

NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS & WINNERS - JANUARY 2021

BEST FEATURE FILM

Righteous Villains Director Savvas D. Michael (WINNER)

BEST SHORT FILM

Man of Fire Director Heather Schmidt (WINNER)

Junior Director Jehnovah Carisle

Looking Through the Trees Director Justin Morfin

Night Out Director James Huang

End of an Affair Director James Huang

Exchange Offer Director Saunak Mitra

Body Armor Director Simon Mølviq

Enigma Director Abhay Thakur

Beyond the Fuchsias Director Tara Jackson

Walks Director Al J. Moran

BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM

News Director Robert Bazzocchi (WINNER)

BEST INDIE FEATURE

Young & Reckless Director Timothy Barker Jr (WINNER)

BEST INDIE SHORT

Clann Director Aaron O'Neill (WINNER)

Lover Gone Director Alexander Dell'Aquila

Fù Director Matthew McCracken

Dirty Game Director Smaro Angelakopoulou

BEST SERIES PILOT

Grinding Doubt Director Alexandra Ann Spieth (WINNER)

BEST WEB-SERIES

Good Monsters Directors Johannes Muhr, Julia Zimth (WINNER)

BEST ANIMATION

The Moon 2050™ Director Paul Lapushkin (WINNER)

A Grenfell Story Director Hameed Catel

Me and Me Director Jason Spizzo

BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

African Democracy Director Irvin D. Reid (WINNER)

A Perfect Vintage Director Troy Christian

When Titans Clash: Pride and Shame Director Pearl Forss

Outraged Director Simon Bisset

The DS King Director Doret van der Sloot

Under threat Director Ewa Stankiewicz

BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT

Time Menders Director Dai Shi (WINNER)

The Funny Runner Director Rob Steger

Spark Submitter Alex Flagg

Parklife Director Lillian Xuege Li

BEST STUDENT FILM	BEST EXPERIMENTAL FILM
<p>Burn down Submitter Wang Xinyan (WINNER) <i>Escargot</i> Director Ren Zheng <i>Lata</i> Director Isabella Hicks <i>Genealogy</i> Director Penghao Cui</p>	<p>Transfigurations Director Alberto Martín-Aragón (WINNER)</p>
BEST MUSIC VIDEO	BEST TRAILER
<p>Lover Gone Director Alexander Dell'Aquila (WINNER) <i>Diamonds</i> Director Shaun David Barker <i>Blissfully Ignorant</i> Director Søren Lund <i>Beautiful Lure</i> Director Koutaro Ishida</p>	<p>Rohingya Director Haider Khan (WINNER)</p>
BEST THRILLER	BEST MYSTERY FILM
<p>The First Time Director Giovanni Nodari (WINNER)</p>	<p>Enigma Director Abhay Thakur (WINNER)</p>
BEST DRAMA	BEST WESTERN
<p>Looking Through the Trees Director Justin Morfin (WINNER) <i>846</i> Directors Charles Andrews, Andrew Essig, Amy Sterling Avila</p>	<p>Saving Grayson Director Breck Cuddy (WINNER)</p>
BEST MUSICAL	BEST LGBTQ FILM
<p>Sergi & Irina Directors Miquel Verd, Àlex Tejedor (WINNER) <i>The Race</i> Directors Michael Everett, Carolina Stevens</p>	<p>On The Floor Director Corey Koepper (WINNER)</p>
BEST BIOGRAPHICAL FILM	BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE FILM
<p>Kaali Maati Director Hemantkumar Mahale (WINNER)</p>	<p>Outraged Director Simon Bisset (WINNER) <i>846</i> Directors Charles Andrews, Andrew Essig, Amy Sterling Avila</p>
BEST SPORT FILM	BEST DIRECTOR
<p>Fixed Director Karel van den Berg (WINNER)</p>	<p>A Perfect Vintage Director Troy Christian (WINNER - Feature) Man of Fire Director Heather Schmidt (WINNER - Short) <i>The Trip</i> Director Drew Maxwell Weiss <i>Night Out</i> Director James Huang <i>End of an Affair</i> Director James Huang <i>Fù</i> Director Matthew McCracken <i>Good Monsters</i> Directors Johannes Muhr, Julia Zimth</p>

BEST 1ST TIME DIRECTOR	BEST PRODUCER
<p>Young & Reckless Director Timothy Barker Jr (WINNER - Feature) Enigma Director Abhay Thakur (WINNER - Short) <i>Dirty Game Director Smaro Angelakopoulou</i> <i>Looking Through the Trees Director Justin Morfin</i> <i>Amalie X Director Nima Kianzad</i> <i>Neo Gender Director Emmanuelle Soffé</i> <i>Genealogy Director Penghao Cui</i> <i>Beyond the Fuchsias Director Tara Jackson</i> <i>The Clone Director Joei So</i></p>	<p>The DS King Director Doret van der Sloot (WINNER)</p>
BEST 1ST TIME PRODUCER	BEST ACTOR
<p>Looking Through the Trees Director Justin Morfin (WINNER)</p>	<p>(Michael Wetherbee) End of an Affair Director James Huang (WINNER) <i>(Karn Kalra) News Director Robert Bazzocchi</i></p>
BEST ACTRESS	BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
<p>(Beteal Sharon Mahari) Junior Director Jehnovah Carisle (WINNER) <i>(Lauren A. Kennedy) Night Out Director James Huang</i> <i>(Freja Zeuthen) End of an Affair Director James Huang</i> <i>(Jeng Chang) Fù Director Matthew McCracken</i> <i>(Nadine Knobloch) The Circle Director Nadine Knobloch</i></p>	<p>(Angela Carbone) Night Out Director James Huang (WINNER)</p>
BEST ACTING ENSEMBLE	BEST ACTING DEBUT
<p>Good Monsters Directors Johannes Muhr, Julia Zimth (WINNER) <i>Night Out Director James Huang</i></p>	<p>(Joey Moe) Body Armor Director Simon Mølvig (WINNER)</p>
BEST VISUAL EFFECTS	BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY
<p>Two Worlds, Not One Director Hemma Kearney (WINNER)</p>	<p>A Perfect Vintage Director Troy Christian (WINNER)</p>
BEST SOUNDTRACK	BEST SONG
<p>Man of Fire Director Heather Schmidt (WINNER) <i>For Eternity Submitter Tim Janssens</i> <i>Escargot Director Ren Zheng</i> <i>Good Monsters Directors Johannes Muhr, Julia Zimth</i> <i>The Race Directors Michael Everett, Carolina Stevens</i></p>	<p>Losing You To Me Director Jeff Alan Rule (WINNER) <i>Night Out Director James Huang</i></p>

BEST DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY	BEST EDITING
<p>Slip Director Kurt Csolak (WINNER) <i>Bad Feeling Director Nyko PK16</i></p>	<p>Night Out Director James Huang (WINNER) <i>Fù Director Matthew McCracken</i></p>
BEST SCREENPLAY	BEST ORIGINAL STORY
<p>Dearest Death Director Calabrese Rossella (WINNER) <i>Night Out Director James Huang</i> <i>Good Monsters Directors Johannes Muhr, Julia Zimth</i> <i>The Trip Director Drew Maxwell Weiss</i></p>	<p>Clann Director Aaron O'Neill (WINNER)</p>
GRAND JURY AWARDS	HONORABLE MENTIONS
<p>Dirty Game Director Smaro Angelakopoulou (1st time Director - Short) Night Out Director James Huang (Screenplay) (Freja Zeuthen) End of an Affair Director James Huang (Actress) Fù Director Matthew McCracken (Editing) 846 Directors Charles Andrews, Andrew Essig, Amy S. Avila (Drama) Escargot Director Ren Zheng (Student Film) Good Monsters Directors Johannes Muhr, Julia Zimth (Soundtrack) The Race Directors Michael Everett, Carolina Stevens (Musical) A Grenfell Story Director Hameed Catel (Animation)</p>	<p>The Trip Director Drew Maxwell Weiss (Screenplay) (Lauren A. Kennedy) Night Out Director James Huang (Actress) Fù Director Matthew McCracken (Indie Short) Beyond the Fuchsias Director Tara Jackson (Short Film) Genealogy Director Penghao Cui (1st time Director - Short)</p>