

ROOFTOP FILMS PRESENTS:

FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2005: AT AUTOMOTIVE HIGH SCHOOL

this is what we mean by HOME MOVIES

Since our inception, Rooftop Films has called for films that “show us where you live and how you live,” and our home movies program has become the centerpiece of that ethos. These unmediated scraps of cinema can be heartbreaking or hilarious, but they’re sure to be deeply personal and endlessly fascinating.

TOTAL PROGRAM: 8 FILMS, 1:43:00:

BAD HAIR DAY

by MESOO LEE (7:20)

The director of Rooftop favorites Anxiety, Procrastination, Home Movie, A Good Philosophy and Pop Song 1, travels with his parents (and his video camera) back to their native Korea, where his father, wearing hair rollers and a pink perm cap, beseeches his son to get a haircut.



RIDE OF THE MERGANSERS

by STEVE FURMAN (11:00)

The Hooded Merganser is a rare and reclusive duck found only in North America. Every spring, in the Great Lakes region, the wary hen lays and incubates her eggs in a nest high in the trees. Just 24 hours after hatching, the tiny ducklings must make the perilous leap to the ground below to begin life in the wild. This age-old rite is rarely observed by humans. But now,

thanks to the determination of a visionary first-time filmmaker, this hidden drama is brought to the screen.



MAX BY CHANCE

by MAX KESTNER (28:00)

Danish Director Max Kestner tells the story of himself, playfully animated within the realms of documentary. Max’s story traces back several generations of his family to sailors, industrialists and Summer of Love hippies—everyone depicted with whole-hearted love and equal amounts of irony. But there is more at stake here than the biographical filmic note of a single man. The film embraces with vulnerable playfulness life’s many coincidences and grapples with questions such as genetics, destiny and family patterns of behavior.



PLUS:

HAPPY ENDING (CHRIS IRRIZARRY, 11:00)

courtesy of The Lab Sponsored by HBO

MAD COWS VS. CRAZY EYES DOLPHIN (IAN STEWART, 5:40)

SMALL TOWN SECRETS (KATHERINE LEGGETT, 9:00)

MILES ABOVE (MICHAEL WELT, 25:00)

9/20/04 (BRANDON WALLEY, 6:00)