

# anti-slapping



in response to *happy slapping*

'Cause the *happy slapping* phenomenon is spreading faster and faster in Europe, a group founded by the artist Rosario Caltabiano advocates *anti-slapping* in order to react to the practise of filming acts of violence.

The *anti-slapping* uses the *happy slapping's* scheme: after you have found a "victim", you take her/him by surprise; an assistant shoots the action by a mobile; then, you leave the victim in a hurry; finally, the video you made spreads largely through mobiles and the Internet.

However, *anti-slapping* differs from *happy-slapping* because the action is not rough (neither slaps nor punches), but sweet, kind, careful: to offer a flower, to give a caress or a kiss, to clasp someone's hand and so on.

Every action, even if rapid and stunning, demands full respect for the person involved in the *anti-slapping* practise.

You are invited to make plenty of *anti-slapping videos* to be gathered on the site:

<http://www.anti-slapping.net>

A selection of anti-slapping videos will be officially presented at the "Festival Pocket Films" 2006 at the Centre George Pompidou in Paris the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2006 at 12.00 pm (<http://www.festivalpocketfilms.fr>).

You are requested to engage in anti-slapping and to spread such an initiative through your friends. You need a video camera mobile, a bit of creativity, a bit of courage and over all much indignation at the *happy slapping* phenomenon.

**Send your *anti-slapping movies* to:**  
[video@anti-slapping.net](mailto:video@anti-slapping.net)

Thanks a lot for your collaboration !