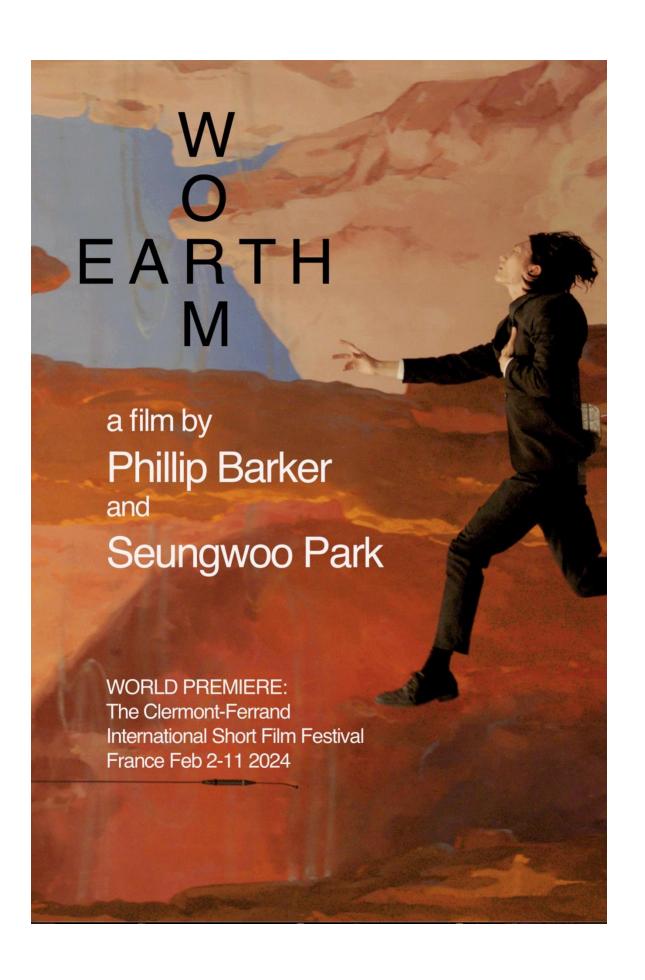
EarthWorm

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a film by

Phillip Barker and Seungwoo Park

2024, 6 minutes, colour, 5.1 Stereo, 2.35:1, available on DCP View Trailer: https://vimeo.com/900438654 Official Selection: The Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival, 2024

EarthWorm brings together elements of movement, experimental film, and sc-fi to create a modern cautionary tale.

In **EarthWorm**, we meet Sean, an alien who is being trained how to survive on Earth. He is learning to deal with 'Earth's pointless gravity'; as well, his species have overcome useless states of emotion and eradicated instinct. His mission, to help humans avoid an impending environmental disaster, is well intentioned, but misguided. As Seans body weakens, he continues to collect samples from Earth: a domesticated horse, worms, insects, and the very children who have befriended him.

EarthWorm was filmed in Hamilton and near Toronto in 2022 and released in Janurary 2024. It's world premiere is at the Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival in February of 2024.

<u>Seungwoo Park</u>

EarthWorm was co-created and stars Korean performer, dancer, visual artist and film maker **Seungwoo Park**.



Seungwoo explores the intricate interplay between reality and imagination through improvisation. He immerses himself in performances that transcend the constraints of gravity, going beyond merely challenging physical boundaries. Through his work he discovers profound insights into the essence of human existence. Seungwoo currently lives in Seoul and practices his art at his studio *601 Euljiro*.

<u>Phillip Barker</u>

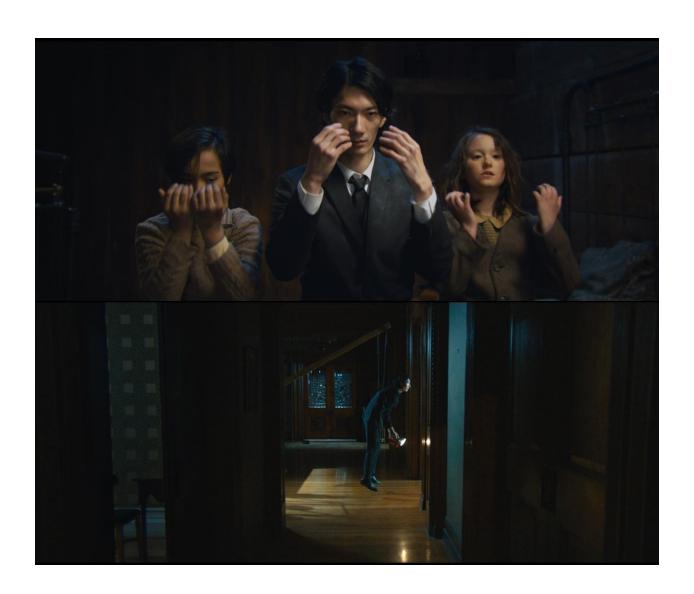
EarthWorm is directed and co-created by Canadian filmmaker, installation artist and production designer **Phillip Barker**.

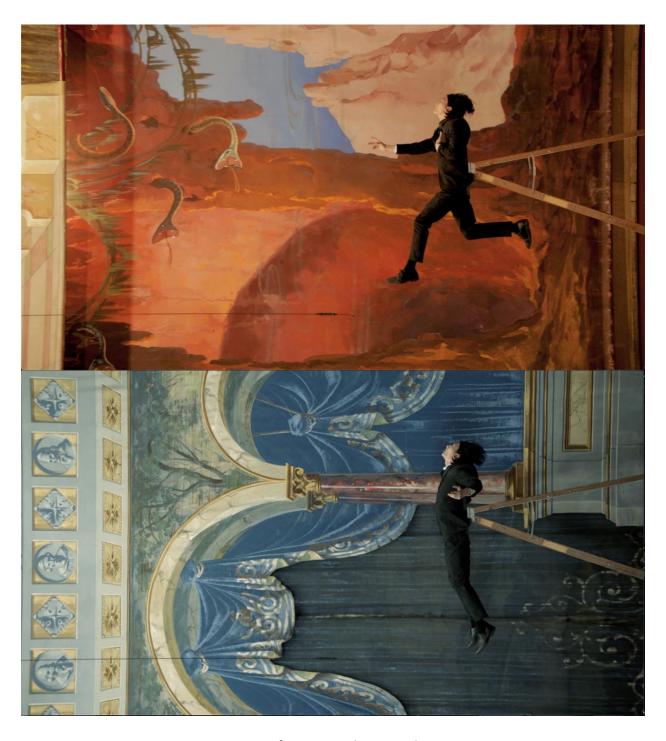


Phillip is currently touring *Strange Machines: the films of Phillip Barker*, a retrospective of his own films at TIFF Lightbox, Toronto, Montreal's Festival du Nouveau Cinéma, The Canadian Film Institute, Ottawa, and the Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival, France. Accompanying the retrospective is a book about his work helmed by writer and filmmaker Mike Hoolboom.

Stills from EarthWorm:







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