

# GRINDERS

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A Border City Pictures production

*Odds don't mean much outside the poker room* - Matt Gallagher, Director

## **Hot Docs 2011 Screenings:**

Friday April 29, 9:45PM      The Isabel Bader Theatre

Saturday May 7, 9:30PM      TIFF Bell Lightbox 1

Sunday May 8, 6:30PM      The Fox

With a new baby and wife to support, out-of-work filmmaker **Matt Gallagher** tries his hand - and some would say "luck" - at playing poker for a living. **Grinders** is the director's inside journey into the unconventional, often bizarre, underground world of illegal poker clubs.

It's a world populated by colourful characters, straight out of central casting. A world where the workday starts at midnight, runs strictly on cash, and can change forever with the simple flip of a card.

Playing poker to pay the bills means living side by side with risk. But, as **Gallagher** soon discovers, the real meaning of risk lies far outside the poker room - and can strike in the most personal way.

Matt's intimate, first person narrative is joined by the voices of other grinders with stories that range from tales of ultimate success to personal disaster.

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