## THE ROSE OF URAIDA

### ⇒LIFE WITHOUT LOVE OR LOVE WITHOUT LIFE ∽

#### ∽\$YNOPSIS∽

The Rose of Turaida is a tragedy based on a true story set in 17th century Latvia, and tells of an orphaned baby who was saved from death and named Maija Rose. Maija grew into a young and beautiful woman who was loved by all, but her beauty eventually attracted the attention of a foreign soldier who had devised a nefarious plan to capture Maija. Maija is then confronted by the most important choice she will ever make in her life.

#### PRODUCTION OVERVIEW

The Rose of Turaida utilises a truly unique technique combining a traditional sand animation style with millions of simulated, computer generated particles, all presented in a single shot. This fully self funded film was made over the course of nearly two years (six months of which were full time) by Ryan Grobins who produced all of the visual component solely by himself. Collaborating with Ryan again is the very talented Nicole Brady, who composed the soulful and moving soundtrack.



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#### ージRYAN GROBINS (WRITER / DIRECTOR / PRODUCER / ARTIST) 🖛



Spanning a 15 year career in the CG and animation industry across 6 countries, Ryan, a native of Australia, quickly fell in love with the areas of 3D lighting and compositing. Having risen to various lighting supervisory roles, he routinely oversees lighting departments in various productions.

Ryan's first film, Sneeze Me Away (released in 2010, www.sneezemeaway.com) marked his debut as a writer and director, and went on to screen in 30 festivals around the world, picking up a few awards along the way. He is currently hard at work on this third short animated film, Morrela (www.morrela. com), and in early preproduction of a feature length version of Sneeze Me Away. He currently lives in Australia with his wife and daughter.

Written, Directed and Animated by Ryan Grobins

> Narration by ASTRA KRONTTE

Music Composed by NICOLE BRADY

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Vocals and Percussion LAURA BISHOP

Conductor TRISTAN COELHO

Concertmaster PHILLIP HARTL Violin Askar Nurlanov Sylwia Kowalik Tom Dethlefs

David Wicks Jacqueline Cronin Jo Tobin

Cello Andrew Wilson Clair Kahn Davina Shum

Engineer Simon Todkill

Mixer Tristan Coelho Contractor Coralie Hartl

Music Recorded at SUDIO 301

Narration Recorded by TOM WATSON

Narration Recorded at CURRENT SOUND

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