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## 'Into the Silent Sea' film pairs romance with space travel

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"Into the Silent Sea," a 25-minute short to be shown in a 6–9 p.m. Friday evening session of the Breckenridge Film Festival, packs plenty of emotion into a brilliantly acted production.

Russian cosmonaut Alexander is adrift in orbit around Earth while on a secret mission in the early days of the space race. He has lost communications with his ground support station and his life-support systems are dwindling fast. He manages to make contact with an Italian radio engineer working the night shift. The two men bond as the engineer works diligently to save the life of a man he's never met. Flashbacks show viewers Alexander's

history, one ripe with romance with a fellow female cosmonaut and a complex and uncontrollable set of circumstances that led to Alexander's plight.

Writer and director Andrej Landin said of making the film, "I started studying the space race, and I read fascinating articles about the so-called 'Lost Cosmonauts.' It may very well just be a myth, but it is an interesting one that serves as the basis for the story."

Other films featured in this session include the eerie short "Pretty," in which a troubled young woman plots to escape her small provincial town but finds her path to freedom challenged at every turn, and the full-length thriller "Dragon Day," in which a family

getaway to a mountain town turns deadly when China launches a massive cyberattack against the U.S.

Learn more about this and other films online at www.breckfilmfest.com. Do you want to sponsor this film at the annual Breckenridge Film Festival? Email info@breckfilmfest. com for information. The Breckenridge Film Festival will bring more than 50 independent films, their filmmakers and festivalgoers to Breckenridge from Sept. 18-21. Featuring chances to meet filmmakers, panel discussions, plenty of parties and mingling, and - back this year the Adventure Reel for young and young-at-heart



