



# CROOKEDFINGER

## SYNOPSIS

After the sudden deaths of her aging parents, Maria (**Paula Jon DeRose**) returns to her childhood home on Cape Cod. When Maria's estranged brother Nico (**Blake DeLong**) and his older girlfriend Sigrid (**Welker White**) show up to help sort out the estate, tensions soon rise about how to best sell the decrepit house. While Maria and Sigrid forge an unexpected friendship, Nico's emotional state becomes increasingly volatile. Is it the effects of an old brain injury, the toll of revisiting past family traumas, or something related to the strange vibrating hum that only Maria seems to hear?

## DIRECTORS

**Julia Halperin** and **Jason Cortlund** co-directed the arthouse feature **NOW, FORAGER** (2012). It premiered at IFF Rotterdam and New Directors/New Films and was nominated for a Gotham Award for Breakthrough Director. Their follow-up, **BARRACUDA** (2017) starring Allison Tolman and JoBeth Williams was originally developed at a Biennale College-Cinema workshop. The film premiered in the narrative competition at SXSW and in the Critics Week competition at Cairo IFF and was acquired by Samuel Goldwyn/Orion.

COMPLETED: November 1, 2023

SCREENING CATEGORY: Narrative Feature

GENRE: Psychological Suspense, Thriller, Family Drama

COUNTRY: USA

RUNNING TIME: 92 minutes

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: All territories

PRODUCTION COMPANIES: **Small Drama & Salem Street Entertainment**

PRODUCERS: **Julia Halperin & Todd Remis**

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