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A FILM BY VERA VAN WOLFEREN



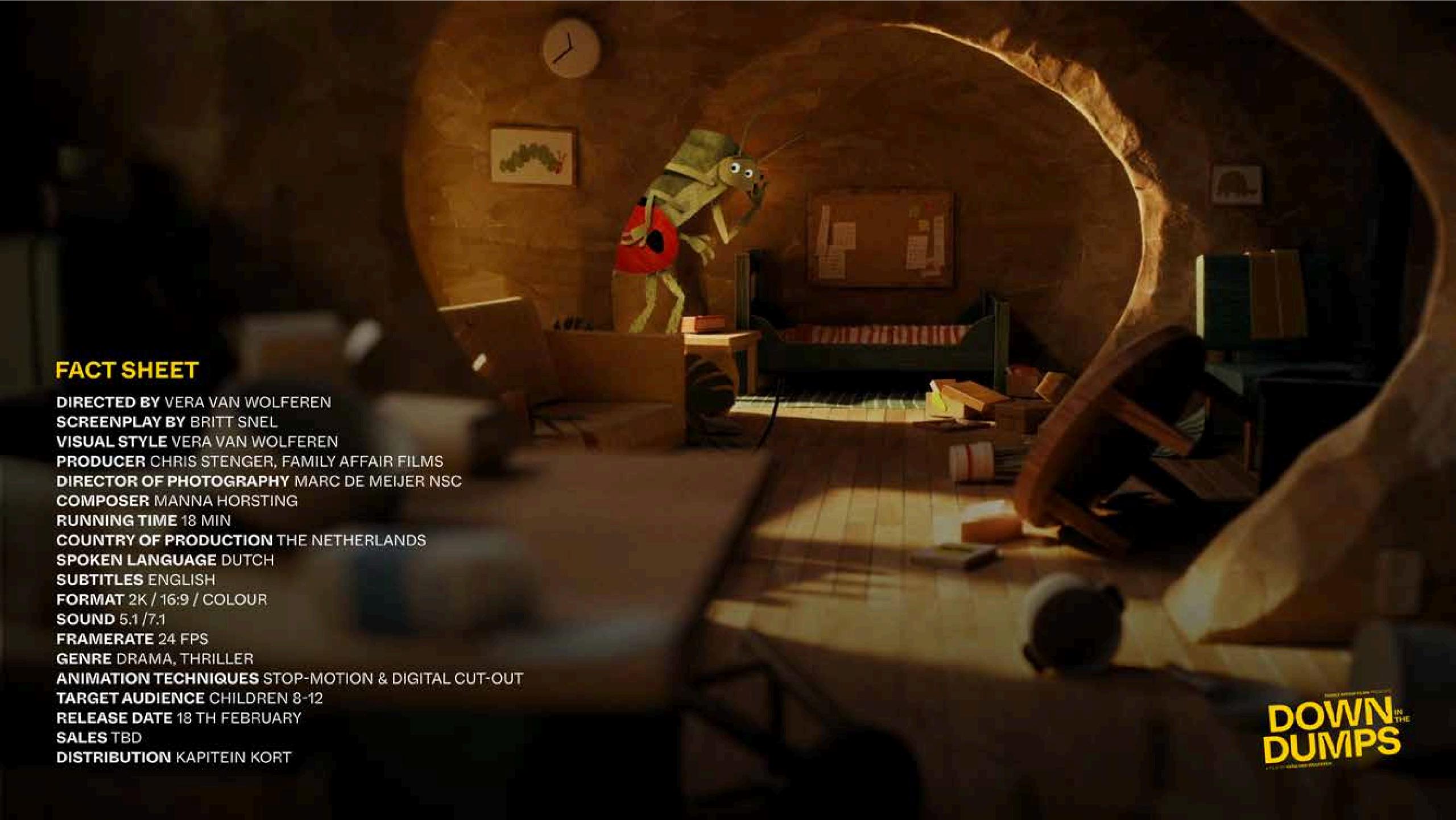
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### SYNOPSIS

CINELLI, A NEUROTIC AND PERFECTIONIST LADYBUG, IS METICULOUSLY PREPARING FOR HER UPCOMING BIRTHDAY PARTY. EVERYTHING MUST BE FLAWLESS—NOTHING LESS WILL DO! HER AWKWARD AND UNPOPULAR NEIGHBOR, PERI, A CLUMSY COCKROACH, ALSO WANTS TO COME TO HER BIRTHDAY PARTY. FEARING HE'LL RUIN THE PARTY, CINELLI DOESN'T INVITE HIM, WOUNDING PERI'S PRIDE. OUT OF SPITE, HE DECIDES TO STEAL CINELLI'S CHERISHED RED SHELL, HER SYMBOL OF PERFECTION.

THE NEXT DAY, WHEN CINELLI REALIZES HER PRECIOUS SHELL IS MISSING, SHE FALLS INTO A DEEP DEPRESSION. WITHOUT HER SHELL, WHAT'S THE POINT OF ANYTHING? SHE SINKS INTO A DARK TUNNEL, HER SUBCONSCIOUS MIND, WHERE SHE'S TAUNTED BY **OBIUS**, A SINISTER CENTIPEDE THAT EMBODIES HER SELF-DESTRUCTIVE TENDENCIES.

MEANWHILE, PERI BEGINS TO REALIZE THAT WEARING CINELLI'S PERFECT LIFE—AND HER RED SHELL—IS SUFFOCATING. UNDERSTANDING THE TOLL IT TAKES ON HER, HE DECIDES TO LOOK FOR CINELLI AND RETURN IT.



#### DIRIGHTE!

VERA VAN WOLFEREN IS AN ANIMATION DIRECTOR AND SET DESIGNER FROM THE NETHERLANDS. SHE CREATES INTRICATE AND METICULOUSLY CONSTRUCTED SCENES OUT OF PAPER, BRINGING TO LIFE MINIATURE MAGICAL WORLDS. VERA HAS MADE PAPERCRAFT SET DESIGNS, STOP MOTION ANIMATION AND WINDOW DISPLAYS FOR BRANDS LIKE HEINEKEN, FACEBOOK, BOSCH AND JO MALONE.

IN 2020 HER SHORT FILM TOURIST TRAP WAS RELEASED IN 30 DUTCH CINEMAS AS A SUPPORTING SHORT. SHE WAS SUPPORTED BY PLAYGROUNDS NEXT, THE TALENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OF PLAYGROUNDS FESTIVAL IN 2017. HER GRADUATION FILM HOW TO CATCH A BIRD WAS A VIMEO STAFF PICK AND SHE WAS NAMED IN ONE OF THE NEW-GENERATION ANIMATORS BY MONOCLE IN 2013.

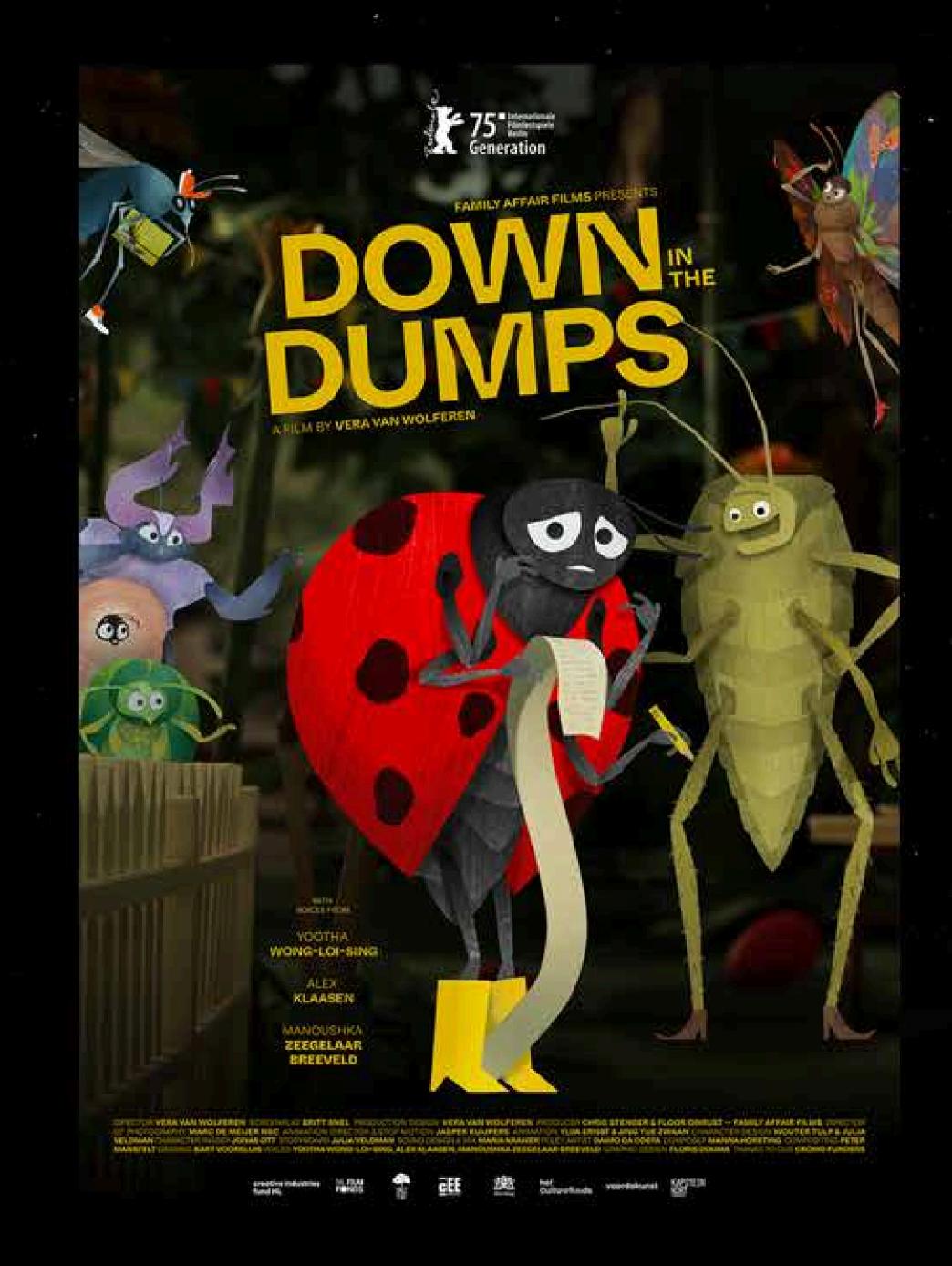


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