DAY 5

The 3rd Niigata International Animation Film Festival Daily News

# |本文化"が創作の原動力

「ペーパーカット:インディー作家の僕の人生」エリック・パワー監督インタビュー Director interview: Eric Power: "Papercuts: My Life a an Indie Animator.



侍が主人公の初の長編「Path of Blood」は時代劇に影響されたと語るエリック・パワー監督 Eric Power, who directed his first feature film Path of Blood featuring a samurai protagonist, says it was influenced by Japanese period dramas.

## "Japanese culture drives creativity."

American director Eric Power has created his lifestory with stop-motion animation of paper cut-outs. He devoted two years working alone to complete the work. We asked him about the film and his thoughts on Japan.

DN(Daily News): Why did you created an autobiographical work?

EP: I felt the need to tell people how to survive as an artist. Especially now with the increase of AI in the animation industry, I thought that this is the time to show the world what I can do as an indy producer. Also for me, production is a healing process

DN: Tell us about the Japanese influence in your work.

EP: The Japanese influence is present throughout my work. I grew up watching Japanese anime such as Ghost in the Shell and Akira, and there were also a lot of brilliant historical dramas. It's Japanese culture that made me become a film-maker. I also use a lot of monologue which you find widely in Japanese works — to convey my point of

DN: I see that the main character takes a lot Kiki in Hayao Miyazaki's Kiki's Delivery Service.

EP: I read a lot of books about Havao Miyazaki and interviews with him, so I must be greatly influenced. I also admire the way director Makoto Shinkai shows the beauty of nature and the way time passes slowly. I'd like to make use of that in my next film.

DN: You were nominated for the competition stage in 2023 and now again. How does that make you feel?

EP: I'm absolutely delighted. It's quite a setback for an artist when their work doesn't get rated, so I was really pleased to be accepted here two years ago. Niigata is a beautiful place, and this time I'm here with my wife, so I am going to enjoy it.

DN: And do you have any message for your audience?

EP: I want to convey to young people the potential that filmmaking offers; and more than that, I want to encourage people to support independent producers. There are some great works waiting to be made if we can give the indies more support.

### ペーパーカット・インディー作家の僕の人生

Papercuts: My Life as an Indie Animator

米国/U.S./2024/87min/監督:エリック・パワー Director:Eric Power

芸術の世界での数々の試練と苦難に焦点を当てたアニメーションによ る回顧録。エリック・パワー監督の人生の浮き沈みを体験する世界に

Papercuts is an animated memoir focused on the many trials and tribulations of a life in the arts. Join director Eric Power on a journey through all the highs and lows of a life dedicated to the wonderful world of animation.

19日 10:00~11:27 T・ジョイ 19th 10:00AM~11:27 AM at T-JOY

# 原作に寄り添い、新たな映像表現も



### A new video expression, yet faithful to the original

### ルックバック Look Back

日本/Japan/2024/58min/監督:押山清高 Director:Kiyotaka Oshiyama

学生新聞で4コマ漫画を連載している小学4年生の藤野。クラスメートからは絶 賛を受けていたが、ある日、不登校の同級生・京本の4コマを載せたいと先生か ら告げられる…。胸を突き刺す、圧巻の青春物語が始まる。

The overly confident Fujino is an elementary student publishing 4-panel manga in a student publication. She receives high praise from her classmates until her teacher tells her that a shut-in student, Kyomoto, wants to try her hand at a 4-panel manga... A heart-wrenching and impactful story of growing up.

20日 13:00~13:58 新潟市民プラザ 20th 1:00PM~1:58PM at Niigata Citizen Plaza



押山清高監督

### 「ルックバック」 押山清高監督インタビュー Director interview Kiyotaka Oshiyama : "Look Back."

とが重要だと思った。 作の藤本タツキさんの世界に 秋田が舞台なので、気候が近い にメンバーで取り組めたので には消されるのだが、もったい 原作は読んでいたが、情景描 と思った」 思っていた。今回は、気心の知 58分の長さになった」 しさがこもっている。 画の線には、描き手の意思 人たちにも身近に感じても 賞最優秀ア

"Look Back" has won many domestic film awards, including the Best Animated Film at the Japan Academy Prize. We spoke with director Kiyotaka Oshiyama about the challenges of creating a new visual expression while staying close to the world of Tatsuki Fujimoto's original.

DN(Daily News): How did you feel when you were approached to make the film?

KO:I had read the original story, but because there are so many descriptive scenes in the book I did feel that the hurdle was quite high. I had to rely a lot on the music.

DN: This your first feature-length direction. What did you have to consider?

KO: I thought it was important to make it more understandable than the original. In order not to leave the audience behind, I tried to express the emotions of the characters with music and movement, instead of lines of script. I searched for expressions that are only possible because it was video.

DN: How did you so faithfully re-create the world of the original work?

KO: Fujimoto-san was inspired by the movie and used it in manga production, so the manga itself was like

a picture conte. We incorporated the original work into the film so as not to take away from it. The project started out as a short film, but ended up being 58 minutes long.

DN: So you retained the original manga line drawings?

KO: Yes. The original lines are very vivid and show the artist's intent. Normally one would erase them, but I thought that would be a waste. This time I was able to keep them, because I was working with a group of people I knew very well.

DN: I see that the actor Yumi Kawai has one of the main roles

KO: Yes, she has an unconventional voice, which I find has a real human quality. I thought it had to be

DN: What message would you like to give the audience?

KO: The film is set in Akita, but I think it will feel familiar to Niigata, which has a similar climate.

本日上映される作品の 中から3本を紹介する。

We are proud to present three of the films that will be screened today

#### 長編コンペ

ning of Feature Film Competition



#### かたつむりのメモワール

Memoir of a Snail ーストラリア/Australia/2024/94min/ 監督:アダム・エリオット Director: Adam Elliot

13:50~15:24 新潟市民プラザ 1:50PM~3:24PM Niigata Citizen Plaza

本年度アヌシー国際アニメーション映画祭クリ スタル賞(最高賞)受賞!アカデミー賞受賞経験 を持つアダム・エリオット監督が、初長編『メア リー&マックス』以来、1コマずつ丁寧に、8年 の月日をかけて完成させた傑作。

From Academy Award-winning writer-director Adam Elliot, Memoir of a Snail is a heartfelt, humorous tale of finding confidence.

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## 世界の潮流



<ロトスコープの現在> **Rotoscoping Today** 

ロック・ボトム **Rock Bottom** 

スペイン・ポーランド/Spain,Poland/2024/86min/ 監督:マリア・トレノル Director:MARIA TRENOR

10:00~11:26 新潟市民プラザ 10:00AM~11:26AM at Niigata Citizen Plaza

ロバート・ワイアットのアルバム「ロック・ボトム」にインスパイアされた本作は、1970年代初頭のヒッピー文化を描きだす。音楽とドラッグに共振するようなロトスコープの動き

が見どころ。 Inspired by Robert Wyatt's album Rock Bottom, this work depicts the hippie culture at the start of the 1970s. The rotoscope movement captures the twin influences of music and drugs.

## レトロスペクティブ

Retrospective



妄想代理人 PARANOIA AGENT

日本/Japan/2004/325min(各話合計Total)/監督:今敏 Director: Satoshi Kon

①10:00~12:55(25分×7話) ②13:20~16:40(25分×7話)シネ・ウインド

1)10:00AM~12:55PM(25minx7episodes ②1:20PM~4:40PM(25min×7episodes) at CineWind

デザイナー・月子を何者かが襲撃した!猪狩と馬庭の二人の刑事は、月子から聞いた犯人像を手がかりに捜査を開始するが、次第に猪狩は、曖昧な供 述を重ねる月子の自作自演ではと疑いはじめる。

Tsukiko is a designer.someone attacked her on her way home! Detectives Inokari and Maniwa begin an investigation into the crime, But Inokari gradually begins to suspect that Tsukiko is making up her own story as she gives vague statements.

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コンペ作品星取表 Star Chart of Competition Entries	月刊誌『アニメージュ』ライター 鈴木長月 Writer for the monthly magazine "Animage" Chogetsu Suzuki	前東京国際映画祭ディレクター 矢田部吉彦 Festival Programmer Yoshi Yatabe	ジャーナリスト <b>マット・シュライ</b> Press Matt SCHLEY	法政大学准教授 スティービー・スアン Associate Professor at Hosei University STEVIE SUAN
ボサノヴァ〜撃たれたピアニスト They Shot the Piano Player	***	***	***	****
コメント Comment	歴史の暗部を軽快な音楽との対比で描くアイデアに脱帽。アニメがもつ懐の深さを再確認。 Showing the dark side of history played against a smooth and catchy dance beat is a brilliant idea, and reaffirms the power of anime.	極上のボサノバ音楽と南米の歴史の闇が 交差するノンフィクションの構成がスリリング。 A non-fiction, thrilling composition that combines the best bossa nova music with the darkness of South American history.	テーマは興味深いがくどいアニメーション がちょっと残念だった。南米ジャズについて 色々を学んだ。 An interesting story hampered by sluggish animation. I did learn a lot about South American jazz.	鮮やかな色彩と音楽が彩る、悲劇の音楽家への賛歌。  Vivacious colors and linework in this musically rich tribute to a brilliant artist tragically killed.
クラリスの夢 Clarice's Dream	****	***	***	****
コメント Comment	表現手法はシンプルなのに驚くほど表情豊か。背中が切ないダディの優しさにグッとくる。 The expression method is simple but surprisingly effective. The sad and kind father in the background is poignant.	孤独と悲しみを抱える少女の心象風景を見事に表現するイメージの数々に強く惹かれる。 Very moving story with a sadly brilliant portrayal of a little girl's loneliness and sadness.	夢のシークエンスは楽しいが、映画の大部分はその魅力に欠ける。 The dream sequences are fun, but the majority of the film lacks their charm.	悲しみと癒しを幻想的に描く心温まる物語。 A charming, whimsical tale of falling apart and healing through the power of fantasy.
リビング・ラージ Living Large	****	***	***	***
コメント Comment	二度は味わえない"あの頃"の喜怒哀楽がぜん ぶ詰まった傑作。心象風景の描写もかわいい。 A masterpiece full of all the joys and sorrows of those times back in the day, and a cute look inside the mind of a dude.	ダイエットとロックと恋愛を生きる主人公の 魅力が素晴らしく、最高にフィールグッド。 A happy-go-lucky dude on a diet of rock and love. A supremely feel-good movie.	全体的に少し型通りだが、主人公が無力な被害者ではなく、ユーモアでいじめっ子に反撃しているのがいい。 A bit formulaic, but it's nice that Ben isn't just a helpless victim, but uses humor to fight back against bullies.	躍動的な音楽と巧みな編集で、体重問題 について込められた物語。 Vibrant songs and polished editing enhance this heartfelt story on weight struggles.

## 構想10年、アニメ監督としての集大成「口蹄疫から生きのびた豚」ホ・ボムウク監督インタビュー

作品への答えを私が 映画祭以外にも韓国の監督が訪 ニメを学ぶ若者と触れ合う機 制作スタジオもあるー

の状況や設定

的な光景だった。その際、もし一匹の

レトロスペクティブ部門の今敏監督作「PERFECT BLUE」に 感銘を受けたというホ・ボムウク監督 Director Bum—Wook Hur, who was deeply impressed by Satoshi Kon's film PERFECT BLUE in the Retrospective section

口蹄疫から生きのびた豚 PIG THAT SURVIVED FOOT -AND-MOUTH DISEASE

韓国/Korea/2024/105min/監督:ホ・ボムウク Director:BUM-WOOK HUR

口蹄疫を気力だけで生き延びた『ピッグH』は、自分に誓う。ゴミのように死ぬわけには そのためには人間になるしかないと。

Having survived foot-and-mouth disease only on will power, 'Pig H' swears to himself: He has to become human in order not to die as trash. He knows that's the only way.

19日 12:00~13:43 T・ジョイ 19th 12:00PM~1:43PM at T-JOY

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# A Masterwork Ten Years in the Making.

Director interview Bum-Wook Hur: "Pig that survived foot-and-mouth disease."

The second feature-length film by Korean director Bum-Wook Hur, is the culmination of ten years of planning from concept to completion. We spoke to him about his considerable

DN(Daily News): Tell us about your experience in producing this work.

BWH: There was an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Korea from 2013-14, and I saw videos of pigs being buried alive on YouTube. It was really shocking. When I saw that, I wondered what if just one of these pigs survived and could tell its story

DN: So the main characters are a pig that wants to be human, and a human who wants to

BWH: Each exists as a paradox to the other. The film asks the question of what it means

DN: What you have to consider in making the film?

BWH: The audience has to understand the situation of the characters, so all of the

DN: Your work, including this one, you address contemporary social issues and problems?

BWH: I don't think you can make a good work if you don't reflect social realities. I think that this animation is the end of my first phase. In the second phase, I want to use manga and live action in a new genre to address family problems. With my personality, I don't think it will be a thought and

think it will be a cheerful work. DN: Niigata is only about two and a half hours from Korea. How can we make use of his proximity?

BWH: I hope there will be more opportunities for Korean directors to visit Niigata, and not just for the festival, and to and meet with young people who are learning about animation. I know there are some good studios in Niigata, so there could be more collaboration here. However, Niigata's animation culture is not well known in Korea, so we

need to promote it. DN: And what would be your message to the audience?

# にいがた映画祭めしゅ

(Recommended food and shop)

会場マップ|MAP 古町ルフル広場 ゆいぽーと アニメ・マンガ学部 Kaishi Professional NEXT21 新潟市民プラザ 佐渡汽船 操件通 新潟市役所 萬代橋 至新潟空港 Bandai Bridge 白山神社 新潟日報メディアシップ ● 日報ホール 新潟県民会館 o Media Ship 万代シテ Bandai City T・ジョイ 新潟万代 T-JOY Niigata Bandai シネ・ウインド 東 万代口 Bandai Exit 前回の「映画祭めし+」が、 JR新潟駅 Niigata Sta. アーカイブページから見られます 南口 South Exit ous articles can be viewed the archive page.

### 老舗のバーでゆったりとした時間を楽しむ

ジンロック Bar Gin Rock

マスターの小柳さんと お通しのプレート(手前右) Master Oyanagi and the plate of appetizers (front right) 1958年創業、ことし1958年間になる老舗バー。歓楽街・古町の浮沈を見つめてきた。ログハウス風の外観。木の扉を開けると11席のカウンターのみの落ち着いたで見つめてきりき継いだ2代目マスター・小柳さんとの会話を楽しみながら、ゆったりとした時間を楽しんではいかが。ショットは600円。お客の平均予算は300円。お客の平均予算は300円でほど。

Founded in 1958, this long-established bar is now in its 68th year. It has witnessed the ups and downs of Furumachi, the entertainment district. The exterior of the bar looks like a log house. When you open the wooden door, you will find yourself in a calm space with only an 11-seat counter. Numerous graffiti on the brick walls tell its history. Enjoy a relaxing time while chatting with the second generation master, Mr. Oyanagi, who took over the restaurant from his mother-in-law more than 40 years ago. Shots start at 600 yen, and there is a charge of 1,000 yen for a few appetizers. The average customer's budget is about 3,000 yen.

新潟市中央区西堀前通8番町1527 電話 025-223-0048 営業時間18:00~0:00 (土曜・祝日は17:00から)/日曜定休

Address: 1527 Nishiborimae-dori 8-bancho, Chuo-ku, Niigata City Tel. 025-223-0048 Hours: 6:00PM - 0:00AM (Saturdays and holidays from 5:00PM) / Closed on Sundays

BWH: I can't tell the audience how they should react to my film. I think they can reach their own conclusions, but I hope they can find humanity.

# What's NIIGATA

⑤アニメ・マンガのまちづくり

**⑤** Building an anime and manga town.

マンガ・アニメをまちづくりに活かそうと様々な取り組みを行なってきました。新たな才能を発掘する「にいがたマンガ大賞」や、 「マンガ・アニメ情報館」「新潟市マンガの家」などを通じて発信

してきました。 映画祭初日に開かれた「アニメ産業と地方の役割」をテーマに 映画宗初日に開かれた「アニア産業と地方の技部」をアーマにしたフォーラムにおいて、新潟市内の大学から「新潟アニメ・マンガバレー構想」が発表されました。この映画祭がハブとなり、産官学が一体となって、アニメ・マンガを産業・観光・雇用創出施策に生かそうというものです。新潟にある素晴らしい素材を、立場の違う人たちが一緒に磨き合う。そんな街になったらステキですね。

Even before the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry embarked on its Cool Japan strategy, Niigata City had been making various efforts to weave manga and anime into the fabric of its development. The city has been promoting the "Niigata Manga Award" to discover new talents, the "Manga/Anime Information Center" and the "Niigata City Manga House". At a forum with the theme of "The Role of the Anime Industry in Regional Development" held on the first day of the film festival, the "Niigata Anime Manga Valley Concept" was announced by Niigata university. In it, this film festival will become a hub, and industry, government and academia will come together to make use of anime and manga in industrial, tourism, and job creation measures. It will involve a lot of people from different walks of life working together, each bringing something new to create something even more special. The outlook is good for Niigata.

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