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2015

DETAINED

WHERE DREAMS END

A DOCUMENTARY FROM WITHIN A SWEDISH IMMIGRATION DETENTION CENTRE
BY **SHAON CHAKRABORTY** AND **ANNA PERSSON**

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PRESS KIT DETAINED

LOGLINE

An award-winning observation from within a Swedish immigration detention centre for rejected asylum seekers.

SYNOPSIS

Detained is an absorbing observation from within a Swedish immigration detention centre for rejected asylum seekers. The film follows detainees and staff over the course of a summer. A mother separated from her children faces deportation, a young man waits for his life to begin, and staff members struggle with the impersonal bureaucracy required of their job.

With great sensibility to its characters and environment, *Detained* depicts the silent psychological horror faced by those held in modern detention centres and questions this crucial, global phenomenon.

AWARDS ,NOMINATIONS, FESTIVALS IN SELECTION

Winner Guldbagge, Best Documentary, Swedish Academy Awards 2016

Winner Victor-Award, Best Feature shot in the Stockholm region 2015

Winner Kurt Linder Memorial Grant, 2016

Nominated, FIPRESCI Award, Documentarist, Istanbul 2016

Official selection One World HRIFF, Prague 2016

Winner, DN Culture Award, Film Category 2016

Nominated, Tempo Documentary Award 2015

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FILM STILLS AND TRAILER

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FILM STILLS: <http://www.forvaret.se/in-english/>

WEBSITE: www.forvaret.se/in-english/

FACEBOOK: Detained

DIRECTORS

SHAON CHAKRABORTY

Shaon Chakraborty, born in Bangladesh 1982, is a filmmaker with her background in fine arts and photography. *Detained* is her first documentary film, to which she also contributes as a still photographer. Chakraborty graduated from prestigious Nordic School of Photography in February 2010. Since then she has been working as a freelance photo journalist and photographer for newspapers and magazines. Her work has been published in the art book "This Must be the Place" 2010, and shown in several exhibitions in Sweden and abroad such as Trikåfabriken, Allmänna galleriet, Galleri Kontrast, Planket, The Photo Museum in Sundsvall and Centro Cultural Recoleta in Buenos Aires. Parallel to the work with *Detained*, Chakraborty is working on a longer photography project in Bangladesh concerning the experience of rediscovering the past.

Filmography

Detained, doc 99 min, 2015, Winner "Guldbagge" for Best Documentary at the Swedish Academy Awards 2015

ANNA PERSSON

Anna Persson, born in 1981 in Sweden, graduated from the Documentary Directing programme at Stockholm Academy of Dramatic Arts in June 2011 following studies in Political Science, Gender studies, Photography and Feature Journalism. During her film studies she directed short and mid-length documentaries portraying people in different roles and situations in the European migration system. With her degree film, *The Case Officer*, she gained access to the Swedish Migration Board and told the story of a young case officer grappling with whether or not to send an asylum seeking family back to Bosnia. *Detained* is Persson's feature debut, which further establishes her as a director providing new perspectives on one of the most burning human issue of today. She has also co-directed the documentary *I am Dublin* for the Swedish production company Story AB which won Best Swedish Documentary at Tempo Documentary Festival 2015.

Filmography

Circulo Vicioso, doc, 28 min, with Brigitta Kontros (Best Short Documentary, Tempofestivalen), 2008

Buscarse la vida, doc, 28 min, 2010

The Case Officer, doc, 52 min, 2011

Detained, doc 99 min, 2015, Winner "Guldbagge" for Best Documentary at the Swedish Academy Awards 2015

I am Dublin, doc, with David Aronowitsch, Ahmed Abdullahi and Sharmarke Binyusuf, 90 min 2015

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ANNA WEITZ

Anna Weitz is a documentary film producer and member of RåFILM Filmmakers collective. Before *Detained* she produced several mid-length documentaries including *Can't Do It in Europe* which was selected to MoMA's Documentary Fortnight and *Once Upon a Hill* that

won Best Documentary at Taiwan International Children's Film Festival. She is an EAVE graduate and has participated in Britdocs Impact Producers Lab. Besides her work for RåFILM Anna produces for Mantaray Film and she was associate producer of the Cannes Awarded documentary Ingrid Bergman In her Own Words (Stig Björkman, Mantaray Film 2015). She is also a founding filmmaker of Noncitizen, a project that challenges the idea of borders and citizenship.

RåFILM is a Swedish-based collective of filmmakers that connect film and activism.

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