



## Film Kitchen presents two narrative shorts

### Screening List

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- 1) The Learning Curve (25 min)  
by Justin Louis Murrell & Candice Williams Murrell
  - 2) Thanks to Her (23 min)  
by Sam Orlowski, Sam McCoy, & Hayley Ulmer
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*Thanks To Her* is the story of Millie Blake (AJ Molder), a high school senior soccer player, whose life is turned upside down after an altercation with an out and proud classmate, Andy Wellick (Julia de Avilez Rocha). As punishment, the two girls get sentenced to a month's community service at a local nursing home. As she begins to not only bond with two of the residents, Jade and Pepper, but with Andy too, Millie begins to understand more about herself and becomes more confident in who she is.

In *The Learning Curve*, a college sophomore is forced to deal with a significant change that is happening in his family life. While in the midst of this crisis, his encounter with a charismatic street performer sets him on a path that initiates a process of greater self-discovery.

Artists will attend the screening for a virtual discussion  
with hosts Matthew R. Day (Film Kitchen) and Steven Haines (Jump Cut)  
and special guest host Willy James!

**Mark your calendars!**  
**Next Pittsburgh Film Kitchen**

**Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7pm**  
**on Jump Cut's Twitch channel**

*Anyone can submit completed works  
on film or video for the series.*

*For more information or to submit work, email host and curator  
Matthew R. Day at: [matthewday@jumputcuttheater.org](mailto:matthewday@jumputcuttheater.org)*

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