

THE WORLD HAS LOST SOME OF ITS LIGHT TODAY. GOODBYE ROBERT TODD, MY FRIEND FOR 15+ YEARS; ONE OF THE LOVELIEST PEOPLE YOU COULD EVER HOPE TO MEET; SOMEONE WHO BROUGHT THE BEAUTY OF THE WORLD TO US THROUGH HIS CAMERA LENS, BUT ALSO SHINED A LIGHT ON ITS DARK CORNERS.

- PATRICK FRIEL



I LOVED HIS SENSE OF PLAYFULNESS, EXPLORATION, CHASING LIGHT. A FORMER STUDENT OF HIS PUT IT WELL: "ROB TODD TAUGHT ME THE ONE THING THAT WAS CRUCIAL ABOUT FILMMAKING - DISCOVERY, NOT STORY, NOT CHARACTER, NOT THEME, ALL OF WHICH CAN BE CALLOUSLY RECYCLED OR POORLY EXECUTED. No! IT'S DISCOVERY. EVERYTHING THAT IS EXCITING, THAT MOVES THE BLOOD AROUND YOUR BODY, THAT MAKES YOU SHIVER, THAT OPENS YOUR EYES WIDER, THAT CONNECTS YOUR SOUL, IS TIED TO THE PROCESS OF DISCOVERY. OF HAVING YOUR EYES OPEN AND YOUR CAMERA READY."

- SHANNON LEE CARROLL

ROBERT TODD HAS BEEN A GUIDING FORCE IN MY LIFE FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS. It's just too crazy for ME TO EVEN THINK ABOUT HOW MUCH OF AN EFFECT HE HAS HAD ON THE TRAJECTORY OF MY LIFE, BOTH PROFESSIONALLY AND PERSONALLY.

- CHRISSY HUNT

ROB NEVER IMPOSED HIS WILL ON OTHERS, WHICH MADE HIM A REALLY WONDERFUL MENTOR. HE INSPIRED ME ALONG WITH MANY OTHERS TO CREATE AUTHENTICALLY. WHAT YOU COULDN'T TAKE AWAY FOR INSPIRATION FROM HIS INSTRUCTION, YOU COULD GATHER FROM HIS FILMS. THEY WERE INTUITIVE, UNIQUE, AND AS MYSTERIOUS AS ROB, TAKING YOU ON A JOURNEY OF NATURAL BEAUTY AND DEEPER HIDDEN MESSAGES THAT WERE FASCINATING BUT DIFFICULT TO FIGURE OUT. JASMINE CLARK

HE ALWAYS SEEMED TRULY INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU WERE UP TO, AND READY TO RELAY SOMETHING COOL HE HAD JUST LEARNED, WHETHER ABOUT FILM OR ABOUT LIFE. AFTER RUNNING INTO ROB, I SOMEHOW ALWAYS FELT BETTER. HE WAS REALLY A BRIGHT, MULTIFACETED SOURCE OF LIGHT AND INSPIRATION FOR SO MANY IN SO MANY WAYS, THAT THIS SUDDEN, FREAKISH DARKNESS REMAINS DIFFICULT TO GRASP. - BRITTANY GRAVELY

I HAD NEVER EVEN SPOKEN TO ROB BEFORE, BUT ONE DAY HE CAME INTO MY OFFICE AND STARED AT ME IN SILENCE FOR LIKE 30 SECONDS (AN ACHINGLY LONG TIME WHEN YOU FEEL AWKWARD). HE THEN PROCEEDED TO DRAW A VERY LARGE, DETAILED USS ENTERPRISE ON THE WHITE BOARD I HAD HANGING IN MY OFFICE... AFTER HE FINISHED, HE SAID "THERE YOU GO" AND LEFT. I IMMEDIATELY KNEW I HAD A FRIEND IN HIM, AND IT ENDEARED ME TO HIM FOREVER.

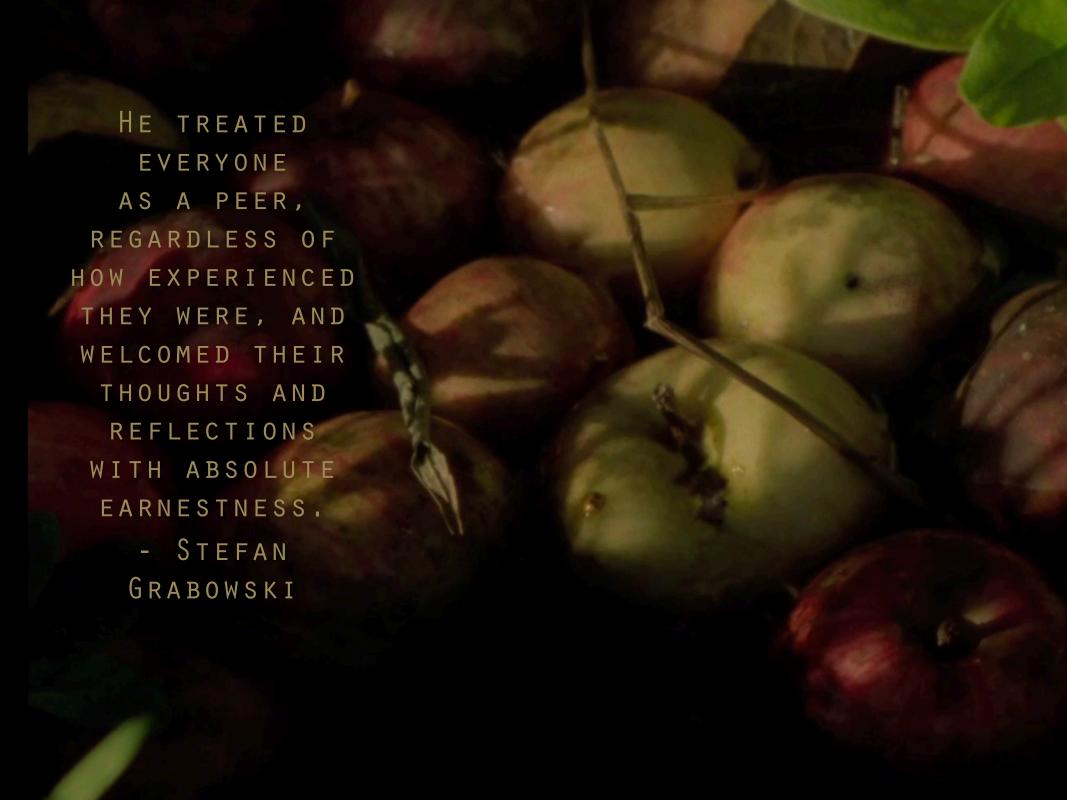
- COLLEEN POPLIN

"WHAT ABOUT THE DEATH OF MY FATHER? IN ORDER TO COME BACK TO LIFE, I MUST FIND A WAY PAST CONSOLATION. TO DO THIS, I ASSERT THAT I AM NO MORE THAN A VESSEL CONTAINING AND DISPERSING LIGHT AND SHADOW."



I THINK THIS IS HOW I'M WIRED—I SEEK OUT ELEMENTAL BUDS IN THE VIEWFINDER AND BLOW LIGHTLY ON THEM IN THE HOPES OF FANNING THEIR NASCENT WARMTH INTO MESMERIZING FLAMES/FRAMES AS A WAY OF CREATING DIALOGUE IN A RAPTUROUS STATE, AS IF MEANING CAN BE MORE APPARENT (OR UNDERSCORED MORE EMPHATICALLY) IN THIS PLACE OF HEIGHTENED AWARENESS AND ATTENTION. IT INSISTS THAT THE ECSTATIC STATE IS ALWAYS HERE, WITHIN THE MINUTE FOLDS OF THE EVERYDAY, I JUST NEED TO ADJUST MY VISION TO LET THE CONTOURS OF THAT ARENA BECOME APPARENT.





"OK - THERE IS NO END TO FILMMAKING, NO FINAL RESTING POINT, ONLY A TRANSFER OF CYCLES BUILDING TOWARD ECSTATIC STATES THAT HERALD THE FORMATION OF NEW CYCLES AS THEIR ECHOS TINGLINGLY FADE (WHAT THE HELL?) ACROSS THE GREAT EXPANSE."

- ADRA RAINE REMEMBERS ROB

ROB WAS SPECIAL. ON AUGUST 2, I SHOWED HIM HOW TO GET TO THE GREEN ROOFTOP OF KENDAL MARRIOT HOTEL (HAVE YOU BEEN THERE?). HE WAS SO PLEASED AND OVER-JOYED TO DISCOVER A NEW HIDEOUT, AND ALSO THE COMPLICATED WAY OF GETTING TO IT. HE LOVED THE DESIGN THERE AND THE PLANTS THAT ARE NORMALLY GROWN IN THE MEADOWS, BUT HERE THEY ARE, ON THE ROOF OF A BUSY SUBWAY STOP!

- WEN-HAO TIEN



THANK YOU FOR MAKING PAINTINGS OF BLIMPS AND ZEPPELINS IN DISREPAIR. I STILL REMEMBER THOSE STRANGE, UNIQUE AND MYSTERIOUS CANVASES...

THANK YOU FOR LENDING ME YOUR PAINTING SKILLS WITHOUT HESITATION FOR ART INSTALLATIONS THREE STATES AWAY FROM BEANTOWN.

THANK YOU FOR EAGERLY AGREEING TO COLLABORATE WITH ME ON OUR FIRST SHORT, AFTER BEING OUT OF TOUCH FOR OVER 10 YEARS. DURING THAT TIME, I WAS REINVIGORATED TO MAKE ART AND TO BE THE CREATIVE CRAZY PERSON THAT I WAS MEANT TO BE...

THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS BEING THERE TO BRAINSTORM, AND OFFER SINCERE CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP, OPENNESS, WARMTH AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

THANK YOU FOR BEING YOU.

- I LOVE YOU AND I MISS YOU.
- MICHAEL DWYER



OBSESSIVELY SHOOTING AND MAKING FILMS, ROB LOST THE NEED TO USE A LIGHT METER, AND EVENTUALLY, A SPLICER. I WAS SURPRISED HE STILL REQUIRED A CAMERA.

Love this bit from the late Rob Todd on the credit sequence in his 47-minute masterpiece IN LOVING MEMORY, which can be found on his Vimeo.

People walk away from credits and are like, Can we please just move on...you know, when can I leave? And to me that's sort of a metaphor for other things in the lives that we lead. Like, what can I ignore? What parts are easily crossed out here? These were some of the thoughts involved. And specifically with my father, there's an undercurrent in this film of family footage, because I asked the inmates about their happiest memories and many of them are family oriented. These are questions that we ask ourselves infrequently, and they're intimate questions we may be thinking about. But when they're given voice, there's something very powerful about this. For me, Marlon's final voice was a way of linking family and our larger, universal family. Is that okay? (laughter)

Paravel: Perfect.



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I am so saddened to hear about Rob Todd's passing. I'll never forget his lovely smile, his generous spirit, and his astonishingly beautiful films. He was an inspiration to so many.... The film community will miss him.

My condolences to your loved ones. #RobertTodd #RIP







shannonleecarroll Thinking about Rob Todd while at the Noguchi Museum. His joy for 16mm and experimental filmmaking was contagious. He was a nurturing soul who was always happy to see me. I never thought I wouldn't see him again.

I loved his sense of playfulness, exploration, chasing light. A former student of his put it well: "Rob Todd taught me the one thing that was crucial about filmmaking - discovery. Not story, not character, not theme, all of which can be callously recycled or poorly executed. No! It's discovery. Everything that is exciting, that moves the blood around your body, that makes you shiver, that opens your eyes wider, that connects your soul, is tied to the process of discovery. Of having your eyes open and your camera ready." #roberttodd #restinpeace









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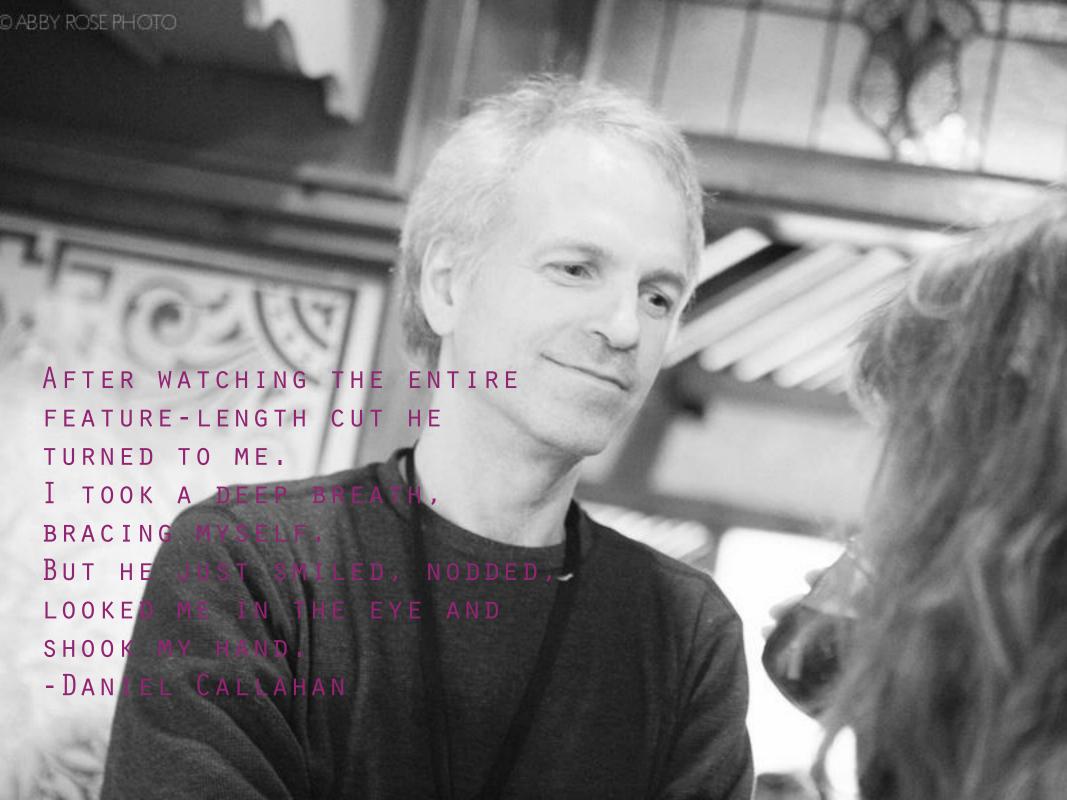
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"IS THE MOVIE THEATER PART OF NATURE? IF THEATER IS PART OF HUMAN NATURE, YES. IF THE ACTION OF LIGHT ON OUR PERCEPTIVE MINDS CAN LET EMOTIONS RUN LIKE WIND ACROSS THE GRASS, YES. IF WE HOLD EACH OTHER'S HANDS AND STROKE EACH OTHER'S BACKS IN THE CINEMA LIKE BABOONS ON THE PLAINS, YES. IF WE CAN PLANT SOMETHING THERE THAT TAKES HOLD, GROWS, AND REPRODUCES, YES. IF LOVE IS POSSIBLE THERE (AS I SUGGEST IN THE CREATIVE ACT OF REPRESENTATION), YES."

-- ROBERT TODD IN AN INTERVIEW WITH MIKE HOOLBOOM

SO HARD TO FIND WORDS FOR THE LOSS OF GENTLE BRILLIANT SENSITIVE KIND ROBERT TODD. I THINK HE WOULD LIKE THIS IMAGE OF TODAY'S SKY--IT COULD BE LOOKING UP AT THE SKY OR MAYBE IT COULD BE WHAT YOU SEE INSIDE THE SKY. MAYBE IT'S WHAT THINGS LOOK LIKE WHERE HE IS NOW. I'M HOLDING ONTO THE DEEP PEACE AND LOVE THAT HIS SPIRIT IS RESTING IN TODAY.

-JANE MARSCHING





IT ALWAYS SEEMED TO ME THAT, FOR ROB,
ART WASN'T NECESSARILY ABOUT PROVING
SOMETHING, OR CHALLENGING THE AUDIENCE TO
"GET IT". IT WAS JUST SELF-EXPRESSION AND
ABOUT PEOPLE SHARING A PERSPECTIVE, AND HE
WAS MORE THAN HAPPY TO ALWAYS TALK WITH
PEOPLE EASILY ABOUT WHAT IT MEANT TO HIM,
AND SEE AND UNDERSTAND THEIR IDEAS.

- BALLARD BOYD

WE NEVER THINK SUCH
A PERSON COULD TURN
OFF THE HOUSE FOR
THEIR OWN ASTOUNDING
LIGHT.

- SARAH ABBOTT





ROB WAS ALWAYS VERY SERIOUS IN HIS WORK, BUT HE WAS ALSO VERY SILLY. HE WAS COMPLETELY UNPRETENTIOUS - HE WOULD LET HIS WACKY SENSE OF HUMOR CARRY OVER INTO HIS FILMS WHENEVER HE FELT LIKE IT. HE PUT JUST AS MUCH CARE INTO CREATING A THREE-HOUR LONG SUPERCUT OF STAR WARS AS HE DID INTO HIS OFTEN TRANSCENDENTLY BEAUTIFUL FILM WORKS. ONE DIDN'T NEED TO KNOW ROB LONG TO BE DEEPLY TOUCHED BY HIS SPIRIT, BUT THAT LOVE ONLY GREW OVER TIME.

<u>- Stefan Grabowski</u>

ROB WAS OUR ADVISOR ON THE FILM AND I'M NOT EXAGGERATING WHEN I SAY WE COULDN'T HAVE MADE THE FILM WITHOUT HIS GUIDANCE, SUPPORT AND SO MUCH MORE HE EVEN ENDED UP SOUND MIXING THE FILM FOR US SO WE COULD MAKE THE SCREENING IN TIME. HE VERY OFTEN WENT WAY OVER AND BEYOND WHAT WAS EXPECTED OF HIM AS A PROFESSOR TO HELP ME AND COUNTLESS OTHER STUDENTS. I KNOW I'M NOT ALONE WHEN I SAY THAT I ADMIRED AND RESPECTED HIM VERY MUCH.

- MIKYUNG KIM

I LOOKED TO YOU AS A MODEL FOR HOW TO TFACH. FELT BUOYED BY YOUR REMARKABLE FRIENDSHIP AND GENEROSITY DURING THOSE YEARS THAT I WAS YOUR COLLEAGUE AT EMERSON; EVER SINCE SEEING SUITE OF FILMS IN 2002, I'VE BEEN ENVIOUS (AND TOTAL AWE) OF YOUR PRODIGIOUS OUTPUT, OF YOUR TOTAL MASTERY OF IMAGE AND SOUND, OF YOUR PRESENCE AS AN ARTIST AND TEACHER AND BOSTON HOLD-OUT AND BRILLIANT HUMAN IN THIS WORLD: AND T HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AND WILL FOREVER BE HONORED TO SHARE A SCREEN WITH YOU IN CINEMAS ALL ACROSS THE GLOBE.

- BEN RUSSELL

HE WAS A CHANNEL. HIS ABILITY TO SEE, HIS CAPACITY TO GO TO THE PLACES OF PURE FEELING AND NOT TURN AWAY, TO NOT DISSEMBLE, WERE EXQUISITE, BRAVE BEYOND BRAVE, AND DRIVEN BY HIS OWN PERSONAL NEED AND BY HIS UNWAVERING LOVE FOR EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING THAT CROSSED HIS PATH.

WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE PLAYED, LABORED,
LAUGHED AND LOVED SO CLOSELY WITH ROB, SOME OF US
FOR MANY MANY YEARS, SOME OF US FOR ONLY WEEKS OR
MONTHS. THE AMOUNT OF TIME MAKES NO DIFFERENCE. ALL
OF IT WAS A RADICAL GIFT THE LIKES OF WHICH ARE
RARE. WE WERE GRACED BY THE FIRE.

- SARAH BLISS

WE SHOWED HIM SOME PHOTOGRAPH PRINTS
OF MY HUSBANDS FROM EASTERN EUROPE AND
HE REALLY LIKED ONE, SO WE GAVE IT TO
HIM... I REMEMBER ROB'S RESPONSE WHEN
LOOKING — "IT'S SUCH A HAPPY CLOUD, I
JUST LIKE IT, IT'S SO HAPPY."

- ... YOU JUST REMEMBER HIM, AND HE MAKES AN IMPACT, BECAUSE HE WAS SO PRESENT AND THERE FOR YOU, WHOEVER YOU WERE, WHEREVER YOU CAME FROM AND WHERE EVER YOU WERE RIGHT THERE.
  - KRISTIN CULVERWELL

HE WAS BRILLIANT AND
KIND AND ALWAYS MADE
ME FEEL WELCOME AT
EMERSON COLLEGE. ROB
WAS A WILDLY CREATIVE
FILMMAKER, GENEROUS
MUSICIAN AND HE WAS
LOVED BY SO MANY.

- JOHN KRIVIT

HE WAS A LOVELY
AND GENEROUS MAN.
IF ONLY HE COULD
HAVE GIVEN THE
COMPASSION TO
HIMSELF THAT HE
GAVE TO OTHERS.

- LISA REINDORF

I MET ROB AT MANY FILM FESTIVALS OVER THE YEARS AND HE WAS ONE OF THE FIRST PEOPLE TO MAKE ME FEEL WELCOME AND COMFORTABLE WHEN I WAS NEW ON THE FESTIVAL SCENE. IT WAS ALWAYS VERY SPECIAL TO SEE HIM ACROSS CONTINENTS. THROUGH HIS PRESENCE I FELT THE FAMILY OF THE FILMMAKING COMMUNITY.

- JANA DEBUS

IT WAS DELIGHTFUL TO TALK, TO WALK, AND TO HANG OUT WITH HIM. HE WAS SYMPATHETIC, KIND, HUMOROUS, AND THOUGHTFUL. OUR WORLD WILL BE POORER NOT TO HAVE HIM IN IT, BUT AT LEAST WE WILL HAVE HIS LOVELY AND OBSERVANT FILMS. HE HELPED US ALL [LEARN] HOW TO LOOK AND HOW TO SEE.

- ADAM HYMAN

I REMEMBER THE YEAR HE CAME TO VISIT. I LAUGHED SO HARD WHEN WE STOOD IN FRONT OF THE CASTLE AND HE KEPT SHOUTING THAT IT COULDN'T BE REAL - IT WAS TOO BEAUTIFUL! HE SHOT SOME IMAGES IN THE PARK AND WE SCREENED THAT LITTLE FILM THE FOLLOWING YEAR. I'VE ALWAYS BEEN DEEPLY INSPIRED BY HIS WORK, HIS SENSITIVITY TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD AND HIS ABILITY TO CAPTURE IT IN A WAY THAT WAS TRULY JUST HIS.

- KIM KNOWLES

THE IMPACT OF ROBERT ON ME AS A FILMMAKER IS TOO GREAT TO DESCRIBE ... I KNOW I'M NOT ALONE IN FEELING HIS INFLUENCE. AND I WISH HE WAS STILL AROUND. RIP, DIRECTOR OF GOODNESS AND BEAUTY.

- ROBERT WILSON

I REALLY HOPE I'M MAKING THE DIFFERENCE IN MY STUDENTS' SELF-PERCEPTION THAT ROB MADE IN ME. THE FUNNIEST THING ABOUT ROB. SOMETHING I FELT A LOT AS HIS TA AND I WAS MAILING HIS MOVIES TO FILM FESTIVALS ALL OVER THE WORLD. IS THAT PEOPLE KNEW THEY WANTED TO COVET HIS PRODUCTIVITY AND SUCCESS. WE COULDN'T, THOUGH: HE APPEALED DIRECTLY TO OUR BETTER ANGELS.

- BRANDON SICHLING

IAM WALKING FOR ROBERT TODD, ONE OF THE KINDEST, SWEETEST PEOPLE. PLEASE SEEK HELP WHEN YOU FEEL THE DARKNESS. I AM HERE ANDI CARE -JULIE NUSSBAUM

A GREAT PERSON, PROFESSOR, AND EXPERIMENTAL FILMMAKER. A HUGE PART OF THE BOSTON FILM SCENE AND AN IMPORTANT MENTOR TO SO MANY.

- ADAM ROFFMAN

I'LL NEVER FORGET HIS LOVELY SMILE, HIS GENEROUS SPIRIT, AND HIS ASTONISHINGLY BEAUTIFUL FILMS. HE WAS AN INSPIRATION TO SO MANY.

- ANGEL RUEDA

ROB TODD WAS AN
INSPIRING PERSON, A
FRIEND AND SOMEONE WHO
JUST MADE YOU HAPPY WHEN
YOU SAW HIM.
M. McWilliams



YOU WERE ONE OF THE GREATEST TEACHERS
I EVER HAD AND THE EXPERIMENTAL FILMS
I MADE IN YOUR CLASS BACK IN THE DAY
HELPED ME GET THROUGH ONE OF THE DARKEST
PERIODS OF MY LIFE. I'LL FOREVER BE
INDEBTED TO YOU. YOU WILL ALWAYS BE
LOVED AND MISSED.

- CHARLES PIEPER

YOU WERE AN AMAZING PROFESSOR

AND HELPED US ALL REACH

OUR TRUE POTENTIAL. MORE

IMPORTANTLY YOU WERE A KIND

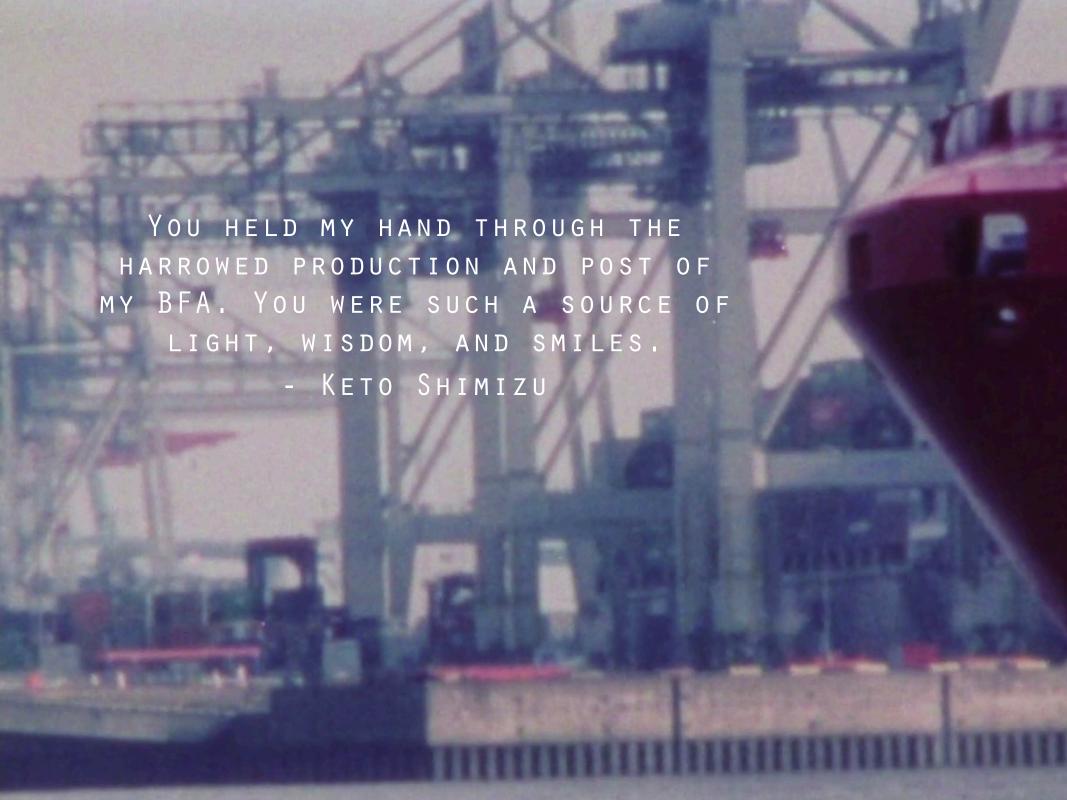
AND GENEROUS MAN TO US ALL.

- Rose Reses

THAT DAY WE LAUGHED, IT WAS HOT,
TESSA SENT US OFF WITH SNACKS,
ROB WORE COLORFUL STRIPED SOCKS
AND DREW MY ATTENTION TO ALL THE
FUNNY AND FASCINATING THINGS I WAS
OVERLOOKING.

- MARY CLARK





HIS FILMS WERE EXAMPLES OF WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE CAMERA BECOMES A PART OF YOUR BODY. MY INTERACTIONS WITH HIM WERE ALWAYS UNCERTAIN AND AWKWARD AND I ENJOYED THAT ABOUT HIM.

- JENNIFER PROCTOR

A SENSUOUS, LYRICAL FILMMAKER
AND TIRELESS, WORLD-CHANGING
EDUCATOR IS GONE AND WE'RE
WORSE FOR IT.

- JESSE MALMED

ROBERT TODD WAS ONE OF THE KINDEST, THOUGHTFUL AND POETIC SOULS I'VE CROSSED.

- "MEX PARISMENTAL"

HE WAS A GOOD MAN, ALWAYS
CHEERFUL AND BRIGHT AND
COMMITTED TO HELPING OUR
COLLECTION OF PHOTOGRAPHERS
AND FILM ARTISTS.

- THEOPHILUS PHOSKIA

HE HAS A GENTLE BEARING & PASSION

TO FILM THAT ISN'T RATIONAL.

WE SIT ON THE FLOOR, LEAN OUR

HEADS TO NOT GET IN THE WAY

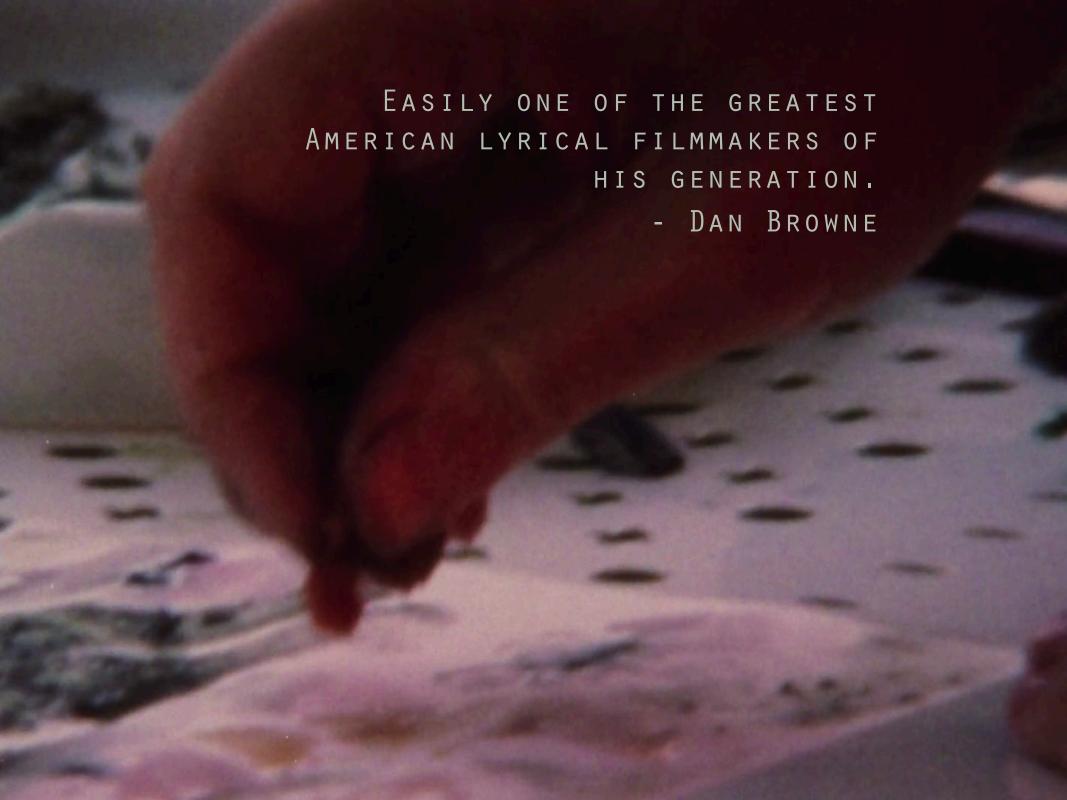
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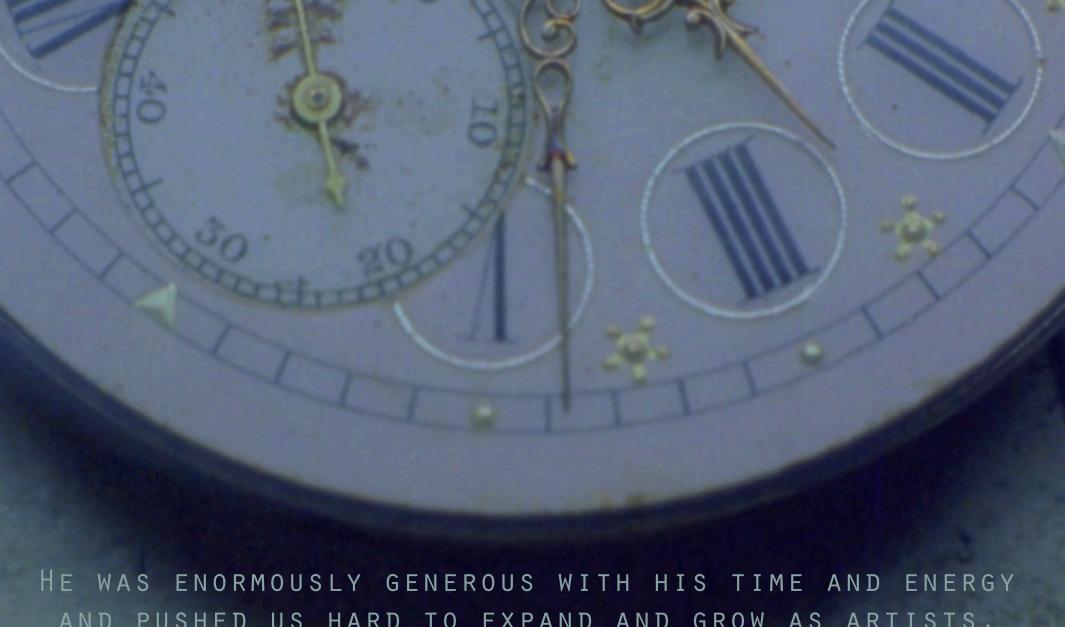
MASTERPIECE.

- OTIS WHEELER

I ALWAYS WANTED YOU TO THINK I WAS COOL.

- ERIC GOSSELIN





HE WAS ENORMOUSLY GENEROUS WITH HIS TIME AND ENERGY AND PUSHED US HARD TO EXPAND AND GROW AS ARTISTS.

I WOULD NOT BE THE FILMMAKER, NOR THE TEACHER I AM TODAY WITHOUT ROB...

- EILEEN ROSCINA

MY HEART ACHES EVERY TIME I SEE THIS MAN AND KNOW HE'S NOT TEACHING STUDENTS RIGHT NOW.

- MATT PLANER

A KEEN OBSERVER AND LISTENER OF FILM AND OF LIFE, ROB WAS GENEROUS WITH HIS TIME, HIS WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE AND WHAT SEEMED TO BE AN ENDLESS--AND INFECTIOUS -- ENTHUSIASM AND CURIOSITY. THE LIFE FORCE OF SO MANY ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE AREA THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, ROB WAS AN ENORMOUSLY PROLIFIC, MULTI-TALENTED ARTIST WHO WAS EXPERIMENTAL AT HEART BUT WORKED IN ALL GENRES AND KINDS OF FILM AS WELL AS MUSIC AND VISUAL ART.

- HARVARD FILM ARCHIVE



ROBERT TODD WAS... A PILLAR OF THE ARTIST COMMUNITY IN BOSTON, WHOSE WORK, LEADERSHIP, AND COURAGE AS A FILMMAKER AND TEACHER CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A MODEL OF THE CRITICAL ROLE THAT ARTISTS HAVE IN OUR WORLD — THE SPIRIT OF WHICH WE MUST SUPPORT AND AFFIRM FOR ONE ANOTHER.

- LEF FOUNDATION

ROBERT WAS A THOUGHTFUL, TALENTED ARTIST AND A GENEROUS TEACHER. ALTHOUGH BASED IN BOSTON, HE WAS A FREQUENT VISITOR TO CANADA AND HIS LOSS IS FELT THROUGHOUT THE EXPERIMENTAL FILM COMMUNITY.

- CFMDC

MUY TRISTES POR EL FALLECIMIENTO DE #ROBERTTODD, UNA PERSONA Y CINEASTA EXCEPCIONAL QUE ADMIRAMOS PROFUNDAMENTE.

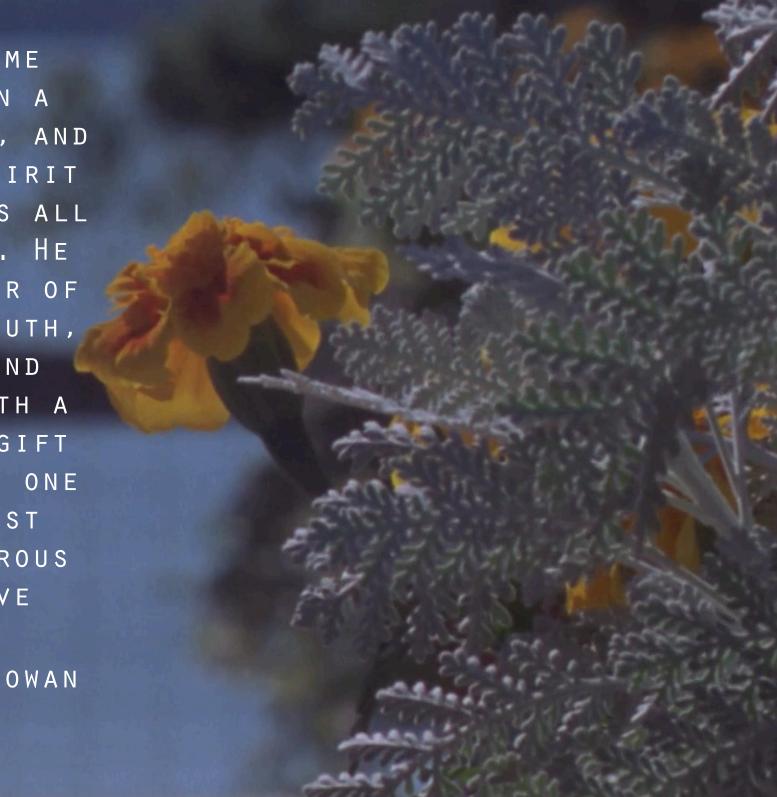
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HAI UNS DÍAS FÓISENOS ROBERT TODD, PROFESOR E CINEASTA. OS SEUS FILMES, MARABILLOSOS, TROUXÉRONO A CURTOCIRCUÍTO NO 2016. TEMOS QUE DICIR QUE FOI -E SERÁ- UN DOS CONVIDADOS MÁIS ESPECIAIS QUE PASARON POR AQUÍ: EDUCADO, AGARIMOSO, RESPECTUOSO E TREMENDAMENTE XENEROSO. DESDE ENTÓN, MANTIÑA UNHA ESTREITA RELACIÓN CO FESTIVAL E, NESTES DÍAS, NON DAMOS CRÉDITO AO SEU PASAMENTO. GRAZAS, ROBERT, POR SERES ASÍ. E GRAZAS POLA BELEZA QUE DEIXAS NO MUNDO.

- CURTO CIRCUITO FESTIVAL

HE INSPIRED ME ENORMOUSLY ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, AND HIS SPECIAL SPIRIT QUIETLY INFUSES ALL THAT I NOW DO. HE WAS A FILMMAKER OF EXCEPTIONAL TRUTH, COMMITMENT AND INTEGRITY, WITH A TRULY UNIQUE GIFT OF SEEING, AND ONE OF THE KINDEST AND MOST GENEROUS PEOPLE I HAVE KNOWN.

- RICHARD ASHROWAN



ROB WAS LIKE THE NORTH STAR TO THE EMERSON STUDENTS WHO SOUGHT AN ALTERNATIVE WAY OF EXPRESSING THEMSELVES, AND THROUGH HIS KINDNESS, GENEROSITY AND ENCOURAGEMENT, HE HELPED GUIDE THEM TO FIND THEIR OWN TRUE NORTH.

- ERIC KENCH



HE WAS SUCH A KIND, GENTLE, CALM, AND GENEROUS PERSON, QUALITIES THAT SHINE THROUGH IN THE QUIET POETRY OF HIS FILMS. BUT HE WAS ALSO FUNNY, AND THAT WHIMSY AND WIT ARE ALSO A FUNDAMENTAL PART OF HIS WORK.

- DANETTE ST. ONGE

I WILL MISS YOUR GENUINE COMPULSION TO MAKE ART AS YOU LIVED YOUR LIFE, YOUR COMMITMENT TO AND BELIEF IN COMMUNITY, YOUR GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT AND TIME, YOUR ABILITY TO CUT RIGHT THROUGH BULLSHIT WITH HONESTY AND HUMOR, YOUR CONTAGIOUS "LET'S GO FOR IT" ATTITUDE, AND MOST OF ALL YOUR GENTLE AND UPLIFTING PRESENCE AS AN ARTIST, TEACHER, MENTOR, AND FRIEND.

- GENEVIEVE CARMEL

HE ALWAYS SEEMED TO BE AN EARSHOT AWAY FROM ME AS I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE IT ALL OUT. OFTEN TIMES HIS ANSWERS SEEMED MORE LIKE QUESTIONS. HOW MANY YOUNG LIVES HE INSPIRED AND CHANGED... THE IDEA OF FILMMAKING FELT SO BIG AND IMPOSSIBLE BEFORE I MET HIM.

- LANCE DRAKE



WHENEVER ROBERT TODD
WORKED AT HIS ART
SO VISIBLY AND SO
VISIBLY FOCUSED IN
OUR COMMUNITY, MY
HEART ALWAYS MELTED
WITH PRIDE AND
ADMIRATION.

- SARAH BOB

ROB TODD WAS A RARE, GENUINE SOUL WHO WAS A GIFTED ARTIST, MENTOR, AND FRIEND. HE SIMULTANEOUSLY TAUGHT ME A CRAFT'S DISCIPLINE AND HOW TO THINK OUTSIDE OF THE BOX. HE WAS AN ANCHOR YET, FLEW UNBOUNDED.

- TREVOR BAILEY

