

HOW MY NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOUR  
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## Gold Coast Filmmakers Discover Life On Mars

A young group of independent Gold Coast filmmaker are currently in production of a short film titled '*How My Next Door Neighbour Discovered Life On Mars.*' The film is due for release in early July.

The short film tells the tale of a small boy who dreams of discovering extraterrestrial life on mars and the next door neighbour that makes it happen.

The director Austin Andrews said that 'our story is a fable that asks "what if?", then dares to answer it with a conviction that belies its innocence.

We pledged very early on to act as servants to the story and its characters, keeping a very close eye on the impact that individual decisions would have on the overall piece.

Producer Trevor Smith said that 'this production has granted us the special opportunity to work with some very talented people that are well established within the Queensland film industry. People like the production designer Chrissie Hewitt, Matt Weston the director of photography and David Clendenning who acted in the short film.'

*'How My Next Door Neighbour Discovered Life On Mars* has been in production for quite some time, altogether production will span over seven months so as you can imagine we are all quite eager to see the final product!' Said producer Daniel Lake

'When the four of us each read the script for the first time, we loved it. It's a timeless story and one we felt we had to tell' said producer Alex Fewster.

**Photo opportunity:** Photography with the principal production crew can be arranged, however the examples of stock photographs captured during production are attached and freely available for use.

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## Fact Sheet

How My Next Door Neighbour Discovered Life On Mars is envisioned as a hybrid of live-action and traditional animation that immerses the audience in pure imagination, this short film takes an innovative approach to an enduring fable, reaching a triumphant conclusion that proves that dreams can – and do – come true.

Crew:

Trevor Smith	-	Producer
Daniel Lake	-	Producer
Alex Fewster	-	Producer
Austin Andrews	-	Director
Matt Clay	-	Writer
Matt Weston	-	Director Of Photography
Chrissie Hewitt	-	Production Designer

Cast:

Boy	-	Thomas Malios
Father	-	Chris Hillier
Next door neighbour	-	David Clendinning
Captain Oleander	-	Blair Thiel
TV Space Cadet	-	Nigel Mcmillan

Timeframes:

- Pre-production began in early December (approx four months)
- Production will begin on March 31<sup>st</sup> (four days)
- Post-production will begin early April (approx four months)
- The film will be released in July

General:

- The production is being funded by the principal crew and private investors
- The production is being shot on 16mm film
- The production will be approximately 6 minutes in length

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Example Of Stock Photography



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