



Cinema at the End of Life



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Dr. Mera – Training



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Dr. Mera – Practice

Patient Care



Emergency Department

Trauma Center



Physician Executive Leadership



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Dr. Morris – Training



School of Medicine



Memorial Sloan Kettering
Cancer Center



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Patient Care



HEROES  WORK HERE

Academic Leadership & Research



Medical Aid In Dying
Leadership
Oregon & New Mexico

The journey to making the film

- Mom
- Medical school & residency
- Emergency physician experience
- Pediatric oncology experience
- Dad
- Cambia – Palliative Care Program
- Artist friend
- Script epiphany

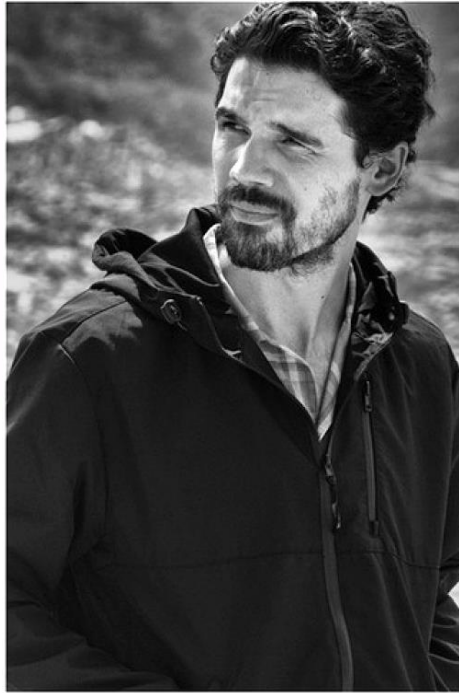
Tim True – director & co-writer

Production team



Casting

STARS



Steven Strait

Known for:
THE EXPANSE
MAGIC CITY
THE COVENANT



Anna Camp

Known for:
PITCH PERFECT
TRUE BLOOD
GOOD GIRLS REVOLT



Joe Lo Truglio

Known for:
BROOKLYN NINE-NINE
WET HOT AMERICAN SUMMER
DRUNK HISTORY

From shoot to release

Portland, Oregon shoot



Film Festivals



US Release – June 2020

Documentary – *How to Die in Oregon*

"First do no harm" is going to be different for every patient. Harm for some patients is saying, "No, no, no. You've got to do this the way your body decides as opposed to the way you decide."

-Dr. Morris, Cody Curtis' surgical oncologist. Both were featured in *How to Die in Oregon*.



Consulting on *Here Awhile*

Colon cancer in a young adult



Oregon Death with Dignity details



Coaching Anna Camp



We all share one thing...





Coming home



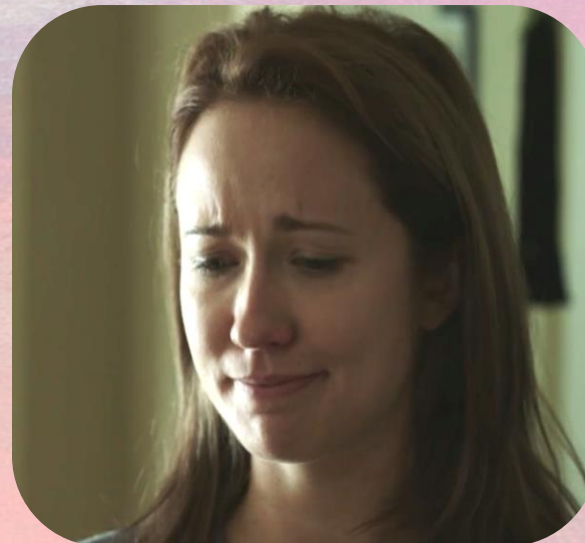
The good big sister



I'm sick



What's this?



Clinical trials

Behavioral Vaccines Approval Costly
Research Biomedical Data Vetting
Drugs New Participants Government
CLINICAL TRIALS
Studies Treatments Prospective
Government Medical Safety Companies
Scientific Monitoring Stages
Laboratories Benefits Outsourced
Factors Experiments Results Human Devices



Do you think I'm being selfish?



Resolution and forgiveness



I finally understand



Respect



Webster online dictionary defines death as the end of life.

Dignity, as a formal reserve or respect, and can mean forbearance from making a full explanation.

I think the end of your life deserves respect, even if it's an answer I don't understand.



Are you sure?



Preparing the medicine



Here Awhile



If I should die, and leave you here awhile
Be not like others sore undone, who keep
Long vigils by the silent dust and weep.
For my sake, turn again to life, and smile,
Nerving thy heart and trembling hand to do
Something to comfort weaker hearts than thine.
Complete these dear unfinished tasks of mine,
And I, perchance, may therein comfort you!

(Mary Lee Hall)

Bluebird

Bluebird come and rest your wings with me
Sing of sights unknown to me
Sing your sweet soliloquy

Bluebird I used to soar above the waves
On my back the sun's warm rays
Night has fallen on those days

Fly me beyond these walls

Bluebird my spirit's broken wings are tied
My eyes are raw from tears I've cried
And I can't find the strength to fly

Fly me beyond these walls

(Nora Meier)

