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# HEAVY TRIP

JOHANNES HOLOPAINEN - MINKA KUUSTONEN - ANTTI HEIKKINEN - MAX OVASKA - SAMULI JASKIO - CHIKE DHANWE - VILLE TIJONEN - KAI LEHTINEN - MARTTI SYRJÄ  
DIRECTED BY JUKKA VIDGREN & JUUSO LAATIO. SCRIPT BY JUKKA VIDGREN, JUUSO LAATIO, ALEKSI PURANEN & JARI OLAVI RANTALA. CINEMATOGRAPHER HARRI RÄTY. PRODUCTION DESIGNER JUHA-MATTI TÖPPINEN  
COSTUME DESIGNER KAROLIINA KOISO-KANTTILA. MAKE UP DESIGN BY KATI KOSKELA. EDITING BY KIMMO TAAVILA. SOUND DESIGN BY PANU RIIKONEN. MUSIC BY LAURI POHRA. ORIGINAL SONGS BY MIKA LAMMASSAARI  
CO-PRODUCED BY ADRIAN POLITOWSKI & BASTIEN SIRODDT / UMEDIA, SVEIN ANDERSEN & KJETIL JENSBERG / FILMCAMP  
PRODUCED BY KAI NORDBERG & KAARLE AHO



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# SYNOPSIS

Turo (25) is stuck in a small village in Northern Finland. The only glimpses of light in his life are provided by the amateur metal band, Impaled Rektum, whose vocalist he is. He and his friends have played for 12 years without having a single gig.

The guys get a surprise visitor from Norway: the head of Northern Damnation, a huge metal festival. They decide that it's now or never. After a miserable warm-up gig Impaled Rektum breaks up just to get together again. They steal a van, a corpse and a coffin from the local cemetery, a new drummer from the local mental hospital and flee to Norway. As they are escaping Finnish police, they have to face the Norwegian Army and its notorious "Delta troppen" in order to get to play their first real gig.

# INFO SHEET

Film title -	Heavy Trip
Original title -	Hevi reissu
Directors -	Juuso Laatio & Jukka Vidgren
Producers -	Kaarle Aho & Kai Nordberg
Production company -	Making Movies Ltd, in co-production with: Filmcamp, Umedia & Mutant Koala Pictures
In association with -	Finnish Film Foundation, YLE, Filmcamp
Main cast -	Johannes Holopainen, Minka Kuustonen, Ville Tiihonen, Max Ovaska, Samuli Jaskio, Antti Heikkinen & Chike Ohanwe
Original language -	Finnish, Norwegian
English subtitles (Yes/No) -	Yes
Trailer link -	<a href="https://vimeo.com/254819408">https://vimeo.com/254819408</a>
Year -	2018
Country -	Finland, Norway & Belgium
Length -	90 min
Type -	Feature
Genre -	comedy, action, romance
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Exhibition format -	DCP
Sound -	5.1



# CAST

## **Johannes Holopainen (Turo Moilanen)**

Johannes Holopainen (born 1988) is a Finnish actor, who is most known for his role in film *The Unknown Soldier* (2017 dir by Aku Louhimies). Holopainen graduated from Uniarts Helsinki's Theatre Academy in 2013 and since then he has been acting in multiple theatre productions for example *Pasi Was Here*, *Kokki*, *Vaimo ja Rakastaja* at Kom-teatteri and in tv-series such as *Tellus*. During the spring of 2018 Holopainen will also be seen in feature film *East of Sweden* (dir by Simo Halinen).

## **Minka Kuustonen (Miia Kujanpää)**

Minka Kuustonen (born 1985) is one of the most well known actresses in Finland. She has been in more than 10 tv-series and played multiple main roles in feature films (*Wendy and the Refugee Neverland* 2017, *Gold-digger* 2016, *Summertime* 2014). Minka also has been working in Finnish national theatre and she has MA degree in acting.

## **Ville Tiihonen (Jouni Tulkku)**

Ville Tiihonen (born 1974) is a Finnish actor, who has played many versatile roles from comedy to crime. He's been in several tv-series and films (*Wendy and the Refugee Neverland* 2017, *Off The Map* 2016, *Vares - Tango of Darkness* 2012) and he is also a part of improvisation theater group called *Stella Polaris*.

# CREDITS

director of photography

production designer

costume designer

key make-up artist

line producer

edited by

sound designer

visual effects supervisor

music by

original songs by

co-producers, norway

executive Producers

written by

directed by

produced by

CAST

Turo Moilanen

Miia

Jouni Tulkku

Pasi / Xytrax

Lotvonen

Jynkky

Oula

Kujanpää

Frank Massegraav

Lotvonen's Dad

HARRI RÄTY

JUHA-MATTI TOPPINEN

KAROLIINA KOISO-KANTTILA

KATI KOSKELA

PILVI KUUSRAINEN

KIMMO TAAVILA

PANU RIIKONEN

TUOMO HINTIKKA

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MAX OVASKA

SAMULI JASKIO

ANTTI HEIKKINEN

CHIKE OHANWE

KAI LEHTINEN

RUNE TEMTE

MARTTI SYRJÄ





# PRODUCERS

## **Kai Nordberg**

Kai Nordberg was born 1968 in Helsinki. During 1989 – 1994 he worked as a foreign correspondent and photographer in Berlin. In 1989 he also started film, TV and journalism studies at Freie Universität in Berlin. He developed an ambition for cinema and started to direct and produce his own films. Nordberg is the CEO of the company Making Movies Ltd founded in 1996. Since the start of the company he has produced and directed over 100 films.

## **Kaarle Aho**

Kaarle Aho (b.1968, Helsinki – MA, University of Helsinki) has produced films and TV in Making Movies since 1998. The films produced by Kaarle Aho have won six Jussi-prizes (Finnish Oscars), a Venla-prize (the best TV-drama in Finland) and two Kettu-prizes (the best short film in Finland). He is a co-founder of Making Movies Ltd and in 2008 he was selected as the producer of the year in Finland together with his business partner Kai Nordberg.

Making Movies Oy (Ltd.) is a Finnish film production company based in Helsinki. Established in 1996 the company produces and co-produces fiction and documentary films for international market. The managers, founding members and shareholders of Making Movies are Kai Nordberg and Kaarle Aho.

Since 1996 Making Movies has produced 10 feature films and more than 70 documentary and short films and tv-dramas. The films produced by Making Movies have been distributed in more than 50 countries worldwide.

In spring 2015 Making Movies released Klaus Härö's feature film *The Fencer* (Finnish Oscar nominee for 2016). *The Fencer* was nominated for a Golden Globe in a Best Foreign Language Film category and it was Oscar shortlisted.

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# DIRECTORS

## **Jukka Vidgren**

Vidgren started his work as a commercial director in early 2000. Since then he has been working with music videos and short films. Notable short films have been Dr. Professor's Thesis of Evil which was selected for several international festivals and was part of the opening night at LA Short Fest. Heavy Trip is Vidgren's debut feature film.

## **Juuso Laatio**

Laatio has worked on commercials and music videos for almost fifteen years. He is known for creating visually stunning acclaimed artwork and visuals, in both video and photography. A lover of music, beautiful pictures and ridiculous comedies, he finally got to combine his passions in his debut feature film Heavy Trip.

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