

BIOGRAPHY OF FILMMAKERS MÉLANIE CARRIER AND OLIVIER HIGGINS

Born in Quebec City, biologists Olivier Higgins and Mélanie Carrier started making films as a way of chronicling their adventures around the world. Their first film, *Asiemut*, tells the story of their 8,000 km bike ride from Mongolia to India. It won 35 awards worldwide, was seen in over 40 countries and was broadcast on several TV networks including Arte, RTBF, TSR and Al Jazeera. In 2010, the filmmakers founded MÖ films, a production company dedicated to documentaries. Their second film, *Encounters* was singled out by the National Geographic Society and won several international awards, and their satirical environmental short film, *L'Homme de glace*, was screened at a number of festivals. Their latest documentary, *Québécoisie*, nominated at the 2014 Jutra awards, examines the complex relationships between Quebecers and First Nations peoples.