

# NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FILM AWARDS

## FINALISTS & WINNERS - AUGUST 2023

### BEST FEATURE FILM

**Dress Code Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER)**  
*Goffredo e l'Italia chiamò* Director Angelo Antonucci

### BEST SHORT FILM

**Lieve Piet Director Jarne Hagelaars (WINNER)**  
*A Breath of Fresh Air* Director Destinee Easley  
*Saras* Director Jude Peter Damian  
*Under the Currents* Director Zhedan Deng  
*Harlem Grace* Director Allen Wolf  
*The Roommate* Director Fabio Anffe

### BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM

**A Day of Peace Director Igor Borghi (WINNER)**  
*Visitant of Paris* Director Jérémy Stroh

### BEST INDIE FEATURE

**Eulalia Director Igor Moreira (WINNER)**  
*Long Years* Director Jason Huang

### BEST INDIE SHORT

**Sleeping Beauty in the New Age Director Ji Yu (WINNER)**  
*Who is God?* Director Oscar Adan Lopez Parres  
*Visitant of Paris* Director Jérémy Stroh

### BEST SERIES PILOT

**East Director Dana Marisa Schoenfeld (WINNER)**  
*Red as Pansies* Director Ann Hong

### BEST WEB-SERIES

**East Director Dana Marisa Schoenfeld (WINNER)**

### BEST ANIMATION

**The Cat Burglar Director Xuwei Sun (WINNER)**  
*Cavity* Director Jiayi Li  
*Kite* Director Toshida  
*Monsters With Garlands* Submitter Qi Yuan

### BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

**Taking the Fight Director Carlos Arrieta (WINNER)**  
*It's Okay, Buddy* Director Filbert Wong  
*In Search of the Tallest: A Redwoods Adventure* Director Steve A Hall  
*The Forgotten Artist* Director Michael Welsh  
*Sonja* Director Sanela Prašović – Gadžo

### BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT

**Kalsa Blo Mi - Writing on the Skin Director Arjun Singh Gyani (WINNER)**  
*Beyond Lesser Things* Director David Schaupp  
*Endless Ties: Uniting Waste and Humanity* Submitter Zharif Manan  
*Preschool to Prison* Director Dr. Karen Baptiste  
*Kalsa Blo Mi - Rhythm of Baluan* Director Arjun Gyani  
*13 Driver's Licenses* Director Ryoya Terao

BEST STUDENT FILM	BEST SILENT FILM
<b>Stand Waiting In the Light Director Ziyu Wang (WINNER)</b> <i>Under the dome Director Jincheng Liu</i> <i>Sleeping Beauty in the New Age Director Ji Yu</i> <i>Lieve Piet Director Jarne Hagelaars</i> <i>The Wedding Eve Director Xinyao Wu</i> <i>Runaway Director César Oyarzabal</i> <i>Mei Mei Director Daniel Jiaxuan Huang</i>	<b>Visitant of Paris Director Jérémy Strohm (WINNER)</b>
BEST EXPERIMENTAL FILM	BEST MUSIC VIDEO
<b>Red as Pansies Director Ann Hong (WINNER)</b> <i>See Director Kuei Zhu Chen</i>	<b>Defiance Director Dimitri Legrand (WINNER)</b> <i>Bold Director Myrriah Xochitl</i>
BEST TRAILER	BEST FANTASY FILM
<b>The Matriarch Director Octavia Ethridge (WINNER)</b>	<b>Bunny Guard Director Ho Chung Tang (WINNER)</b>
BEST SCI-FI FILM	BEST HORROR FILM
<b>Shadows Director Richard Sanborn (WINNER)</b>	<b>Malevolence Director Jesaniel Marrero (WINNER)</b>
BEST DRAMA FILM	BEST NOIR FILM
<b>From Life to Life Director Beka Sikharulidze (WINNER)</b> <i>Long Years Director Jason Huang</i>	<b>Someone who is punctual Director Haibo Wang (WINNER)</b>
BEST MUSICAL FILM	BEST NATURE FILM
<b>Spells Before Destiny - from the musical “This is Love”- Director Akisai M (WINNER)</b>	<b>In Search of the Tallest: A Redwoods Adventure Director Steve A Hall (WINNER)</b>
BEST INSPIRATIONAL FILM	BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE FILM
<b>Saras Director Jude Peter Damian (WINNER)</b> <i>Red as Pansies Director Ann Hong</i>	<b>The Sugar Experiment Director John Tornblad (WINNER)</b> <i>Reunited Director Indrani Pal-Chaudhuri</i> <i>The Sound of Violet Director Allen Wolf</i>

BEST SPORT FILM	BEST DIRECTOR
Anton Palzer: Breaking The Cycle Director Lukas Gellert (WINNER)	Eulalia Director Igor Moreira (WINNER - Feature) A Day of Peace Director Igor Borghi (WINNER - Short) <i>Dress Code</i> Director Joseph Pupello <i>Kite</i> Director Toshida <i>Red as Pansies</i> Director Ann Hong
BEST 1ST TIME DIRECTOR	BEST STUDENT DIRECTOR
From Life to Life Director Beka Sikharulidze (WINNER - Feature) Lieve Piet Director Jarne Hagelaars (WINNER - Short) <i>Telescope</i> Director Nicolás Dimópulos <i>Sleeping Beauty in the New Age</i> Director Ji Yu	We Made a Meme Museum Director Jazzy Anne (WINNER - Feature) The Wedding Eve Director Xinyao Wu (WINNER - Short) <i>Sleeping Beauty in the New Age</i> Director Ji Yu <i>Stand Waiting In the Light</i> Director Ziyu Wang <i>Telescope</i> Director Nicolás Dimópulos <i>Sorceress</i> Director Uziyao Tang
BEST ART DIRECTOR	BEST 1ST TIME PRODUCER
Long Years Director Jason Huang (WINNER) (Jazzy Anne, Nastassja Collak) <i>We Made a Meme Museum</i> Director Jazzy Anne	(Iris Sophie Kroes) Lieve Piet Director Jarne Hagelaars (WINNER)
BEST ACTOR	BEST ACTRESS
(Gerard Garilli) <i>Dress Code</i> Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER) (Shane Connellan) <i>Bully</i> Director Shane Connellan	(Nina Frosi) Eulalia Director Igor Moreira (WINNER) (Ann Hong) <i>Red as Pansies</i> Director Ann Hong
BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR	BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
(Freddie Maas) <i>Dress Code</i> Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER)	(Alex DiTrolio) <i>Dress Code</i> Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER)
BEST YOUNG ACTOR	BEST VISUAL EFFECTS
(Nicolás Dimópulos) <i>Telescope</i> Director Nicolás Dimópulos (WINNER) (Nicholas Giordano) <i>Dress Code</i> Director Joseph Pupello	Visitant of Paris Director Jérémy Strohm (WINNER) <i>Red as Pansies</i> Director Ann Hong
BEST MAKE-UP	BEST SOUNDTRACK
(Kristy Panariello) <i>Dress Code</i> Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER)	Long Years Director Jason Huang (WINNER) (Nicolas Arrieta) <i>Taking the Fight</i> Director Carlos Arrieta

BEST SONG	BEST SCREENPLAY
<p><b>(H.Kink - I'm nice like that) Dress Code Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER)</b>  <i>(Debra Gussin) You're a halo Submitter Debra Gussin</i>  <i>Visitant of Paris Director Jérémy Stroh</i></p>	<p><b>(Peter Panagos) Dress Code Director Joseph Pupello (WINNER)</b>  <i>(Jude Peter Damian) Saras Director Jude Peter Damian</i></p>
BEST ORIGINAL STORY	BEST SERIES PILOT SCRIPT
<p><b>Long Years Director Jason Huang (WINNER)</b>  <i>Wa Isjod Wa Iqtareb Directors Suraya AlShehry, Nabila Abuljadayel</i></p>	<p><b>Into The Mic Writer Tadiwa Greg Barwa (WINNER)</b>  <i>Tell me more Writer Tim Simmons</i></p>
BEST ACTION SCRIPT	BEST WAR SCRIPT
<p><b>The last ride of the Blood Brothers Writer Johnny Galvan (WINNER)</b></p>	<p><b>The Volunteer Writers Robert Allen Nelson, Jason Morwick (WINNER)</b></p>
GRAND JURY AWARDS	HONORABLE MENTIONS
<p><b>Sorceress Director Uziyao Tang (Student Director - Short)</b></p> <p><b>Monsters With Garlands Submitter Qi Yuan (Animation)</b></p> <p><b>(Debra Gussin) You're a halo Submitter Debra Gussin (Song)</b></p> <p><b>Telescope Director Nicolás Dimópulos (1st time Director - Short)</b></p>	<p><b>Visitant of Paris Director Jérémy Stroh (Indie Short)</b></p> <p><b>Sonja Director Sanela Prašović – Gadžo (Doc Feature)</b></p> <p><b>Preschool to Prison Director Dr. Karen Baptiste (Doc Short)</b></p> <p><b>Sleeping Beauty in the New Age Director Ji Yu (1st time Director – Short)</b></p> <p><b>A Breath of Fresh Air Director Destinee Easley (Short Film)</b></p> <p><b>(Jude Peter Damian) Saras Director Jude Peter Damian (Screenplay)</b></p> <p><b>The Sound of Violet Director Allen Wolf (Social Justice Film)</b></p> <p><b>Kite Director Toshida (Animation)</b></p> <p><b>Bold Director Myrriah Xochitl (Music Video)</b></p>