

PATOPISTOU!

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Patopistou !
a film by
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SYNOPSIS

Patopistou is a clown who was born that way. While he dreams of becoming a respected sculptor his face condemns him to a life of farcical jokes and other humiliations. As a last resort, he tries to escape his identity by mutilating his face. He suddenly becomes the renowned and successful artist he had always dreamt of being. However, his true nature is close to the surface and threatens to destroy his new life.

Can he escape who he is?

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

I've always been fascinated by the jester archetype. Pagliacci, Pierrot, ..tragicomic characters who are always the butt of the joke even when they are at their most miserable.

Patopistou is similar and he strives to become more respectable but the way he looks makes it impossible. He is stuck in his body. He is always performing even when the audience is not here. In a way in I identify with this kind of character as I also struggle to be seen as a serious artist.

I wanted to make a film with a cyclical structure representing the endless suffering of the character. Patopistou can never get away from himself and he can't hide his self from the others. Also I wanted to do something that never takes itself too seriously. Ironically I wanted **Patopistou!** to be something you can laugh at!



DIRECTOR'S BIO

Célia Sebbane was born in France of two Algerian parents. After a degree in art history where she spent hours on her computer writing uninspired essays, she pursued her true passion and joined the Atelier Supérieur d'Animation where she spent hours on her computer animating strange little men. She dreams of continuing to make esoteric little films until she dies.

PRODUCTION INFO

TITLE PATOPISTOU !
PRODUCTION COUNTRY FRANCE
SOUND STEREO, 5.1
COLOR COLOR
RUNNING TIME 6min20
ASPECT RATIO 16:9
LANGUAGE FRENCH (ENGLISH SUBTTILES)



CRÉDITS

STORY DIRECTION ANIMATION COMPOSITING Célia SEBBANE

MUSIC Emilien SIRE

SOUND MIXING Raphaël AUCLER

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