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# WHOREHOUSE

## CINEMA

SEX WORKER FILM  
AND ARTS FESTIVAL



31 MARCH  
- 2 APRIL  
2023

Cinetol  
Tolstraat  
182  
AMSTERDAM

# PROGRAM

# WHERE

# PRICING

FRI 31 MARCH

18:00-23:00	<b>Art exhibition</b> Unsolicited Brick Pic by Cece Monroe / Reimaging Sex Work / Art works by Victoria Catalina	Cafe	Free
18:00-22:00	<b>Peep Show Hoes</b> (performance)	Courtyard	Donation/tips
19:00-20:30	<b>Opening words +The Oleanders</b> (documentary) presented by TranScreen	Zaal	€ 7,00
21:00-23:00	<b>Kenya</b> (documentary) introduction & performance by Papaya Kuir	Zaal	€ 7,00
23:00-01:00	After drinks	Zaal	

SAT 1 APRIL

12:00-22:00	<b>Art exhibition</b> Unsolicited Brick Pic by Cece Monroe / Reimaging Sex Work / Art works by Victoria Catalina	Cafe	Free
15:00-21:00	Sirens by Nat Portnoy	Tuinkamer	Free
12:00-14:00	<b>Responding to WRS: a community-led campaign</b> (workshop & brunch) <i>Sex Worker Only</i>	Zaal	Free
12:00-14:00	<b>Erotic Self-portrait by Nat Portnoy</b> (workshop)	Tuinkamer	Donation (suggested € 5)
14:30-16:30	<b>The Fabulous Ones</b> (documentary/feature) presented by TranScreen	Zaal	€ 7,00
15:00-21:00	<b>XtraSexyReality</b> (VR experience)	Tuinkamer	Free
17:00-19:00	<b>Shorts 1 (film programme) + Q&amp;A</b> <b>- co-hosted by Kaboom Animation Festival</b>	Zaal	€ 7,00
18:00-22:00	<b>Peep Show Hoes</b> (performance)	Courtyard	Donation/tips
20:00-21:30	<b>Whores Out Loud</b> (panel discussion) Trans United, Striptopia and Queer is Not a Manifesto	Zaal	Free/donation
22:00-00:00	<b>Whores Out Loud</b> (queer stripclub) Trans United, Striptopia and Queer is Not a Manifesto	Zaal	€20 (Combi-ticket)
00:00-03:00	<b>Whores Out Loud</b> (party) Trans United, Striptopia and Queer is Not a Manifesto	Zaal	€20 (Combi-ticket)

SUN 2 APRIL

12:00-20:30	<b>Art exhibition</b> Unsolicited Brick Pic by Cece Monroe / Reimaging Sex Work / Art works by Victoria Catalina	Cafe	Free
12:00-13:30 & 16:30-20:30	Sirens by Nat Portnoy	Tuinkamer	Free
14:00-16:00	<b>Add Some Cinema to Your Sexy Content by Yvette Luhrs</b> (masterclass) <i>Sex Worker Only</i>	Tuinkamer	Donation (suggested € 10)
16:00-18:00	<b>Shorts 2</b> (film programme) + Q&A	Zaal	€ 7,00
18:30-20:30	<b>Rua dos Anjos</b> (documentary)	Zaal	€ 7,00
20:30-22:00	Closing drinks	Zaal	

GENERAL INFO

**Location:** Cinetol Tolstraat 182, Amsterdam  
**Zaal:** Wheelchair accessible (ground floor)  
**Tuinkamer:** Not wheelchair accessible (up the stairs)

**Tickets:** For all programmes with ticket prices please go to [www.cinetol.nl/podium](http://www.cinetol.nl/podium)  
 For all workshops and events requiring reservation go to [www.queer.red](http://www.queer.red)

**More info about the festival  
and our other events:**

[www.queer.red](http://www.queer.red)  
[www.facebook.com/queer.red](https://www.facebook.com/queer.red)  
[www.instagram.com/queer.red](https://www.instagram.com/queer.red)

**Festival Pass for all films €35**  
**Single ticket film €7**

**Workshops and Performances  
priced separately**  
**See programme for details**



# Welcome to queer.red presents: WHOREHOUSE CINEMA!

A brand new sex worker film & arts festival, serving you our first festival edition between 31 March and April 2nd 2023 at Cinetol in Amsterdam.

We are a collective consisting of (former) sex workers, feminists, queer and trans people from all different walks of life and backgrounds and operate under the name of queer.red presents! We organise events in The Netherlands on the topic of sex work and aim to destigmatise sex work through more nuanced and diverse representation. Our focus is on art created by sex workers which are broader than the usual, narrow ideas and stereotypes - instead seeking to promote intersectional imagery made with, by and for with sex worker communities.

For our first festival edition, we will bring everything to the table, or better: stage. A sharp selection of films (feature, short, documentary, fiction, animation) will transport you through a variety of worlds from sex workers' perspectives. There will be workshops on making erotic content, an art exhibition adorning the walls of Cinetol, a VR XtraSexy-Reality experience (that's right), a Peepshow Hoes performance in the courtyard and big and juicy pop-up technology driven

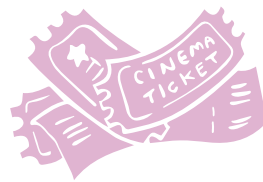
strip club Striptopia.

During the festival, we want those who are most impacted by injustice, capitalism, racism, homo- and transphobia, to be able to participate in our festival. Therefore some programmes will be free or donation-based. Other than securing the venue, all funds go directly to the sex worker community and filmmakers including hiring vendors and other support who are current or former sex workers. Also - to be attentive to sex workers's needs for safe spaces - some of the workshops will be sex worker only. And finally - where not otherwise noted, all 18+ are welcome! As the title of our little festival suggests, there will be some adult content...

We hope you will enjoy all of these goodies. Our thanks goes out to the many contributors that have so kindly agreed to showcase their work. Thank you so much!

See you at the Whorehouse!

The *queer.red presents!* team  
Alexis, Aline, Majk and Plette



# SEX WORKER ART EXHIBITION

Friday 31 March 18:00-23:00  
Saturday 1 April 12:00-22:00  
Sunday 2 April 12:00-20:30  
Free entrance

## Unsolicited Brick Pic by Cece Monroe

A response to male sexual violence in the digital age.  
*Location: Cafe*



## Reimagining Sex Work

Reimagining Sex Work is a feminist, activist collaborative project between sex workers, journalists and photographers.  
*Location: Cafe*

## Art works by Victoria Catalina

A selection of illustrations and prints that explore the weird, the queer and the sexual through a playful approach.  
*Location: Cafe*



## Sirens by Nat Portnoy

Photos from the ongoing project "Sirens" are primarily focused on navigating complex power dynamics on adult film sets and capturing the true intimacy in the community of queer sex workers, their friends, and loved ones that have not been staged.  
*Location: Tuinkamer*

Saturday 1 April 15:00-21:00

Sunday 2 April 12:00-13:30 & 16:30-20:30



# FRIDAY 31 MARCH

## Peep Show Hoes (performance)

A celebratory mix of art, design, theater and activism on wheels: a protest against all the closures of legal and safe workplaces for sex workers in the Netherlands. Come in and take a look!

Location: Courtyard

Times: 18:00-22:00

Entry: Tip/Donation



## Opening words + The Oleanders (documentary) + presented by TranScreen Amsterdam Transgender Film Festival

Paola Reveniotti / Greece / 2020 / 67 min / Greek with English subtitles

Paola, Betty, and Eva, three trans\* women in their 60s on a night stroll through Athens revisit the streets and places where they started sex working at an early age, where they had fun and found love, struggled, existed, and gloriously resisted.

Location: Zaal

Times: 19:00-20:30

Tickets: €7



## KENYA (documentary) + introduction & performance by Papaya Kuir

Gisela Delgadillo / Mexico / 2022 / 88 min / Spanish with English subtitles

After witnessing the murder of her friend, Kenya, a trans woman sex worker, embarks on a path of struggle and search for justice that leads her to face the fear and pain of seeing herself reflected in that tragic ending.

Papaya Kuir is an intersectional feminist collective for and by trans and queer Latinx asylum seekers, refugees and migrants in the Netherlands.

Location: Zaal

Times: 21:00-23:00

Tickets: €7



# SATURDAY 1 APRIL

## Responding to WRS: a community-led campaign (workshop & brunch)

A cross-organisational group of sex worker activists from SWAD (Sex Work Alliance Destigmatisation) joined an action group to develop a national campaign to respond to the imminent threat of a new set of regulations and legislation in the Netherlands (WRS).

Location: Zaal

Times: 12:00-14:00

Entry: Free - reserve a space online (Max 30 Participants **Sex Workers Only**)

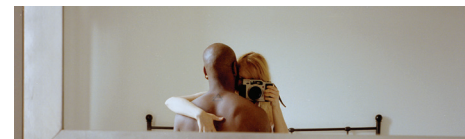
## Erotic photography by Nat Portnoy (workshop)

In this all-inclusive, body and sex positive workshop, we focus on unlocking Intimacy and self-discovery through erotic selfies, exploring the possibilities of smartphone cameras and accessible items in the process of creating an intimate space. Nat Portnoy is a multidisciplinary, queer artist, filmmaker, and writer from Poland, based in the Netherlands.

Location: Tuinkamer

Times: 12:00-14:00

Reservations: Donation (suggested €5)



## The Fabulous Ones (documentary/feature) + presented by TranScreen Amsterdam Transgender Film Festival

Roberta Torre / Italy / 75 min / 2022 / Italian with English subtitles

It often happens that after death trans women are deprived of their identity. That's what happened to Antonia, too. Her friends gather to invoke her, in an attempt to give Antonia her denied femininity.

Location: Zaal

Times: 14:30-16:30

Tickets: €7

## XtraSexyReality (VR experience)

XtraSexyReality is a choose-your-own-adventure porn experience that works with Virtual Reality headsets.

Location: Tuinkamer

Times: 15:00-21:00

Entry: Free

## Shorts 1 (film programme) + Q&A - co-hosted by Kaboom Animation Festival

Location: Zaal

Times: 17:00-19:00

Tickets: €7

Sexual Healing  
Maximus Skaff / USA / 2021 / 22 min / English

An exploration into the healing powers of sex work from both client and sex worker perspectives.



Intimacy  
 Elodie Dermange / CH / 2017 /  
 5 min / English

As she is showering, dressing, putting on her make-up, a woman bares her porn-loving soul. She speaks of her fears, her complexes, and the process of accepting – even loving – herself.



Stripped  
 Jevon Boreland / Canada / 2018 /  
 10 min / English

This is the personal, untold story of Phylicia Carty, also known as Mz Lady Ice, whose life took her in the direction of becoming one of the most revolutionary urban exotic dancers in the Toronto adult entertainment industry.

Cupid Into Transmutation  
 Dexter Boldewijn / NL / 2022 / 13  
 min / English

The edgy and personal student film follows a transgender boy named Caesar living in a big city. On the run from his traumatic past, he tries to make a living as a camboy.

Lizzy and Seyyah  
 Kristian Petersen / Germany /  
 2018 / 10 min / German with  
 English subtitles  
 Lizzy and Seyyah fuck!

Positions  
 Justin Ducharme / Canada / 2018  
 / 12 min / English

A simple and naturalistic approach to a day in the life of a two-spirit, male sex worker as he visits his clients.



Happy Ending  
 Ara Choi / UK / 2018 / 5 min /  
 English with subtitles

A poetic animated documentary based on an anonymous online testimony of a Korean sex worker. *Content warning: This film contains sexual contact and strong language.*



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SATURDAY 1 APRIL

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## Whores Out Loud

Panel Discussion | Queer Stripclub | Big Party  
 All profits go to sex workers and strippers involved in this event

### PANEL DISCUSSION

Time: 20:00-21:30

Location: Zaal

Free/donation entrance (reserve online)

The panel discussion will focus on (the lack of) autonomy of sex workers and strippers. How can strippers get more direct financial control in their work environment? How does current national and local policy making enforce or discourage autonomy and agency for sex workers? How can sex workers and strippers rights be enhanced and what is needed from the queer community to show solidarity and support?

### STRIPTOPIA

Time: 22:00-00:00

Location: Zaal

Entrance - Combiticket Striptopia and Party €20 euro

If you identify as BIPOC, sex worker, stripper, refugee, migrant and/or queer and you are struggling to pay the entrance fee: please fill in the form via our website to reserve your spot on the guest list.



Striptopia is a pop-up technology driven strip club. Founder Maggie Saunders designed an app through which visitors of the strip club can directly and digitally finance the strippers which enhances transparency and healthier client interactions. At the same time Striptopia gives away a thrilling show with a grandiose collective of sex workers, strippers, performance artists and drag queens.



### BIG PARTY

Time: 00:00-03:00

Location: Zaal

Sex work is work! Support the sex workers and strippers community by dancing your ass off! Multiple DJ's will make you want to show your sexy moves.



# SUNDAY 2 APRIL

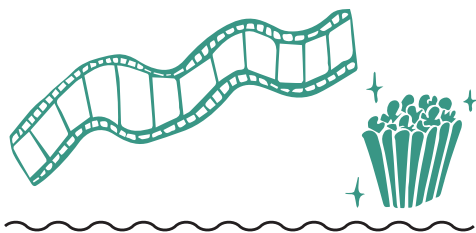
## Add Some Cinema to Your Sexy Content - by Yvette Luhrs (masterclass)

In this **SEX WORKER ONLY Masterclass** we look at how you can use basic cinematic techniques to help you create sexy content that makes you look your best! Content creators, in the form of videos, photo sets and/or live cam shows, are invited to take a deep dive into their own work and their esthetical interests. Yvette Luhrs is a pornographer, film scholar and sex worker.

*Location: Tuinkamer*

*Times: 14:00-16:00*

*Reservations: donation based, suggested donation €10. Reserve online (10 max. Sex Workers only)*



## Shorts 2 (film programme) + Q&A

*Location: Zaal*

*Times: 16:00-18:00*

*Tickets: €7*

### Family Matters

*Maximus Skaff / USA / 2022 / 23 min / English*

A realistic look into the lives and relationships between sex workers and their family members.



### Strip

*Kateřina Turečková / Czech Republic / 2015 / 10 min / Czech with English subtitles*

An intimate look into the relationship of two girls. One is a stripper and the other has a problem with it.



### Sexarbeit und Beziehung (Sex Work and Relationship)

*Aaron und Pauli / Germany & Austria / 2020 & 2021 / 27 min / German with English subtitles*

Us sex workers have relationships and lovers just as other human beings.

### Oubliette

*Charly Flyte / UK / 2023 / 9 min / English*

In a glittering womb-like London dungeon, a dominatrix shares countless moments of seductive and sadistic kink with a regular client.

*Content warning: BDSM, implied themes of coercion and abusive relationships*



### Every Day Burns

*Aidan Jung & Tyler Murgo / USA / 2020 / 5 min / English*

Award winning pole dancer, Sada Velasquez, addresses the familial and social stigma she must overcome in order to pursue her passion for dance.



### Indélébile/Graffiti Politique

*Deep and Cheap Media & Equipe Ephemere / France / 2021 / 7 min / French with English subtitles*

Paris, 2020, in the midst of the pandemic, a social movement is raging. A feminist graffiti activist group prepares an action for the respect of whores.



### Rua dos Anjos (documentary)

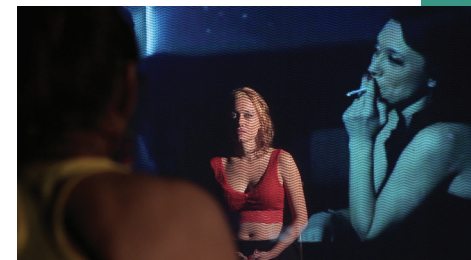
*Renata Ferraz & Maria Roxo / Portugal / Brazil / 2022 / 84 min / Portuguese with English subtitles*

A film built upon the encounter and shared film creation of two women. They narrate and witness personal stories while exchanging certain techniques of their respective crafts: sex work and filmmaking.

*Location: Zaal*

*Times: 18:30-20:30*

*Tickets: €7*



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