

Zeezucht (Jonas and the Sea)

English logline:

Jonas has dreamed of living in the sea all his life. But it's not possible. Or is it?

English synopsis:

Jonas and the Sea is an animated short film about a man who casts aside everything in pursuit of his dream. A dream we all share: the quest to find a place we can call home, even if it's underwater.

Original title:	Zeezucht
English title:	Jonas and the Sea
direction:	Marlies van der Wel
executive production:	Roel Oude Nijhuis, Gijs Kerbosch, Gijs Determeijer (Halal)
production:	Marieke Konijn (Halal)
script:	Ruben Picavet, Marlies van der Wel
creator:	Marlies van der Wel
storyboard:	Marlies van der Wel
layout:	Marlies van der Wel
animation:	Marlies van der Wel
animation assistance:	Nadia Meezen, Joyce Stenneke
sound:	Shark HaaiFaaiDeLuxe
music:	Tim van Berkenstijn
length in minutes:	11'30" (25 fps), 12'00" (24 fps)
film format:	1920 x 1080 (16:9); 25 fps
sound:	2.0 Stereo LT/RT
release:	2015
version:	no dialogues
genre:	animation / short / drama
technique:	2D computer animation, cut-outs
first public screening:	September 2015
website:	http://jonasandthesea.com/ (http://zeezucht.com/)
teaser:	https://vimeo.com/139247915

Production:	Festival distribution:
Halal Productions	Ursula van den Heuvel, KLIK! Distribution Service
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Biography Marlies van der Wel

I am a Dutch animator and illustrator, working from my studio based in Amsterdam. Started in 2007, working on both commercial as personal projects, I am now fully dedicated on my own short animated movie Zeezucht.

Filmography

“BWAP” – graduation film, 5’09”, 2006

“Protest flatness” – short film for the protest obstacle series, 1’51”, 2011

“At what point are you a technical person” – animated item for wisebits, 0’48”, 2012

“A non with an eating disorder” – animated item for wisebits, 1’08”, 2012

“Social control” – animated item for wisebits, 1’04”, 2012

“In de Maneschijn” – animated music clip for Sesamestreet, 2014

“Ik zag 2 beren” – animated music clip for Sesamestreet, 2014

“Hoedje van papier” – animated music clip for Sesamestreet, 2014

Awards:

KLIK! NL Award for Craftmanship at KLIK! Amsterdam Animation Festival (Netherlands, October 2015)

Screenings:

Nederlands Film Festival (Netherlands, September 2015)

Cinekid (Netherlands, October 2015)

KLIK! Amsterdam Animation Festival (Netherlands, October 2015)

Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival (France, February 2016)

European Youth Film Festival Flanders (Belgium, February 2016)