

# BUT YOU ARE A DOG

A film by: Malin Erixon



## Synopsis

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An odd group of people gather to see an unusual dance performance. They all have their own issues but nevertheless, they can't help but notice the odd one out. This is a nontraditional love story, between a man and his... special friend.

## Production information

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**Original title:** But You Are a Dog

**English title:** But You Are a Dog

**Category:** Animation

**Genré:** Drama

**Duration:** 11:52 min

**Origin:** Sweden

**Production year:** 2014

**Premiere date:** January 2014

**Technique:** Computer 2D. Hand drawn backgrounds.

**Formats:** HD-cam / DCP (Digital Cinema Package) / HD Video file: ProRes422HQ and .h264 / DVD

**Image format:** widescreen (16:9)

**Sound format:** surround 5.1

**Dialogue:** English

## Team

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**Director, scriptwriter & producer:** Malin Erixon

**Associate producer:** Johan Ribe

**Production company:** Ganzanderes Animation / [www.ganzanderes.com](http://www.ganzanderes.com)

**Voice actor:** Shanti Roney

**Design & animation:** Malin Erixon

**Editing:** Malin Erixon & Johan Ribe

**Sound design:** Lea Korsgaard

**Music:** Christofer Ahde

**Dramaturgical and artistic advisor:** Johan Ribe

**Dramaturgical advisor:** Malin Ekerstedt

**Technical advisor:** Nils Nouchi

**Voice recording technician:** Mikael Lundh

*Inspired by the choreography "Hand Show" by Tove Salmgren*

**Financial support by:** • The Swedish Film Institute / film commissioner Andreas Fock  
• iFilm

**Swedish distribution by:** Folkets Bio

## Director's comments

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The idea for this film is based on a show I went to some time ago – a choreography performance by Tove Salmgren. The performance reminded me of how differently we perceive art and culture, depending on how much preunderstanding we have of what we are experiencing. And I pondered how our appreciation of culture is affected by others when consumed in a group.

## Director's biography

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**Born:** 1975

**Place of birth:** Stockholm, Sweden

**Education:** Konstfack University College of Arts, Crafts and Design  
Forsbergs School of Design and Berghs School of Communications

Malin Erixon founded the company Ganzanderes Animation & Illustration in the year 2000 where she freelances doing contracted as well as independent film productions. Her films have been screened at film festivals all over the world, including the Sundance Film Festival, and have received numerous recognitions and awards.

## Director's filmography (a selection)

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- 2016 **Sleep Incidents** – *in production*
- 2014 **But You Are a Dog**
- 2012 **Benjamin's Flowers**
- 2005 **Death by Heart** – *student film*
- 2004 **En Kålmasks Äventyr** – *student film*  
A Cabbageworm's Adventure

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**Film's website:**

www.butyouareadog.com

**Swedish distribution:**

Folkets Bio

## Awards, festivals and screenings

The film's release date: January, 2014.

### STOCKMOTION FILMFESTIVAL 2015

*Nominated for Best Short Film.*

Sweden.

### CLAIR-OBSCUR FILM FESTIVAL 2015

Switzerland.

### INTERNATIONAL URBAN FILM FESTIVAL 2015

*Special Mention: "Jury's Appreciation"*

Teheran, Iran.

### NEWPORT BEACH FILM FESTIVAL 2015

California, USA.

### TRICKY WOMEN ANIMATION FESTIVAL 2015

*Nominated for Best Short Film*

Austria.

### MIYUKINO SNOW THEATER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2015

Japan.

### CINEUPHORIA AWARD 2015

*Nominated for a CinAuphoria Award*

for Best Animated Character 2015 (The Dog).

### **NOMINATED FOR A GULDBAGGE AWARD FOR BEST SHORT FILM 2014**

The Guldbagge Awards are Sweden's leading film awards and have been presented since 1964 for outstanding contributions to Swedish film over the past year. 

### **AWARDED A SILVER DIPLOMA AT KOLLA! 2014**

the Association of Swedish Illustrators and Graphic Designers' (Svenska Tecknare) yearly competition in illustration and design.

### PINK LIFE QUEERFEST 2015

Turkey's only queer film festival. 15-22 January in Ankara and 23-25 January 2015 in Istanbul.

### LILJEVALCHS VÅRSALONG 2015

The famous jury-selected Spring Salon Exhibition that marks the opening of each new artistic year at Liljevalchs Art Gallery in Stockholm. Last year the exhibition had nearly 80,000 visitors and this is the 2nd time I'm represented at Liljevalchs. 30 Jan - 29 March 2015. Sweden.

### STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2014

*Nominated for the 1 KM FILM-scholarship.*

Sweden.

### FREDRIKSTAD ANIMATION FESTIVAL 2014

*Nominated for Best Nordic-Baltic Short Film.*

The festival is one of the nine animation film festivals which nominate films for the prestigious European animation award Cartoon d'Or. Norway.

### UPPSALA INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL 2014

*Nominated for Best Swedish Short Film.*

The biggest festival for short film in Sweden.

*Cinema premiere:*

### CINEMAS ACROSS SWEDEN 2014

Premieres at cinemas across Sweden on October 16, 2014.

Distributed by Folkets Bio.

### QUEER LISBOA 2014

*Nominated for Best Short Film.*

The biggest festival for queer film in Portugal.

### HELSINKI INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2014

The biggest film festival in Finland.

### CINEMA QUEER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2014

The biggest festival for queer film in Sweden. Stockholm, Malmö, Umeå, and Kiruna.

### CANNES FILM FESTIVAL 2014: SHORT FILM CORNER

Non-public.

### BERLINALE FILM CLOUD 2014

A non-public screening, curated by the Berlinale.

*World premiere:*

### GÖTEBORG INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2014

*Nominated for Startsladden 2014  
(Best Swedish Short Film)*

The leading film festival in Scandinavia and, with an audience of 200 000 visitors a year, one of the largest festivals in the world. Startsladden is one of the biggest short film prizes in the world.

*If you are an international film festival interested in screening the film, please contact Theo Tsappos at the Swedish Film Institute. [theo.tsappos@sfi.se](mailto:theo.tsappos@sfi.se)*

*Svenska filmfestivaler kan kontakta: [info@ganzanderes.com](mailto:info@ganzanderes.com).*

**Stills from the film**

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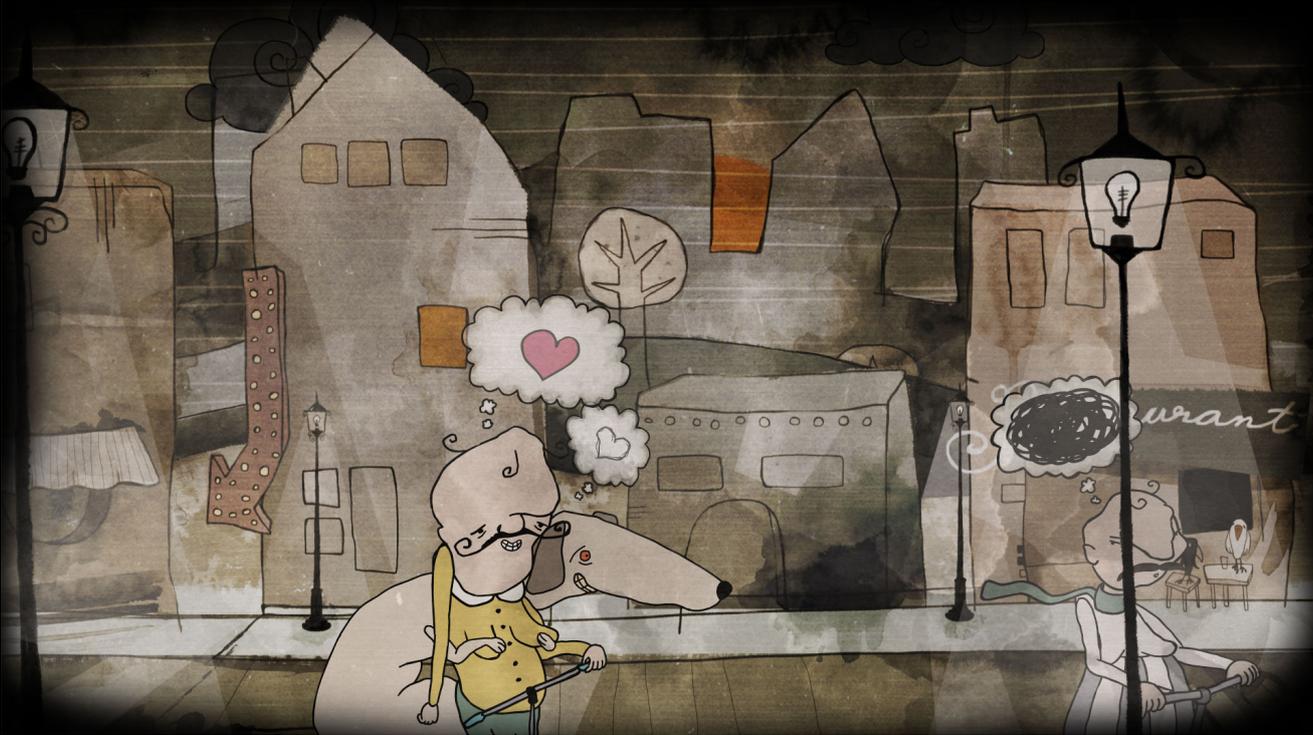
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**Director's photo: Malin Erixon**

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