CAREFUL WITH THAT AXE

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ESSENTIAL INFORMATION:
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ONE LINER:
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SYNOPSIS:
A young boy tries his hand at chopping firewood with his father’s razor sharp axe. He finds that the axe is incredibly heavy, so heavy that he balances himself by resting one bare foot on the chopping block…

FESTIVALS/AWARDS:
2008 11th Brussels Short Film Festival, Belgium
2008 10th MO & FRIESE Children’s Short Film Festival Hamburg, Germany
2008 62nd Edinburgh International Film Festival, UK
2008 16th IFF Artfilm Trenčianske Teplice /Trenčín, Slovakia
2008 Melbourne International Film Festival, Australia
2008 Just for Laughs Film Festival, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
2008 Rhode Island International Film Festival, USA
2008 Expresion en Corto Film Festival, Mexico
2008 19th Sao Paulo International Short Film Festival, Brazil
2008 28th Louis Vuitton Hawaii International Film Festival, Hawaii, USA
2008 St Tropez Antipodes Film Festival, France
2008 53rd Valladolid International Film Festival, Spain
2008 Golden Spike - 53rd Valladolid International Film Festival, Spain
2008 AFI Fest, USA
2008 24th Interfilm Short Film Festival Berlin, Germany
2008 Special Mention - 24th Interfilm Short Film Festival Berlin, Germany
2008 FIPA International Festival of Audiovisual Programs, France
2008 Rio de Janeiro International Shorts Film Festival, Brazil
2008 Regensburg Short Film Week, Germany
2008 Short Cuts Cologne, Germany
2009 New York International Children’s Film Festival, USA
2009 Flickerfest, Australia
2009 Leeds Young People’s Film Festival, UK
2009 Magma Short Film Festival, NZ
2009 Shorts Attack!, Berlin
2009 Mountainfilm in Telluride, USA
2009 Newport International Film Festival - Childrens Section, USA
2009 Short Shorts Asia, Japan
2009 Palm Springs Shortsfest, USA
2009 Filmets Barcelona, Spain
2009 Odense Internationale Film Festival, Denmark
2009 Best of Short Films Ciotat, France
2009 Rencontres Cinématographiques de Vence, France
2009 Istanbul International Short Film Festival, Turkey
2010 Cleveland International Film Festival, USA
2010 Aspen Shortsfest, USA
2010 Images That Matter- International Short Film Festival, Ethiopia
2011 FIFO, Tahiti
2011 Boulder International Film Festival, USA
2011 Cheyenne Film Festival, USA
2011 CFC Worldwide Film Festival, Canada
DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT:
“Careful with that Axe” is inspired by a song written by Pink Floyd. I listened to the song one day on my iPod and the idea for this film just kinda fell into my head. Most of my film concepts are either comedy or horror, this idea seemed to serve both these ideals so I drew up a series of storyboards and got into production. I hope the audience has a fun time… and screams a little.

Jason originally started in the film industry as an editor. He has directed many short films and directed the feature film “Tongan Ninja” – co-written and starring Jemaine Clement from HBO’s “Flight of the Conchords”. Jason’s next feature film, also a comedy horror, is currently in post production.

FILMOGRAPHY:
1999  Fizz (Short Film)
2002  Tongan Ninja (Feature Film)
(Jason was Writer/Director/Producer for both films)