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25TH VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 13, 2006

The Case of the Grinning Cat

France, 2004, 58 min, Color, Beta SP
Canadian Premiere

Directed By: Chris Marker
PROD: Laurence Braunberger
CAM/ED: Chris Marker
MUS: Anton Arensky

"We're all mad here. I'm mad. You're mad," said the Cheshire Cat. "How do you know I'm mad?" said Alice. "You must be," said the Cat, "or you wouldn't have come here."



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When the maniacally grinning visage of a strange cat began to pop up in odd places in Paris, on billboards (sporting wings), or dominating the square outside the Pompidou Centre, legendary director Chris Marker was sufficiently intrigued to pick up his camera and hunt this kitty down. The mad grin of insurrection, pussy power to the people, or "Make Cats, Not War!"--this elusive beast reared its bright yellow head as a symbol of protest at strikes, anti-war demonstrations, and many other political events in Paris. But what did it all mean exactly? *The Case of the Grinning Cat* is one part film essay (of the type that Marker single-handedly created) to two parts political inquiry, and a suitably poetic investigation into the subversive power of art. "Lively, engaged, and provocative!"--*Village Voice*

Chris Marker Filmography: *La Jetée* (62), *Sans Soleil* (82), *Level Five* (97), *One Day in the Life of Andrei Arsenevich* (99)

Preceded By:

Temptation of Victoria


Directed By: Michael Shamberg

The music of the seminal band New Order continues to be connected with salutarily cinematic music videos. Here's a particularly "nouvelle vague" treatment of the 1987 classic "Temptation," made in springtime Paris, 2006.

Screening Schedule

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