

NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS & WINNERS - AUGUST 2024

BEST FEATURE FILM

Persona Non Grata: Chiune Sugihara Director Cellin Gluck (WINNER)

115 Director Dave Huynh Macon
Don't Forget Me Director Gao Qi Sheng

BEST SHORT FILM

Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni (WINNER)
The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai
Broken Oud Director Abdulaziz Sarhan
Deep Red Water Director Danial Donai
Lucien Director Simon Catillon
Born Sinner Director Robert Greenwald
Belly Director Tommy Sigmon
Legacy of Sins Director PakShing Chow
The Change Directors Elizabeth B Sampson, Aaron Boyd

BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM

Belief Director Yitong (WINNER)
Hi Dad Director Yeonwoo Kim

BEST INDIE SHORT

The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER)
Daisy, it's your Birthday! Director Om Bidhalan
Belly Director Tommy Sigmon

BEST ANIMATION

John Death: Dying for a job Director Juan Rivera (WINNER)

BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

Cuba es Mi Patria: The Homeland I Keep Inside Director Rose Marie Perez (WINNER)
Unbankable Director Luke Willms
Chrigel Maurer – Der Überflieger Director Sven Allenbach
In Search of Edgar Allan Poe Director Andrew D. Kaplan
Semana Santa – Sevilla Director Marcos Ortega-Morales
Better Together: Furman's Championship Quest Director Richmond Weaver
Skategoat Director Van Alpert
Where the Horses Heal the Soul Director Twila LaBar

BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT

Mukuru is the Name Director Seungho Brian Park (WINNER)
God Is Light Director Nissim Khalifa
The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai
An Ordinary Day, Extraordinary People Director Jihu Choi
Mushroom's Quest Director Dave Johnson
City of Toys Director Alan Marcus
Shaolin Youth Directors Silai Yuan, Zehan Zheng

BEST STUDENT FILM

Would You Love Me? Director Tyler Andrew Gurdon (WINNER)
The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai
The Brother and Sister Duo Director Perry Feder
Bark Director Camille Blundell
Always Director Tianyun He
Belief Director Yitong
Left-Behind Children Director Yuanyuan Zhao
Rain that Swallowed the City Director Teiyoon Kim
Vanity's Despair Director Patames Tuntariyanond
Buddy Director Yeonwoo Kim
Checkmate Director Craig Alexander Cosentino

| BEST SILENT FILM | BEST EXPERIMENTAL FILM |
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| <p>Lucien Director Simon Catillon (WINNER)</p> | <p>Buddy Director Yeonwoo Kim (WINNER) <i>Breaking Out Director David Glass</i></p> |
| BEST AI FILM | BEST MUSIC VIDEO |
| <p>Error Director Chang Gi Lee (WINNER) <i>Ai P's & Q's Directors Aaron McGurk, Christopher Lapham</i> <i>Fire Walk With Me Director Rafael Beck</i> <i>A Dream about Film Director Guanyang Wu</i></p> | <p>A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren (WINNER)</p> |
| BEST ACTION FILM | BEST THRILLER FILM |
| <p>Ultimatum Director Timothy Nguyen (WINNER)</p> | <p>In My Sleep Director Allen Wolf (WINNER) <i>Fear Director Haritha Gogineni</i></p> |
| BEST SCI-FI FILM | BEST HORROR FILM |
| <p>Synesthesia - Chapter 2: Chromesthesia Director Wesley Trisnadi (WINNER)</p> | <p>Untersberg Director Marta Shkop (WINNER)</p> |
| BEST DRAMA FILM | BEST HISTORICAL FILM |
| <p>Not That Rich Director Chenyang Zhao (WINNER)</p> | <p>The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER)</p> |
| BEST MUSICAL FILM | BEST BIOGRAPHICAL FILM |
| <p>The Brother and Sister Duo Director Perry Feder (WINNER)</p> | <p>Mushroom's Quest Director Dave Johnson (WINNER)</p> |
| BEST ETHNOGRAPHIC FILM | BEST INSPIRATIONAL FILM |
| <p>The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER)</p> | <p>The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER) <i>Mushroom's Quest Director Dave Johnson</i> <i>Gierogi Appa Director Yeonwoo Kim</i> <i>Mukuru is the Name Director Seungho Brian Park</i></p> |

| BEST SPORT FILM | BEST DIRECTOR |
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| <p>Better Together: Furman's Championship Quest Director Richmond Weaver (WINNER)</p> | <p>The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER) <i>Lucien Director Simon Catillon</i> <i>A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren</i></p> |
| BEST 1ST TIME DIRECTOR | BEST STUDENT DIRECTOR |
| <p>Better Together: Furman's Championship Quest Director Richmond Weaver (WINNER - Feature) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni (WINNER - Short) <i>Sirens Director Lucy Willa Burnett</i> <i>Gloria Director Hope Martinez</i> <i>The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai</i> <i>The Song of the Bug Director Fengrui Tang</i> <i>A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren</i></p> | <p>The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER) <i>Left-Behind Children Director Yuanyuan Zhao</i> <i>The Box Director Yijing Lin</i> <i>XunXiang Director Yue Yue Huang</i> <i>Buddy Director Yeonwoo Kim</i> <i>Between Dreams Director Brynn Daigle</i></p> |
| BEST PRODUCER | BEST 1ST TIME PRODUCER |
| <p>(Sabrina Ren) A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren (WINNER)</p> | <p>(Sheel Yerneni, Ankita Nayak, Mike Canale) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni (WINNER) <i>(Eddie Clay Thompkins III, Oltha Brittenum Thompson) Mushroom's Quest Director Dave Johnson</i> <i>(Sabrina Ren) A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren</i></p> |
| BEST ACTOR | BEST ACTRESS |
| <p>(Simon Catillon) Lucien Director Simon Catillon (WINNER)</p> | <p>(Zhang Xin Yu) Don't Forget Me Director Gao Qi Sheng (WINNER) <i>(Sheel Yerneni) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni</i></p> |
| BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR | BEST ACTING ENSEMBLE |
| <p>(Adam Davenport) Heroes of Halyard Director Rados Bajic (WINNER)</p> | <p>The Change Directors Elizabeth B Sampson, Aaron Boyd (WINNER)</p> |
| BEST MONOLOGUE | BEST CHILD ACTRESS |
| <p>(Sarah Kopp) Belly Director Tommy Sigmon (WINNER)</p> | <p>(Jasmine Ozden) A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren (WINNER)</p> |
| BEST COSTUMES | BEST VISUAL EFFECTS |
| <p>(Sheel Yerneni) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni (WINNER)</p> | <p>(Wesley Trisnadi) Synesthesia - Chapter 2: Chromesthesia Director Wesley Trisnadi (WINNER)</p> |

| BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY | BEST MAKE-UP |
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| (Mike Canale) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni (WINNER) | (Livia Havens) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni (WINNER) |
| BEST SOUNDTRACK | BEST SONG |
| <p>(Amaury Laurent Bernier) Totem Submitter Amaury Laurent Bernier (WINNER)</p> <p>(Stefano Di Perna) Death to Platitudes Submitter Øyvind Olav Sydow Kleiveland (Antonin Urruty) New Squam City Director Quentin Trélet Lacoste Submitter Tiffany Chui</p> | <p>(Debra Gussin, Rik Howard, Marcello Vieira) Is That You? Submitter Debra Gussin (WINNER)</p> <p>(Amaury Laurent Bernier) Totem Submitter Amaury Laurent Bernier (Sabrina Ren) A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren</p> |
| BEST SOUND DESIGN | BEST DRONE VIDEO |
| (Wesley Trisnadi) Synesthesia - Chapter 2: Chromesthesia Director Wesley Trisnadi (WINNER) | Buddy Director Yeonwoo Kim (WINNER) |
| BEST EDITING | BEST ORIGINAL STORY |
| (Wesley Trisnadi) Synesthesia - Chapter 2: Chromesthesia Director Wesley Trisnadi (WINNER) | <p>(Qintong Dai) The Sound of Crossing History Director Qintong Dai (WINNER)</p> <p>(Rose Marie Perez) Cuba es Mi Patria: The Homeland I Keep Inside Director Rose Marie Perez (Sheel Yerneni, Roshni Rekha) Moksha Director Sheel Yerneni</p> |
| BEST POSTER | BEST SERIES PILOT SCRIPT |
| Breaking Out Director David Glass (WINNER) | Birthright Writer Michael Hutchinson (WINNER) |
| BEST SHORT SCRIPT | BEST FAN SCRIPT |
| <p>Scoops Writer Ross Greenlees (WINNER)</p> <p>Ever After Writers Oksana Prysiazhniuk, Nataliia T. Verdokhlib Vegans Writer Matthew James Sullivan</p> | The Tales of Dread Pirate Roberts Writer Mike Ede (WINNER) |
| BEST 1ST TIME SCREENWRITER | |
| <p>Private Fire Writer Kirt Allen Shineman (WINNER - Feature)</p> <p>Not a single soul Writer Kseniia Ivanova (WINNER - Short)</p> <p>Scoops Writer Ross Greenlees</p> | |

GRAND JURY AWARDS

Vegans Writer Matthew James Sullivan
(Short Script)

Deep Red Water Director Danial Donai
(Short Film)

Don't Forget Me Director Gao Qi Sheng
(Feature Film)

Left-Behind Children Director Yuanyuan Zhao
(Student Director – Short)

Where the Horses Heal the Soul Director Twila LaBar
(Doc Feature)

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Chrigel Maurer – Der Überflieger Director Sven Allenbach
(Doc Feature)

The Song of the Bug Director Fengrui Tang
(1st Time Director – Short)

(Eddie Clay Thompkins III, Oltha Brittenum Thompson) **Mush-
room's Quest** Director Dave Johnson (1st time Producer)

God Is Light Director Nissim Khalifa
(Doc Short)

Belly Director Tommy Sigmon
(Indie Short)

Rain that Swallowed the City Director Teiyoon Kim
(Student Film)

Legacy of Sins Director PakShing Chow
(Short Film)

A Dream In the Sahā World Director Sabrina Ren
(Director Short)

115 Director Dave Huynh Macon
(Feature Film)

Gierogi Appa Director Yeonwoo Kim
(Inspirational Film)