

TITLE: HEAVY STONE, 56'

DIRECTOR: Davide Gambino

WRITER: Davide Gambino (script consultant Alessandro De Rita)

PRODUCER: Linda Di Dio

KEY CAST: Lorenzo Reina

OVERVIEW: In an archaic Sicilian landscape, between sheep and sculpture, suspended between dream and reality, a particular man lives and works. Mixing Art and Nature as if he would be an alchemist. The film is set in a surreal western atmosphere, telling the exceptional ideas and projects of the shepherd-artist, Lorenzo Reina. Being a shepherd, unable to walk away from his place, he was driven by his ideas to create and travel in his own universe.

Lorenzo Reina was one shepherd who always lived between sheep and cheese. When still young he realized that his path would have been another one. So he started to be interested in sculpture. His footage were roots, tree and stones around. But for sure his family was not happy about his decision. His father started worrying, so the conflict between them exploded, but Lorenzo didn't give up. Where he was passing with sheep, today there is a stone theater that looks at the sky lying on the hills. Where there were the donkeys, today there are big sculptures. At his father place, today there is a sculpture of his head, still observing the landscape.

BIOGRAPHY AND FILMOGRAPHY OF THE DIRECTOR: Graduated at the Centro Sperimentale di Cinematografia – National Film School in Italy, Davide Gambino has written and directed short movies, award winning documentaries and TV series in partnership with broadcasters, international home productions, foundations, museums and socio--cultural institutions. His projects -- mainly focused on historical--artistic issues -- deal with everlastingly significant and fundamental human questions as the preservation of nature and historic--cultural heritage. Davide Gambino has been selected in International Coproduction Market and worldwide film festivals, his docu--feature PIETRA PESANTE i.e. won the New York Film Academy Film Award 2013 as Best Italian Documentary. He was selected at the Berlin Documentary Campus 2016. To get an idea of Davide Gambino productions and projects please visit the website: www.davidegambino.net

Film documentary and TV series:

Del Museo di Palermo e del suo avvenire 12' col. HD PAL, 2016 ITALY Produced by Museo Salinas

Pietra Pesante 60' col. HD PAL, 2012 ITALY Produced by CSC / Sicily FilmCommission

Alberto Burri -- La vita nell'arte 45' col. HD PAL, 2011 ITALY Produced by CSC / Sicily Film Commission

Il bar del Cassarà 10 ep. x 10' col. HD CINEALTA PAL, 2015 ITALY Produced by RaiFiction / Alveare Cin.

Credo 12 ep. x 27' col. HD CINEALTA PAL 2013 ITALY Produced by TV 2000 / Run to me

Maredolce – La Favara 30' col. HD PAL, 2015 ITALY Produced by Fondazione Benetton Studi Ricerche

European Saxophone Ensemble -- The love train project 90' col. HD PAL, 2012 BELGIUM Produced by

MET--X with support of EU Commission Education Programma and Vlaamse Commissie

Short movies

Still Life 3' col. RED ONE CINEALTA PAL 2013 ITALY Produced by Ministry of Environment / Fondazione

Cinema per Roma

La via santa di Israele 15' col. HD PAL, 2011 ITALY Produced by CSC / Sicily Film Commission

L'arte del mostrare 10' col. HDV PAL, 2009 ITALY Produced by CSC / Sicily Film Commission

Tableau Vivant -- Un symposium orphique 10' b/n HDV PAL, 2008 SPAIN Produced by Studiodecine

Lo sguardo del principe 10' col. HD PAL, 2014 ITALY Produced by CSC / Sicily Film Commission

PALERMO, ITALY, 2013