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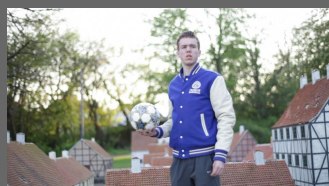
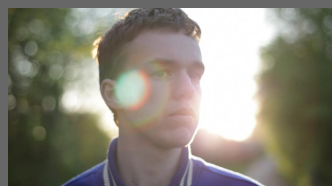
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A DIFFERENT KIND OF BOY

Ulrik Wivel, Denmark, 2013



54 min. | DK/Documentary



Alexander is autistic. The film opens on his 18th birthday, where he is surrounded by his mother, step dad, older brother and a handful of friends of the family. During the course of a speech given by his mother, it becomes evident that Alexander faces a new beginning in life. The mother informs us that Alexander has moved from one sheltered housing for autists to another, where he has his own little flat and where, for the first time ever, he is to live with a greater degree of independency. She mentions that Alexander has a job now, where he is reportedly doing very well. She speaks to Alexander of her pride. Meanwhile, Alexander is watching his hands under the table, spinning a small, Danish paper flag between his fingers. After the birthday song and the accompanying cheers, Alexander politely excuses himself and walks to an adjacent room. His long, delicate silhouette is visible in front of the TV screen, playing Guitar Hero. So are millions of other kids all over the world, but here is Alexander, now 18, on his way into life as an adult.

Basic information

Credits

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Keywords	Young people , Autism , Families , Travels
Director	Ulrik Wivel
Producer	Sidsel Lønvig Siersted
Director of Photography	Ulrik Wivel
Editor	Julius Krebs Damsbo
Composer	TBA
Production country	Denmark
Danish festival release	07.11.2013
TV release	02.04.2014, DR 2
DFI subsidy	Konsulentstøtte
Danish rating	Allowed for all

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