Southern-Italian black magic to create an army of living mannequins to avenge his death.

Digital Premiere on November 10th

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Directed by Thomas Alan Sandage

It's Christmas Eve! A young boy is awakened in the night by rustling sounds. He rushes out of bed and down the stairs... and finds Santa is standing in the living room! But as the jolly elf's head turns and he begins to snarl, the little boy sees that something is very wrong with Santa...

Digital Premiere on December 1st

OUR OWN MONSTERS

Directed by Lydia Fama

History says the settlers of the Lost Colony at Roanoke disappeared – “Our Own Monsters” explores a fictional legend in which the colony did not vanish, but was taken by the hands of the undead.

Digital Premiere on October 27th

JUST SAY NO

Directed by Davey Jarrell

An overly empathetic gorilla needs to make an important delivery. Can he say “no” to solicitations along the way?

Digital Premiere on December 8th

Digital Exclusives

BØLGE

Directed by Kevin McCurdy

A brain-damaged box person gets manipulated by an old acquaintance.

Digital Premiere on November 17th

LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

Directed by Lexie Trivundza

The earliest versions of the classic fold tale Little Red Riding Hood is a story of cunning and wits pitting a young girl against a wolf. She doesn't have any help. There's no lumberjack coming to save her. Soon learning of her grandmother's murder, she has to outsmart the wolf and escapes with her life in the dark of an old cabin.

Digital Premiere on November 24th

About Jorge Gutierrez

Jorge R. Gutiérrez is an award-winning painter, writer and director born in Mexico City and raised in Tijuana. Gutierrez, a CalArts grad, is the creator and director of films, cartoons, and paintings inspired by his deep love for Mexican pop and folk culture. He and his wife Sandra Equihua created the multiple Emmy award-winning animated television series, "El Tigre, The Adventures of Manny Rivera" for Nickelodeon, and Gutierrez created and directed "The Book of Life" for 20th Century Fox. Most recently he created and directed the VR short "Son of Jaguar" for Google Spotlight Stories and is attached to the upcoming "Billion Brick Race" Lego film from Warner Bros.

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