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Subject: NW Premier of Antero Alli's "The Invisible Forest"

Vertical Pool Productions and DIVA present the Northwest premiere of "The Invisible Forest", a new feature film by Antero Alli at 8pm on June 5th. Admission: \$5. Director Antero Alli will host the screening of this premier.

"The Invisible Forest" tells the story of a theatre troupe camping out in a forest to perform their director's vision of French Surrealist Antonin Artaud's magic theatre of ghosts, gods and spirits. During their forest experiment Alex, the director, is haunted by disturbing dreams where Artaud appears and mocks his theatrical ambitions. When these strange nightmares persist, Alex stops sleeping in an attempt to regain control over his mind. Sleep-deprived and with his sanity pushed to its limits, he seeks help from a Psychotherapist who suggests hypnosis as a means to discover the source of his problems. What follows is a hypnagogic journey through the internal landscape of Alex's subconscious memories and dreams to a place beyond belief, beyond words, and beyond the mind itself.

Antero Alli is a Finnish born, Berkeley-based underground filmmaker whose deep background in experimental theatre infuses his films with a quirky dramatic sensibility all their own.

Alli's films are not in theatrical release and public screenings are always rare events. His films have exhibited at Pacific Film Archive (Berkeley), Portland Art Museum, UC Irvine Film Department., Red Vic Movie House (S.F.), The Mills College Concert Hall (Oakland), Northwest Film Forum (Seattle), Hollywood Theatre (Portland) and other art houses.

Antero is the director of ParaTheatrical ReSearch, and an author of numerous books. He resides with his wife, the composer and singer Sylvi Alli, in Berkeley CA.

- Trailer: <http://www.verticalpool.com/if.html>
- Movie Site: <http://www.verticalpool.com/if.html>
- Filmography: <http://www.verticalpool.com/filmography.html>
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