

MIGHTY MOTION PICTURES PRESENTS
A PUNAM KUMAR GILL FILM



HUSH

ONE WOMAN INVESTIGATES THE UNTOLD
EFFECTS OF ABORTION ON WOMEN'S HEALTH

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Filmed on location in Alberta, Quebec, Ontario, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, DC, Pennsylvania, California, Texas, Washington, Ohio, Illinois, and the UK
| Length: 103 minutes | Format: 1920 x 1080 HD Colour |

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| THE STORY | Indo-Canadian Director, Punam Kumar Gill, felt that questioning anything around abortion was a treason to her feminist identity. But when she heard that the health information being given to women was subject to the politics of the people involved, and that 50 million women worldwide (1 in 3 in America) could be affected annually, she determined to take an honest and comprehensive look at this controversial subject. She trudged through the highly volatile and politicized research around abortions' disputed connections with breast cancer, premature birth and psychological problems and what she discovered in the process is not just vital to the subject of abortion, but also critical to her own life, and integral to the ongoing progress of women everywhere.

| THE BACKSTORY | The story of how the film was made is as unprecedented as the film itself, with the unlikely producing partnership of "pro-choice" Director, Gill, and "pro-life" Producer, Joses Martin. "When we began conversations about the subject of the health effects of abortion on women, we weren't sure whether such a partnership would be possible." confesses Martin. "But we believed that if we could overcome our differences and work together, the outcome would be powerful towards the breaking down of political boundaries. Together we determined to maintain one goal, and only one goal, in the making of this film: to find the truth for the sake of women's health. To do this, we would have to maintain a posture of honour towards all women, forgoing our personal opinions of whether abortion is right or wrong, good or bad. We united for the greater good: to ensure that the best possible care is being given to women."



| THE DIRECTOR | Punam Kumar Gill is a self-taught, award-winning independent documentary filmmaker. In her debut film, *The Lesson*, Punam earned critical acclaim and garnered numerous awards and official selections at film festivals throughout North America and India. Punam has been a jury member for Canada Council for the Arts, Alberta Foundation for the Arts, and The Calgary Foundation. She is a *Chatelaine Magazine* 'Woman of the Year' nominee. Punam is also the TV Host of 2 award-winning food and wine shows. *HUSH* is her 8th documentary film.