

PRESS KIT

Wax

A film by Alexandre Forgues

15'24 · 2026 · Canada · Body horror, Psychological horror

As final exams approach, a university student’s untreated ear infection worsens, triggering a disturbing descent into physical and psychological torment.

Snake Alley Festival of Film 2026 — Best Horror Short
Bay of Blood International Film Festival 2026 — Double Award Winner

SYNOPSIS

As her final exams approach, a perfectionist university student ignores an ear infection so she can keep working. But as her condition worsens and academic pressure becomes unbearable, her grip on reality starts to slip. Exhausted, and obsessed with the sensation that something is living inside her ear, she sinks into a spiral as organic as it is terrifying.

SPECIFICATIONS

Original title	Cire
Year	2026
Running time	15'24
Country	Canada
Language	French
Genre	Body horror, Psychological horror
Subtitles	English

DIRECTOR



Alexandre Forgues

Alexandre Forgues is a Franco-Ontarian filmmaker and screenwriter based in Ottawa, Canada. Trained in documentary filmmaking at L'INIS in Montreal and fiction filmmaking at Canadore College, he works across both French- and English-language productions. His work spans fiction, documentary, and television, including the award-winning short films Dirty Laundry and Porcelaine, as well as episodes of the second season of Petites bouches du monde for TFO.

His latest short film, WAX (CIRE) (2026), had its world premiere in competition at SXSW, as part of the festival's prestigious Midnight Shorts program.

CAST & CREW

Written by	Alexandre Forgues
Produced by	Hanna Donato, Alexandre Forgues
Interprètes	Victoria Michel, Laurence Gallant, Marie-Pier Chayer Demers
Director of photography	Antoine Simard Legault
Editor	Zachary Forgues
Special effects makeup	Marissa Clemence
Sound designer and mixer	Jordy Bell
Composer	Michel DeMars
Colorist	Chris Coote

FESTIVALS & AWARDS

Bay of Blood International Film Festival 2026 — Double Award Winner

Snake Alley Festival of Film 2026 — Best Horror Short

Brooklyn Horror Film Festival 2026

Court Métrange 2026 — International competition

Fanta Festival 2026

Fantasia International Film Festival 2026

FilmQuest 2026

Filmets - Badalona Film Festival 2026

Fogfest 2026

Frayeurs Phocéennes 2026

Mayhem Film Festival 2026

Milwaukee Film Festival 2026

Night Visions International Film Festival 2026 — European Premiere

Northwest FearFest 2026

Octopus Film Festival 2026

Popcorn Frights Film Festival 2026

Pumpkin Fantasy International Film Festival 2026

Ravenna Nightmare Film Fest 2026 — International Short Film Competition

SPASM 2026

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