TALLINN SUMMER SCHOOL 14.07-01.08.2025: SHORT FILM (by Madli Lääne)

WEEK 1 PRE-PRODUCTION	Date: MONDAY 14.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-113 film studio + N-406 cinema Tutor: Madli Lääne	TUESDAY 15.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-113 + N-507 computer class Tutor: Madli Lääne	WEDNESDAY 16.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-113 + N-207 Tutors: DoP+Sound	THURSDAY 17.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-113 Tutors: Madli + Gaffer	FRIDAY 18.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-406 Tutor: Madli Lääne
WORKSHOP 1	 STORYTELLING & FILM LANGUAGE: Essential story elements Audiovisual tools Developing a story Form and directorial style (visual, sound, performance) 	PITCHING:Pitching your film ideaGiving and getting feedback	 CAMERA & SOUND: Practical sound gear workshop for a half of a group (tutorials: zoom, shotgun, lavaliers, mixer) Practical camera workshop for a half of a group (tutorials: Panasonic GH5, tripod) 	 SCRIPT: Analyzing scripts DIRECTING and ACTING: Working with actors Blocking action 	 PREPARING THE SHOOT: Shot list / storyboard Recce Shooting schedule Call sheet Set etiquette Continuity
WORKSHOP 2	 FILM PRODUCTION: Working within limitations Casting and rehearsals Location scout Production design, wardrobe, muah The frame and the shot 	SCREENWRITING: • Fictional narrative basics • Dramatic elements • Standard screenplay formatting • Celtx workshop • Writing the first draft of your script	 CAMERA & SOUND: Practical sound gear workshop for a half of a group (tutorials: zoom, shotgun, lavaliers, mixer) Practical camera workshop for a half of a group (tutorials: Panasonic GH5, tripod) 	 LIGHTING: Fundamentals of film lighting Use of natural light Working with available lights Lights tutorial: LED lights Operating camera and lights 	 INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS: Film team positions Script analysis Possible cast and locations Visual style of the film
HOMEWORK:	Short film idea	Short film script	Script feedback	Shooting teams	Preparations for the shoot

WEEK 2 PRODUCTION	MONDAY 21.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: - Tutors: -	TUESDAY 22.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-113 film studio Tutors: Madli Lääne & Tiiu Maar + camera & sound tutors	WEDNESDAY 23.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: shooting location Tutors: camera & sound tutors	THURSDAY 24.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: shooting location Tutors: camera & sound tutors	FRIDAY 25.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-113 film studio Tutors: Madli Lääne & Tiiu Maar
WORK IN TEAMS	 Team work - prepping for the shoot: casting, location scouting, production design, shot list / storyboard, shooting schedule 	 Equipment check out starts at 10:00 Technical tests with equipment in teams, supervised by tutors (camera + lights and sound) Consultation with your directing tutor in teams about your project 	SHOOTING DAY 1	SHOOTING DAY 2	 Equipment check in starts at 10:00 Sharing shooting experience with the whole group Teaming up for post-production

WEEK 3 POST-PRODUCTION	MONDAY 28.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-507 computer class Tutor: Elina Kengsepp	TUESDAY 29.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-507 Tutor: Elina Kengsepp	WEDNESDAY 30.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-406 cinema + N-507 Tutor: Madli Lääne	THURSDAY 31.07 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-507 Tutor: Elina Kengsepp	FRIDAY 01.08 Time: 10:00-18:00 Room: N-406 cinema Tutor: Madli Lääne
WORKSHOP	EDITING: • Postproduction overview • Fundamentals of film editing • Practical editing workshop in DaVinci • Preparing the project • Technical tests • Basic cutting	SOUND & TITLES: • Sound design • Titles • Subtitiles • Exporting	SCREENING & FEEDBACK: • Rough cut screening • Feedback sessions	 COLOR & DELIVERY: Colour correction VFX End credits Delivery for screening Archiving 	FILM PREMIERE! :)
WORK IN TEAMS	 Watching & analyzing material with the whole team Editing the first assembly 	Editing the rough cut	Editing the fine cut	 Locking the cut & finishing the film Exporting for the premiere Archiving the project and the screening files 	