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FTII STUDENT FILM SELECTED BY BEIJING FILM ACADEMY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FILM FESTIVAL.

EKAANT, a short fiction film by Sarthak Bhasin, recent alumnus of Film and Television Institute of India (FTII) Pune, has been selected at the prestigious Beijing Film Academy's International Student Film & Video Festival (ISFVF) to be held from 21-28 October, 2018 in China.

Sarthak Bhasin, a 2011 batch film Direction student directed the Course end diploma film which has been shot by Pretheepan Selvarathnam, edited by Sumit Kumar with sound by Arun Kumar R.

"After Tbilisi International Students Short Film Festival, the selection of EKAANT at ISFVF is another feather in the cap for both, FTII and Sarthak. He has been a brilliant student throughout. On FTII scholarship he studied for a semester at the prestigious Film and TV School of the Academy of Performing Arts in Prague (FAMU, Prague) in Czech Republic in 2015. He was awarded "Best Final year Film Direction student of FTII" at the 13th Pune International Film Festival (PIFF-2015) and won the FTII Academic Toppers Scholarship in the Year 2015 & 2011 at FTII, Pune. He also bagged 'K.A. Abbas Memorial First Year Meritorious Student' Scholarship in the Year 2010 at FTII.", said Bhupendra Kainthola, Director, FTII while congratulating Sarthak on his spectacular achievement.

Set in an unspecified time and space, the protagonist of EKAANT seems to be the only living person in a completely devastated city. He goes about, struggling his way, negotiating the tough settings and trying to survive. When on one fine day, out of nowhere, he happens to meet another person. Except that this person looks exactly like him!





