



giffed

A new film from the Writer/Director of
award winning **MISSING PIECES**

giffed is a dramatic thriller in the vein of
Edward Scissorhands, *Punch-Drunk Love*, and *The Lookout*

Status: In Development, Seeking Finance

Gifted

Oliver Fisher, an autistic introvert, has a gift for art but needs help from an eccentric benefactor to reach his potential. His life spins out of control as he becomes the unsuspecting lynchpin of an elaborate hoax.

SYNOPSIS:

Oliver, a fragile but talented man with learning disabilities, lives at home with his distant father and cruel mother. Both parents mock his dream of becoming an artist and threaten sending him to live in a group home.

As family problems mount, the reality of achieving artistic success dwindles. That is until he meets Sydney Todd, an eccentric art dealer full of compliments and promises.

As Sydney takes him under her wing and shows him the world, Oliver falls head over heels in love. This is everything he's ever wanted, and he couldn't be happier.

The tide turns as we find Sydney's empty promises too good to be true. She's no art dealer, and she's not in love. She's a con artist, and Oliver's the mark.

Sydney and her ruthless boyfriend Jason get wind of Oliver's rich parents and use sweet Oliver as a disposable pawn in an elaborate hoax. Oliver must find a way to escape the destructive clutches of everyone around him and figure out who he really is before it's too late.

The story combines the twists and turns of a crime thriller with the emotional resonance and tenderness of a warm drama.

CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES:

Contraction Entertainment is Kenton's Bartlett's American motion picture production company. It was created by a team of highly committed, talented individuals for the specific purpose of developing, producing and distributing high quality feature films.

Buzz Productions is the film production arm of Estelle Buzzard's Australian publicity company, Buzz Corporate Communications. Buzz was instrumental in the international success of several award winning Australian films, transforming first time directors into 'people to watch'.

USA / Australia
Development, Seeking Finance
Completion 2016
Feature length thriller
Budget: \$US 2m
Rating: R, MA 15+

CAST SUGGESTIONS:

Principal:

Andrew Garfield
Ben Whishaw
Joseph Gordon-Levitt
Anton Yelchin

Supporting:

Rooney Mara
Rebecca Hall
Carey Mulligan
Brittany Snow
Natalie Portman
Jennifer Lawrence
Sam Rockwell
Ryan Gosling
Mark Ruffalo

Confirmed:

Mark Boone Jr.

CREW:

Director/Writer: Kenton Bartlett
Producer: Estelle Buzzard
Cinematography: Jonathan Arturo
Composer: Richey Rynkowski
Orchestrator: Matt Dunkley
Editor: Greg Whitlow
Consultants: Tait Brady & Justin McArdle

DIRECTOR'S ACHIEVEMENTS:

Kenton Bartlett's debut feature film MISSING PIECES won numerous awards on the international film festival circuit.

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