

# Vegetare

A stop motion animation/ video short by:

Kristen Baumliér

(TRT= 00:02:38 , 2 minutes 38 seconds, 2011)

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#### SHORT SYNOPSIS

Vegetare is a stop motion animation which is a visual journey of the growth of food on a family farm. The piece features images of crops of cabbages, cauliflower, corn, tomatoes, and eggplant plants growing from seedlings to harvest and presents an intimate view of plants in various stages of growth from planting to harvest.

## **DESCRIPTION AND INFORMATION**

Vegetare (which is Latin for "to grow") is a stop motion animation short which is a visual journey of the growth and production of food. The piece features images of crops of cabbages, cauliflower, corn, tomatoes, and eggplant plants growing from seedlings to harvest.

Family farms were once a way of life throughout rural America, but today, many of these smaller farming operations are a thing of the past, rendered extinct due to financial hardships and other agricultural developments. Farmers harness new technologies to help their operations, including weed and insect-resistant biotechnological crops and genetically engineered livestock.

Vegetare was filmed at Rainbow Farm, a local family farm in Madison, OH from June to September of 2010, and presents an intimate view of crops in their various stages of growth, and the cycle of life from planting to harvest.

The music in the piece was composed and performed by Joshua Rodriguez and Mary Vanhoozer.

## **CONSERVATION!! - CREDITS**

#### Director:

Kristen Baumliér

## **Producer:**

Kristen Baumliér

## **Editing / Animation / Special FXs:**

Kristen Baumliér

## Videography/Photography:

Kristen Baumliér

## **Music Composition and Performance**

Joshua Rodriguez and Mary Vanhoozer

## VIDEO TECHNICAL INFORMATION

TITLE: Vegetare

TRT: 00:02:38 (2 minutes 38 seconds)

GENRE: Animation Short, Experimental video short

AUDIO: Stereo

MEDIA: Digital Video, DVD NTSC DV, Blue-ray, Digital

FORMAT: DVD, Blue-Ray, MiniDV, BETA; other formats upon request

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## ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

Kristen Baumliér's work spans the full spectrum of interdisciplinary media, including performance, interactive installation, video and audio works. She received an Ohio Arts Council Fellowship in 2004, and an ArtsLink project grant in 2005. Baumliér has performed at the Mattress Factory, the Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art, the Headlands Center for the Arts, and at the Select Media Festival in Chicago, IL. Her videos have screened in New Zealand, Serbia, England, and in the U.S. In 2009, Baumlier began researching food, health, technology, and food systems and is currently developing new work that presents questions about food.

#### **FILMOGRAPHY**

#### VIDEO SCREENINGS/PRODUCTIONS

- 2011 Conservation (V.2), West Virginia Mountaineer Short Film Festival, Morgantown, WV. (work created with Amanda Almon.)

  Conservation (V.2), Sheffield Green Fair, Sheffield, South Yorkshire, England, Great Britain.
- 2008 Conservation!!, Athens International Film & Video Festival, Athens, OH. (work created with Amanda Almon.)

  Conservation!!, The Emporer's New Shorts, Ladywell, England.
  - Deplete Me, Magmart- Video Under Volcano, Naples, Italy. (work created with Amanda Almon.)
- 2007 Deplete Me, Visual Connections: A History of the Moving Image, The Human Fund Benefit Event, Cleveland, OH.
  - Deplete me, National Solar Conference 2007, American Solar Energy Society, Cleveland, OH.
- 2007 Deplete me, Sustainability Festival, Ohio University, Athens, OH.
- 2005 Antenna, Selections from the Festival for Art on Film, Subtropics Experimental Art Festival, Miami, FL.
  - Antenna, Tollbooth Gallery in Association with Artrod Gallery, Takoma, WA.
  - Antenna, Festival for Art on Film, University of Akron, Akron, OH.
  - Antenna, Fleet FM Drive-In, Auckland, New Zealand.
- 2004 Antenna, 8th International Video Festival VIDEOMEDEJA, The Museum of Voivodina, Novi Sad, Serbia and Montenegro, Serbia.
- 2004 Antenna, Official Feature, Wigged.net.
- 1999 Buns of Butter, Hometown Video Festival, Alliance for Community Media, Washington D.C.
  - Tuning in on Television, Free Speech Television and Satellite Broadcast, FSTV, Colorado.
- 1997 Buns of Butter Highlights, W.E. Festival, Wilmington, NC.
  Buns of Butter Highlights, Move Film and Video Festival, New York, NY.

# **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

2011	Best Energy Theme Award, West Virginia Mountaineer Short Film Festival Morgantown, WV.
	Digital Campus Academy Grant, Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH.
2009-03 2007	Flowers Technology Grant, Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH. Appalshop Event Community Grant, Appalshop, Whitesburg, KY. Performance Arts Network New Project Grant, New Orleans, LA.
2006	Ingenuity Festival Project Grant, Ingenuity Festival, Cleveland, OH.
	Ohio Arts Council Project Grant, Ohio Arts Council, Columbus OH.
2005	CEC ArtsLink Project Grant, CEC ArtsLink, New York, NY.
2004	Ohio Arts Council Individual Artist Fellowship, Interdisciplinary and Performance, Ohio Arts Council, Columbus OH.
2003	DAAD Grant, German Academic Exchange Grant, Fachhochschule Schwaebisch Hall, Schwaebisch Hall, Germany.