

# Fallen Blossoms

A FILM BY LIOR SHAMRIZ



# SYNOPSIS

The three stories - "Fallen Blossoms", "The Couple", and "The Cold Desert" - intertwine as backdrop landscapes passed by while we journeyed.

An essayistic tale alluding to a diffusion in queerness.

Created by three different production modes ("vintage", "underground film" and "art performance"), a substantial part of the filming process integrated publicly open performances in a studio with a live audience.



**GUO LI** An actor and model based in Beijing



JAMES MICHAEL COWAN An actor and performer based in Los Angeles



PATRICE ROTH A dancer & actress based in Los Angeles



**CONSTANCE COOPER** A performer, actor, model and host based in Los Angeles. Best known for the series of his portraits taken by Robert Mapplethorpe



**PAUL OUTLAW** An experimental theater artist who lives and works in Los Angeles



CINEMATOGRAPHY:

**RAMZI HIBRI** A performance-artist and filmmaker based in Beirut



# DIRECTED BY LIOR SHAMRIZ

Born in 1978 in Ashkelon on the East Mediterranean, Shamriz creates essayistic narrations that utilize cinema as performance and the cinematic languages as a process of reflexive documentation.

Since 2007, his work was presented at numerous international film festivals, including the Berlin Film Festival (2010, 2013, 2015), Locarno, Torino, Frameline, Sarajevo, BAFICI and venues such as MoMA in New York, KW-Berlin, Centre George Pompidou Paris and the Ludwig Museum Köln, awarded prizes at the Oberhausen Kurzfilmtage (2013,2014,2015), Achtung Berlin New Berlin Award (2010) and others. He was nominated to the Max Ophüls Prize for a Feature Film, shortlisted for the Preis der Nationalgalerie in Germany and received retrospectives at the Thessaloniki International Film Festival, Ars Independent Katowice, Belgrade and Berlin. Also makes music.





# DIRECTOR FILMOGRAPHY (SELECTION)

- 2015 \* "The Night", 7 mins
  - \* "Cancelled Faces", 80 mins
- 2014 \* "L'amour sauvage",25 mins
- 2013 \* "The Present of Cinema",7 mins
- 2013 \* "The Runaway Troupe of the Cartesian Theater", 18 mins
- 2012 \* "Beyond Love And Companionship", 18 mins
  - \* "A Low Life Mythology", 80 mins
- 2010 \* "Mirrors for Princes", 63 mins
  - \* "Ritenuto", 48 mins
  - \* **"Titan"**, 40 mins
  - \* "Return Return", 26 mins
- 2009 \* "Saturn Returns", 93 mins
- 2008 \* "The Magic Desk", 10 mins
- 2007 \* "Before the Flowers of Friendship Faded Friendship Faded",7m
  - \* "Japan Japan", 65 mins
- 2006 \* "Ho! Terrible Exteriors", 28 mins
- 2002 \* "Albania", 7 mins

ON-SITE LIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCE BY MICHAEL DEMAIO, ANTONIO BEECROFT, ROLLIN HUNT, WEI CHEN, STEFAN HACKL

COSTUMES: RAMICHAEL AKIO MONSOD, JOHANNA DEEB SET DESIGN: ROLLIN HUNT, REBECCA JACKSON, MELLA OJEDA EDITED BY LIOR SHAMRIZ & CARY CRONENWETT ADDITIONAL SOUNDTRACK MUSIC BY MICHAEL DEMAIO MIXED BY JOCHEN JEZUSSEK CAMERA ASSISTANCE: LYDIA HICKS, KORNELIA KUGLER, ANNA ZETT, KRISTOF TRAKAL, CARY CRONENWETT ASSISTANTS: ERIC HAMIDI, SINEAD LILLES MAKEUP: ELSIE SIMONE, JOHANNA DEEB

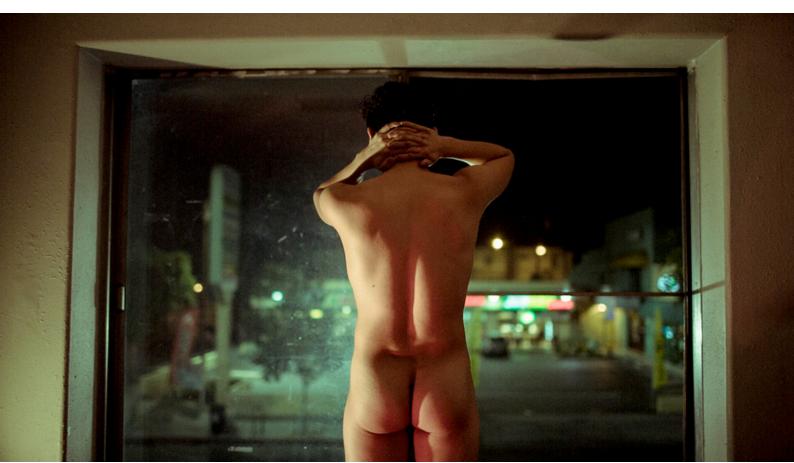
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### SPEKTAKULATIV PICTURES PRESENTS: "FALLEN BLOSSOMS" – A FILM BY LIOR SHAMRIZ

# STARRING

# GUO LI & JAMES MICHAEL COWAN

## FEATURING

ILKER ABAY JILL K ALLEN ARCHI ARCHIBALD ANTONIO BEECROFT ALESSIO BONACCORSI KIRSTEN BURGER SVANA BURGER JOHN DEMBSKI WEI CHEN CONSTANCE COOPER JOHANNA DEEB MICHAEL DEMAIO NINA FOG STEFAN HACKL HARRY HAINS WILLOW HALE ROLLIN HUNT REBECKA JACKSON SAXON JONES KRISTOF LAMP TOMAS LISKA JULIAN MARTINEZ

KATERINA MISIHRONI PAUL OUTLAW MAY RIGLER LEON RIGLER MOOGRABI KRISTEL ROCHE PATRICE ROTH KATJA SALLAY JOSE SARMIENTO HINOJOSA LIOR SHAMRIZ OFIR SIMAN-TOV JANICE TANAKA

# DIRECTED BY LIOR SHAMRIZ CINEMATOGRAPHY: RAMZI HIBRI SOUNDTRACK BY ROLLIN HUNT

# FILMED IN FRONT OF A LIVE STUDIO AUDIENCE AT PAM LOS ANGELES & WOLF BERLIN

BASED ON THE BOOK BY JOSE PIEMONTE EL-SALAM SOUNDTRACK DESIGN BY ASSAF GIDRON PRODUCED BY SPEKTAKULATIV PICTURES PRODUCED BY LIOR SHAMRIZ PRODUCED BY RAMZI HIBRI ASSOC. PRODUCER: HEINZ EMIGHOLZ CO-PRODUCED BY FILMGALERIE 451

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