

FIT

Producer: Stonewall, the national lesbian, gay, bisexual equality charity

Director/Script: Rikki Beadle-Blair

Company: Team Angelica; The Shorthouse Organisation

Cast: Rikki Beadle-Blair (Lori); Duncan MacInnes (Tegs); Jay Brown (Isaac); Ludvig Bonin (Jordan); Sasha Frost (Karmel); Lydia Toumazou (Lee); Stephen Hoo (Ryan) and others

Country: UK

Language: English

Subtitles: English

Running time: 106 min

Chapters: Dance and Drama, Lee, Karmel, Tegs, Jordan, Isaac, Ryan (15min each) + 5 video diaries for each character

Year: 2010 (UK)

Supported by: Department for Children, Schools and Families; NASUWT; Big Lottery Fund; Equality and Human Rights Commission Scotland; TSE Foundation; Britten-Pears Foundation; Arts Council England; Mayor of London; Scottish Government

Genre: Education; Drama

Screenings and Festivals: Curzon, London; London Lesbian & Gay Film Festival and nation-wide tour of the festival; Manchester; Liverpool; Brighton; Edinburgh; others to be announced throughout 2010.

About FIT: FIT is an intelligent, powerful and entertaining film that tackles the issue of homophobic bullying in a culture where everything from not liking sport to wearing the wrong trainers is “gay”. It has been developed as part of Stonewall’s Education for All campaign to help tackle homophobic bullying in Britain’s schools. The film has been especially created for **Key Stage 3 and 4** students, and specifically complements various learning objectives from the National Curriculum, particularly **PSHE, Citizenship, Performing Arts and English**. The DVD is divided into seven chapters, 15 minutes long each, and also includes six video diaries for each of the characters in which they reflect on specific issues throughout the film. The DVD is accompanied by a leaflet including lesson ideas and themes for each story. A copy of the DVD is being sent to every secondary school in Britain. FIT is the feature film adaptation of Stonewall’s highly successful play for schools aimed at tackling homophobic bullying, seen by more than 20,000 students around the country.

Synopsis: Excluded from other lessons, Karmel, Lee, Jordan, Isaac, Tegs and Ryan attend their college’s Dance and Drama class to get their much-needed credits to pass the year. Across six chapters, the film draws us into the lives of these six teenagers, their passions and their struggles with parents, teachers, peers and their own experiences of coming out, in an attempt to fit in, stand out, discover their own identities and accept each other.

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