

David B. Sharp Debuts *Sveener and The Shmiel* at ReelHeART 2009!

Micro-budget, 80-minute dramatic comedy feature film includes over 130 practical FX, miniature effects, and digital EFX shots

Los Angeles, CA – April 15, 2009 – Emmy Award-winning special visual effects artist, David B. Sharp (*Passion of the Christ, Mission Impossible II, Event Horizon, The Arrival, Flight of the Navigator*) debuts his feature film *Sveener and The Shmiel* at **ReelHeART International Film Festival (RHIF), June 22-27, 2009.**

This dark and quirky romantic drama/comedy, centers on actor/musician Aaron Sharp as “Sveener”, a chronically depressed young man who becomes disturbingly angry when his dim-witted younger brother, “The Shmiel”, played by actor Gavin Woodward falls in love, in this original and darkly funny film.

The film presents a fresh look at life and its meaning, which is – almost incidentally – delivered by the “family solicitor”, played by actor and renowned pop-entertainment sculptor and painter, Dave Pressler. *Sveener and The Shmiel* delivers a thought-provoking, startling, and often disturbing cinematic experience that remains true to its mission to entertain, with a smattering of comedic relief, just when you need it most.

The surprisingly high-budget-production value of this nano-budget film is due in part to the creative use of practical effects and miniatures by filmmaker David B. Sharp and his team, and the supervision of 130+ special visual effects by Richard Malzahn of Perpetual Motion Pictures (www.pmpfx.com). Malzahn is well-known and respected in the film industry for his body of work as Visual Effects Supervisor, most recently on *Knocked Up* and *Blades of Glory*.

An all-original musical soundtrack, the independent movie features the combined works of over 50 musicians and introduces several musical groups. The film also introduces five songs by **Saint Motel** www.myspace.com/saintmotel, a Southern California “indie” rock ‘n roll band.

Sveener and The Shmiel will play **Friday, June 26, 2009 at 8:00PM as part of the popular Venue Program** at Southern Accent Restaurant, 595 Markham Street, Toronto, ON, Canada M6G 2L7, 1 Block West from Bathurst Subway

Tickets are \$8 and include snacks and gourmet popcorn!

Advance Tickets on sale online April 27th at www.reelheart.com

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