

# **Blink: The Observer**

a Film By Kevin Rogers

Running Time 14 Minutes

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# "BLINK: THE OBSERVER"

## A SHORT FILM DIRECTED BY KEVIN ROGERS RELEASE OF THE SHORT & LAUNCH OF CROWD FUNDING FOR THE FEATURE

*Blink: The Observer*, an original short film by director Kevin Rogers of Backslash Bomb Productions, will be released at an event on December 18th at 5050 Skate Park. The film stars **Ben** Katz, Sarabeth Steckrerl, Swann Gruen, Kyle Cherry, and Harris Doran. The event will also feature the launch of the crowdfunding campaign for *Blink*, a feature film based on the events that began in *Blink: The Observer.* After December 18th, *Blink: The Observer* will be available on the crowdfunding page for *Blink. Blink* is slated for official production in the spring of 2016, with a projected release in late 2016. Rogers is best known for his work on the acclaimed feature-length documentary Mount Lawrence, which was recently screened in New York's Soho International Film Festival, in addition to other international festivals and events.

### Blink: The Observer (the prologue)-

Jacob's world is turned upside down when a giant eye appears in the sky, eventually sending civilization into a free-fall. Crops fail and governments collapse, creating a void that is quickly filled by cults who prey on the lonely, the vulnerable, the fearful, and the optimistic. As Jacob attempts to make sense of the world around him, his two friends grow increasingly concerned for his well being.

### Blink (the feature film)-

In the wake of his family's brutal murder, Noah sets out in search of his brother and the group he believes to be responsible. When he finds himself stranded in a small town, Noah takes up with Mari, a fellow castaway. Wandering through a crumbling infrastructure of a world beset by famine, the two form an unlikely friendship. Their relationship is tested when Mari reveals her desire to join the same cult as Noah's brother, forcing Noah forced which is more important- his anger or their friendship.

For more information, please visit <u>blinkafilm.com</u>

**Backslash Bomb Productions** focuses on narrative and documentary style projects. With a background in production, development, post, and web-driven content, the company strives to bring strong, engaging stories to life. Its most recent film, *Mount Lawrence*, an award winning documentary currently is touring the festival circuit. Mount Lawrence has been presented at film festivals including the SOHO International Film Festival Austin Film Festival, Santa Barbara International Film Festival, Cincinnati Film Festival, Sidewalk Film Festival and Hoboken International Film Festival, among others.

**Kevin Rogers (Writer/Director)** is a native Staten Islander. Rogers has been working in film in the New York City area since 2006. Recently awarded Best Documentary Editing Award from the Colorado International Film Festival for his work on the feature documentary *Mount Lawrence*, which is an award winning documentary currently traveling the festival circuit and represented by Circus Road Films. The Fredericksburg Standard said of Mount Lawrence — it "is perhaps the most compelling independent documentary in quite some time and definitely the most visually spectacular." In 2009 Rogers established Backslash Bomb (BSB) Productions and has been creating original creative content for brands, companies, and artist. Rogers is the NY director for the Television Academy which is based in L.A.

**Christina Hurtado-Pierson (Producer)** is a New York-based producer, dramaturg and serves as the in-house producer for Backslash Bomb Productions. She serves as one of the creators of the award-winning television pilot *Sox News*. Hurtado-Pierson recently made her directorial debut with the documentary *TransMilitary*, which has been featured in festivals globally and will soon receive online distribution. She served as a co-producer on *Mount Lawrence*, helped produce a national commercial campaign for GLAAD and is the executive producer and director for the upcoming web series, "*Kate* + *Date*". Christina also works as a dramaturg in theaters across New York City, developing new plays and enriching classical productions.

The premiere of Blink: The Observer will begin at 9:30 pm on Friday, December 18 at 5050 Skatepark located at 354 Front Street Staten Island, NY 10304. The film will be screened at 10:15 pm. The event is free with a suggested donation toward its crowdfunding campaign. Refreshments and beverages will be served.

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