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# CAREFUL WITH THAT AXE



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**A boy, a farm, bare feet, an axe...**

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**N E W   Z E A L A N D   F I L M**

**ESSENTIAL INFORMATION:**

Director/Writer/Producer/Editor: Jason Stutter  
Starring: Cameron Stevens  
Sound: Matt Stutter  
Technical Information: 35mm/Beta SP/HD/Dolby Digital/2 Minutes  
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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 ShortFilmFestival Hamburg, Germany  
2008 62<sup>nd</sup> Edinburgh International Film Festival, UK  
2008 16<sup>th</sup> 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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 53<sup>rd</sup> Valladolid International Film Festival, Spain  
2008 *Golden Spike* - 53<sup>rd</sup> Valladolid International Film Festival, Spain  
2008 AFI Fest, USA  
2008 24<sup>th</sup> Interfilm Short Film Festival Berlin, Germany  
2008 *Special Mention* - 24<sup>th</sup> 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)