



CROOKED FINGER

SYNOPSIS

After the sudden deaths of her aging parents, Maria (**Paula Jon DeRose**) returns to her childhood home on Cape Cod. When Maria's estranged brother Nico (**Blake DeLong**) and his older girlfriend Sigrid (**Welker White**) show up to help sort out the estate, tensions soon rise about how to best sell the decrepit house. While Maria and Sigrid forge an unexpected friendship, Nico's emotional state becomes increasingly volatile. Is it the effects of an old brain injury, the toll of revisiting past family traumas, or something related to the strange vibrating hum that only Maria seems to hear?

DIRECTORS

Julia Halperin and Jason Cortlund co-directed the arthouse feature **NOW, FORAGER** (2012). It premiered at IFF Rotterdam and New Directors/New Films and was nominated for a Gotham Award for Breakthrough Director. Their follow-up, **BARRACUDA** (2017) starring Allison Tolman and JoBeth Williams was originally developed at a Venice Biennale College-Cinema workshop. The film premiered in the narrative competition at SXSW and in the Critics Week competition at Cairo IFF and was acquired by Samuel Goldwyn/Orion.

AWARDS

Huhtamo IFF	Best Feature Film
Block Island FF	Best Narrative Feature
	Best Director
	Best Screenplay
New Bedford FF	Best Actress
	Best Supporting Actress
George Lindsey FF	Best Narrative Feature
Weyauwega IFF	Best Suspense/Thriller
Bread & Roses FF	Best of the Fest
Montevideo Fantástico	Best Actress
Mystic FF	Best Ensemble Cast
Ridgefield IFF	Best Psychological Suspense

SCREENING CATEGORY: Narrative Feature
GENRE: Psychological Suspense, Thriller, Drama
COUNTRY: USA
RUNNING TIME: 92 minutes
RIGHTS AVAILABLE: All territories
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PREMIERES: American Film Festival (World/Poland); IFF Boston (US)
PRODUCTION COMPANIES: Small Drama & Salem Street Entertainment
PRODUCERS: Julia Halperin & Todd Remis
DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY: Jonathan Nastasi
WRITER: Jason Cortlund