

## My Name is Pochsy: An Industrial Film

Directed by: Karen Hines  
submitted by **Karen Hines**

### Foreign Titles

ENGLISH      My Name is Pochsy: An Industrial Film

### 3-Line Synopsis

Pochsy works at Mercury Packers ... where she packs mercury. All alone on a stark but spectacular northern industrial landscape, Pochsy muses about life, taxes and the future of the human soul. A satirical, subversive ode to the industrial film genre.

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None provided by applicant.

### Programming Descriptors

FORMS: Narrative Fiction, Short  
GENRES: Alternative, Comedy, Drama, Underground, Horror, Nature, Cult, Magical Realism, Post Modern, Surreal, Environmental, Mockumentary, Satire, Dramedy, Art, Spiritual  
NICHES:

### Exact Runtime

00 hr : 07 min : 00 sec

### Date of Completion

June 2007

### Country of Production / Filming

Canada / Canada

### SHOOTING FORMATS

8mm Super

### PREVIEW FORMATS

DVD Region0 NTSC

### EXHIBITION FORMATS

DVD Region0 NTSC  
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HDCAM NTSC  
DigiBeta NTSC  
BetaSP NTSC

### Exhibition Info

Print Frame Speed: 24 fps, Black & White, Stereo  
Film Sound: Dolby Digital  
Composite Print: No  
Aspect Ratios: 1.33 (4x3 VIDEO)

### Foreign Versions

This Project contains dialogue in English with no translations available.

### Distribution

The project has NO distribution yet.

### Screenings

» Athens International Film Festival, Athens, U S A, July 2008 , North America PREMIERE  
» Mountainfilm at Telluride, Telluride, U S A, May 2008  
» Hazelwolf Environmental Film Festival, Seattle, U S A, April 2008  
» Palm Beach International Film Festival, Palm Beach, U S A, April 2008

### Submission Contact

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### Art Department

None provided by applicant

» Atlanta International Film Festival, Atlanta, U S A, April 2008  
» Dawson International Short Film Festival, \*\*\* Lodestar Award: Best Film (International)\*\*\*, Dawson, Canada, March 2008  
» Female Eye Film Festival, \*\*\*Best Director Debut\*\*\*, Toronto, Canada, March 2008  
» Boston Underground Film Festival, \*\*\*Audience Choice Award: Best Short\*\*\*, Boston, U S A, March 2008  
» US Festival of Super 8 and Digital Video, \*\*\*Best Experimental Film (Tie)\*\*\*, Rutgers University, New Jersey, U S A, February 2008  
» Edmonton International Film Festival, \*\*\*Kodak Canada Award: Best Canadian Short\*\*\*, Edmonton, Canada, October 2007  
» Just For Laughs Comedy Festival, Montreal, Canada, September 2007

#### **125-Word Synopsis**

Pochsy works at Mercury Packers ... where she packs mercury. This is Pochsy's film: a mercury-addled meditation on life, death, karmic reckoning and the future of the human soul. Set against the stark, spectacular backdrop of northern Canada's industrial landscapes 'My Name is Pochsy' is a trans-genre ode to the industrial propaganda films from an era gone by. It is also a scathing satire for our times. Spouting affirmations culled from sources as disparate as the Dalai Lama, 'The Secret' and the Wal-Mart Mission Statement, Pochsy is a spokesgirl for a species on the brink. The comedy is black, the aim is dead serious. Audience Choice: Boston Underground, Best Film: Dawson International Short Film Festival, Best Canadian short: EIFF, Best Experimental: Rutgers U.

#### **125-Word Synopsis**

None provided by applicant.

#### **250-Word Synopsis**

Pochsy works at Mercury Packers ... where she packs mercury. Having missed some kind of mass evacuation, she is utterly alone on a ravaged industrial landscape. 'My Name is Pochsy' is Pochsy's fictional 'personal documentary': a mercury-addled girl's ode to life, death, karmic reckoning and the future of the human soul. Ostensibly directed by Pochsy, starring Pochsy, and shot by her on abandoned scraps of black-and-white super 8 film, 'My Name is Pochsy' is Pochsy's message in a bottle to a forgetful world; a subversively comedic ode to a century of industrial film propaganda, and a mindful attack on mindless progress. Set against the stark, spectacular backdrop of northern Canada's mining fields (abandoned factories, ravaged rivers and streams, troubled animals...) it pits gritty realism against magic realism. With affirmations culled from sources as disparate as the Dalai Lama, 'The Secret' and the Wal-Mart Mission Statement, 'My Name is Pochsy' is a scathing satire for our times. Poisoned, and poisonous, Pochsy is a spokesgirl for a human species on the brink. The comedy is black, the aim is dead serious. With a musical score featuring the darker side of Tony Award-winner Greg Morrison (The Drowsy Chaperone). Winner: Kodak Canada Award for Best Canadian Short, EIFF. Audience Choice Award: Boston Underground Film Festival. Lodestar Award, Best Film: Dawson International Short Film Festival. Best Experimental Film: Rutgers University Festival of Super 8 Film and Video. ('Pochsy' is pronounced 'Poxy' as in 'the pox,' and is an anagram for 'Psycho'.)

None provided by applicant.

#### **Specialized**

None provided by applicant.

#### **Post Production**

**Frank Laratta**

Sound Editor

#### **Jamie Francey**

Picture Editor

#### **Music**

**Greg Morrison**

Original Music/Composer

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#### **Academic**

None provided by applicant.

#### **Animation**

None provided by applicant.

#### **Insured Value Expressed In**

U.S. Dollar

10.00 DVD Video Submaster

15.00 DigiBeta Video Submaster

10.00 Mobile Video Submaster

15.00 HDCAM Video Submaster