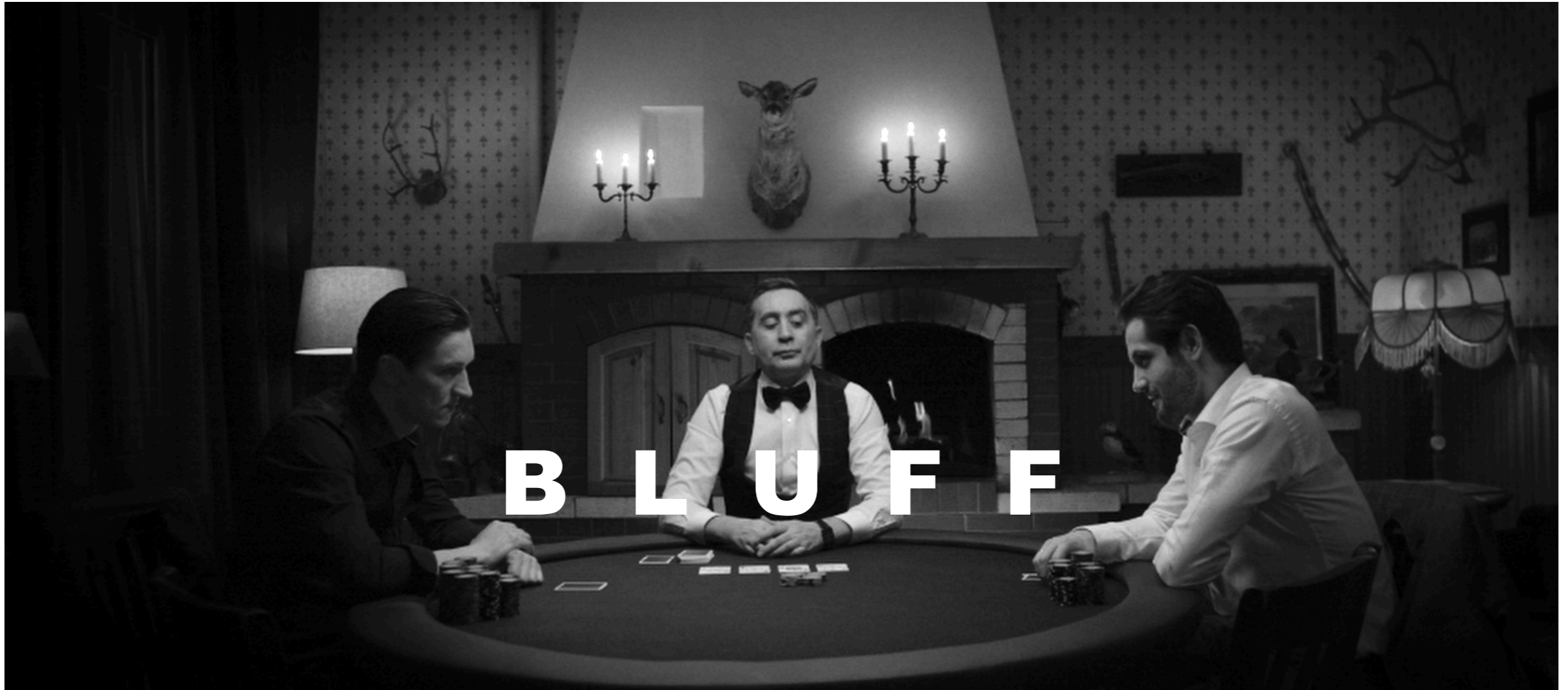


FILM BY ARTUR MATVEEV
PRODUCED BY ANDREY LISYANSKIY



THERE ARE NO FRIENDS IN POKER
EITHER IN BUSINESS

SYNOPSIS

THERE ARE NO FRIENDS IN POKER, EITHER IN BUSINESS...

BLUFF, Russia, 19 min, short

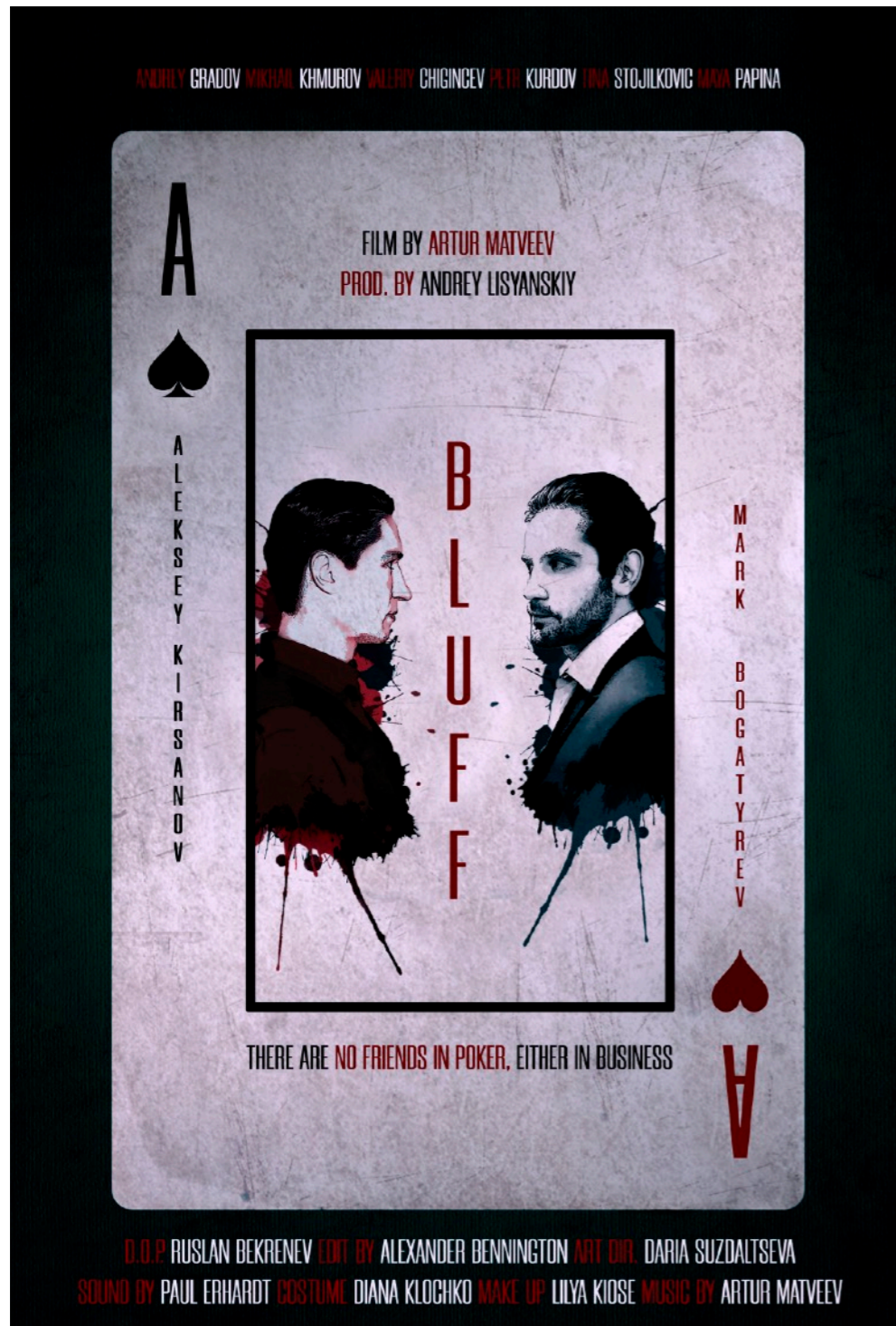
Leonid and German are business partners, former friends and members of an elite poker club. Here, using card game, players can solve conflicts much more serious than money they bet. How far they are ready to go in this game battle, as like as in life confrontation, and who'll win it - depends on ability to evaluate every own step...



Genre: criminal drama, thriller

Language: Russian | **Subtitles:** English, Spanish, Chinese

Screening format: 2K DCP | 2.0 | Color & Black and White



TEAM

CAST



MARK
BOGATYREV

Was born in 1984, Moscow. Graduated Moscow Art Theatre School (course by Igor Zolotovitskiy). Has more than 25 projects as an actor, including very popular series in Russia like «Kitchen» (2012-2015, Maksim Lavrov), «Korni» (since 2020, Dima Korolev) and «Chikatillo 2» (2021).

character: **LEONID**



ALEKSEY
KIRSANOV

Was born in 1986, Moscow. Graduated Moscow Art Theatre School (course by Igor Zolotovitskiy). Has more than 50 projects as an actor of TV series like «Besy» (2014), «ZKD» (2016), «Dyatlov's Pass» (2020), «Zoloto Lagina» (2021), «Za chas do rassveta» (2020-2021), «Chikatillo 2» (2021)

character: **GERMAN**



ANDREI
GRADOV

Was born in 1954, Moscow. Graduated Boris Shchukin theatre institute. Soviet and Russian theatre, film and dubbing actor. Has more than 250 projects, including "The Place Of Meeting can not be changed» (1979, Kolya Taraskin), «Beregite Zhenshchin!» (1981, Zhenya Maslovskiy) and "Guest from the Future» (1984, Ishutin).

character: **NIKOLAI**



MIKHAIL
KHMUROV

Was born in 1966, Tula. Graduated Boris Shchukin theatre institute. Soviet, Russian and Hollywood film actor. Has more than 100 projects. In 1991 moved to USA. Acted in such series as «Law&Order 4» (1994), «The Shield» (2005), «Numb3rs» (2006), «CSI: Miami» (2009), as well as in many Russian films and series.

character: **ANATOLY**

TEAM

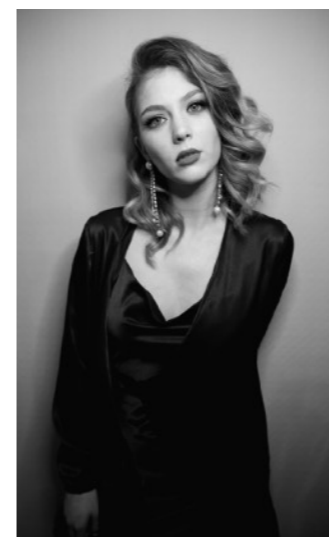
CAST



VALERY
CHIGINCEV



PIOTR
KURDOV



TINA
STOJILKOVIC



MAYYA
PAPINA



ALEKSEY
PASHCHENKO



EVGENIYA
YURIST



OLGA
PAPINA



ARTUR
MATVEEV

TEAM

CREW



Director, script and composer
Producer, script and location
D.O.P.
2nd camera
Editor
Art director
Location Sound
Costume
Dir. Assistant
2nd dir. Assistants

D.O.P Assistant
Sound Design and Mastering
Color Correction
Decorator
CG
Make-up Artists

Guitar
Statists

Action transport
Photographer

Artur Matveev
Andrey Lisianskiy
Ruslan Bekrenev
Anton Petersen
Alexander Bennington
Daria Suzdaltseva
Pavel Erhardt
Diana Klochko
Anna Neludova
Natalya Rymar
Diana Shapshay
Artem Belozarov
Mikhail Leontiev
Sasha Zotov
Evgeniy Karelov
Oleg Kondratyev
Ksenia Kachalova,
Svetlana Kosinova,
Alisa Kolyuchkina,
Liliya Kiose
Leonid Fomin
Anton Petersen
Konstantin Kiryukhin
Leonid Lisianskiy
Daria Ratushina

ABOUT DIRECTOR



"This project collected professionals of industry, and it is definitely new step in my career. Compared to last movie «Deja Vu», «Bluff» concentrates on the story twists, which will hold you until the scenes after the final titles. Great actors cast immerses you more to the atmosphere shown on the screen. As a director, I wanted to give our main actors opportunity to play characters not familiar to them, to move them out of comfort zone of usual roles, and I think that guys performed it 100 percent. I want to say thank to my team, cause together we created a great movie!»

A. Matveev

BIOGRAPHY

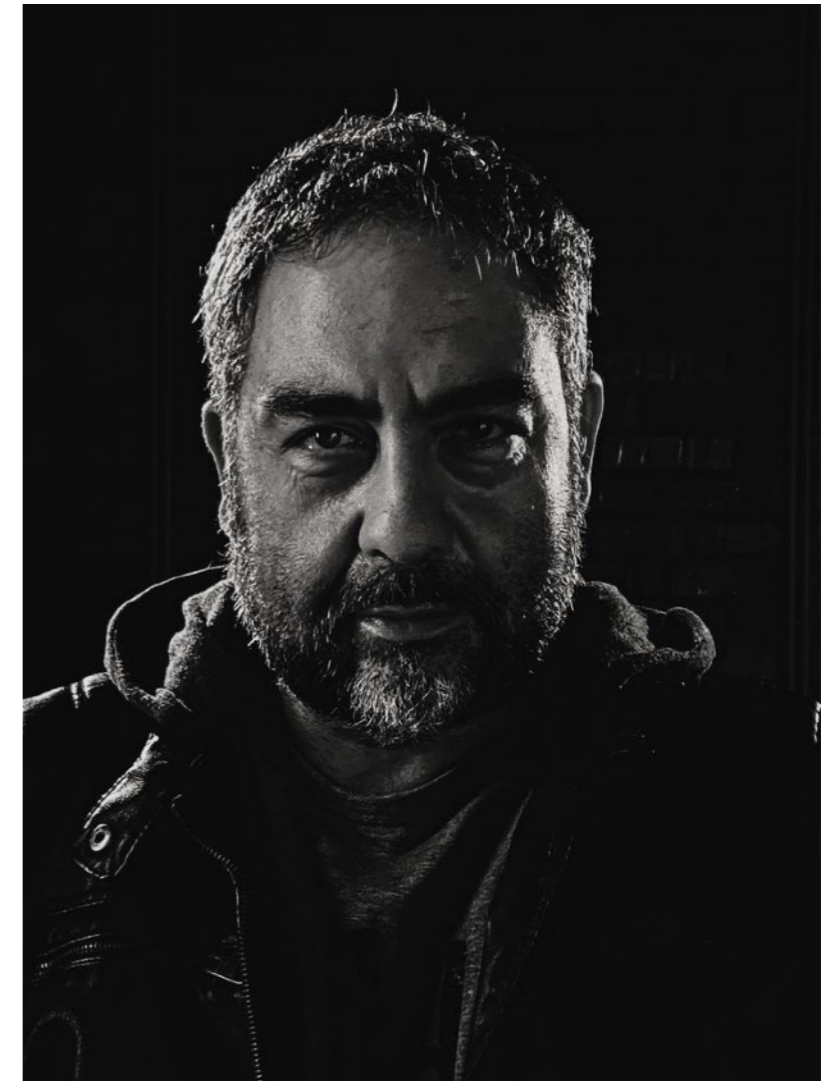
Artur was born in 1992 in Naberezhniye Chelny city. Moved to Saint-Petersburg to study for a pilot, when he was 17 years old. Currently he is a captain of Boeing 737NG. At free time he writes books and music. In 2020 got a film director degree in "A.Mitta Film School" and made his first short movie «Deja Vu», now it's been showing on festivals around the world. Then in collaboration with producer and director Andrey Lisianskiy made next short-movie «Bluff». Now he is working on a full-length film.

PREVIOUS FESTIVALS & AWARDS ("DEJA VU"):



BIOGRAPHY

Andrey was born in 1972 in Moscow. Graduated Moscow University of Communication (radio systems), American University of Business Administration (marketing), Institute of professional retraining and qualification upgrade (film and TV director), «A. Mitta Film School» (operator degree). In 1995 started to make private short films and corporate promo-videos. Took part in organisation of «The Year of Culture in Russia» opening event, 2014. In 2021 produced and directed short film «Lift». Businessman, film and events producer, film director.

PREVIOUS FESTIVALS & AWARDS («LIFT»):

«We wanted to make a movie about the gambling, that can destroy friendship, love and life itself. Heroes betray each other, as well as themselves. Poker - is a metaphor, depicting their dirty game in real life. We wanted to meet the quality of modern cinematography: acting, story, music, structure - and I think that we made it.»

A. Lisianskiy

INTERESTING FACTS

PRODUCTION PERIOD TOOK **3 DAYS**
THIS FILM COULD BE A PART OF
FULL-LENGTH MOVIE
ALL INTERNAL LOCATIONS
CREATED IN THE SAME HOUSE



POKER TABLE WAS SPECIALLY
DESIGNED FOR THE FILM
3 ACTORS AT THE TABLE
NEVER PLAYED CARDS

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