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A FRIENDSHIP between a heartbroken woman and a gay man is the focus of a feature film set to be shown at the Alice Springs Cinema next month.

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There she unintentionally causes tension between Jean and his French partner, Philippe.

The film's writer, director

and lead actor is Newcastle girl Sophie Mathisen.

Ms Mathisen said the film was very relatable to young Aussies.

"I definitely think our generation, our expectations for our lives and love lives are very different now," she said.

"This idea of getting married in our early 20s, settling down and having kids — it is a little bit more difficult than that for us.

"The response has already been it is a very relatable story, and it feels very authentic and very honest. I think that's what I want people to take away."

It is Ms Mathisen's first feature film and was created with a 50 per cent gender quota.

The movie will be released online the same day it shows in cinemas.

It has been screened at seven international film festivals

About 25 tickets have been sold so far, with another 50 required to secure the screening.

Ms Mathisen said the film was inspired by her own heart-break and strong friendship with a gay friend.

"It is about the closeness between a single woman and a

gay male and how that can normally take up the space of a romantic relationship for both people," she said.

The special screening *Drama* will be on Thursday November 17 at 8pm.

Enough tickets must be sold to ensure this screening goes ahead.

Funds will be placed on hold until the screening is confirmed.

If it doesn't happen those funds will be released.

■ To buy tickets, go to <https://fan-force.com/screenings/drama-alice-springs-cinema-nl/>

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