

# NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS - FEBRUARY 2025

## BEST SHORT FILM

The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev  
 The Lost Camp Director Connor Etter  
 Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young  
 Roulette Director Owen Warren  
 Gold Lock Director Jun Lu  
 Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim

## BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM

Ten Thousand Director Stella Moira Atmadja  
 Street Vendor Director Stella Moira Atmadja  
 Joss Director Anxin Xie

## BEST SERIES PILOT

The Odd Double Director Xavier Ortiz

## BEST ANIMATION

The Legend of Sepehr Directors Emad Rahmani, Mehrdad Mehrabi Gargari  
 To Be Director Maurizio Forestioeri  
 The Light in the Dark Submitter Yudoten Chiu  
 Matilda and the Brave Escape Director Ash Reed  
 Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young  
 Colorfast Submitter Jaemyung Lee  
 The Human Fossil Director Rebecca Huang  
 One Hundred Thousand Light Years Between You and Me  
 Director Sixuan Huang

## BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

Facing the Unknown - emergency preparedness Director Dieter Grohmann  
 Shards Director Sara Broos  
 The Absolutely Amazing, Wonderful, Frightening, Threatening Edge of Tomorrow Directors Springna Zhao, Hayden McComas  
 Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan  
 Bruno: A Portrait Director James David Spellman  
 The Battle for Kyiv Director Oz Katerji

## BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT

The Dragon from Koseze Director Mark Pirc  
 Anonymous Heroes Director Daniel Lutz  
 Roma WWF Superstar to Teacher: A Mini Documentary Directors Patrick Civitelli, Ethan Chaplinski  
 Rucker in the Dark Director Joel Linger  
 A Way Out Director Rachel Lynn Melvald  
 Namu's Vacation Director Hu Anni  
 Because Of My Voice: Future Perfect Records Live at Joe's Pub  
 Directors Ryan Amador, Emma Jayne Seslowsky, Lucy Gamades  
 The Bird and the Bee: Satire, Social Media, and Censorship  
 Director Matthew Pirrall

## BEST STUDENT FILM

Street Vendor Director Stella Moira Atmadja  
 Gift Director Zhiyin Peng  
 Ten Thousand Director Stella Moira Atmadja  
 Invitation Director Makamae  
 Roma WWF Superstar to Teacher: A Mini Documentary Directors Patrick Civitelli, Ethan Chaplinski  
 Symptoms of Melancholy Director Rose Luczaj

## BEST SILENT FILM

River Promenade Director Max Li  
 Solace Directors Matthew Mckenzie, Dios Mac, Ivan Edgardo Aviles

BEST EXPERIMENTAL FILM	BEST AI FILM
<p><b>Stoned for Christmas</b> Director Morgan Young  <b>Blood Father</b> Director Christopher McGuinness</p>	<p><b>The Bounty Hunter</b> Director Ion Kion  <b>Test Strike</b> Director Pavlo Karusenko  <b>Animal Fashion Trend</b> by Cre-X Lab</p>
BEST MUSIC VIDEO	BEST TRAILER
<p><b>Country Couture</b> Director Dustin J Robison  <b>Cloud</b> Director Yunxi Hao  <b>Faces</b> Submitter Dom Scott  <b>Not Bad</b> Director Zoe Peng</p>	<p><b>Stoned for Christmas</b> Director Morgan Young</p>
BEST COMMERCIAL	BEST COMEDY FILM
<p><b>Gift A Feeling</b> Director Alex Fouquet</p>	<p><b>Stoned for Christmas</b> Director Morgan Young  <b>Lovers &amp; Fools</b> Directors Bruno Ferreira, Marie-Louise Boisnier  <b>PAPmusic - Animation for Fashion</b> Director Leikié</p>
BEST THRILLER FILM	BEST SCI-FI FILM
<p><b>Maaya Prapanch</b> Director Jayjit Narendrabhai Mahavir</p>	<p><b>Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody</b> Submitter Susan Lim</p>
BEST DRAMA FILM	BEST MUSICAL FILM
<p><b>Belleville</b> Director Béla Baptiste  <b>The Last Wish</b> Director Ilya Noyabrev</p>	<p><b>Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody</b> Submitter Susan Lim  <b>Stoned for Christmas</b> Director Morgan Young</p>
BEST FAN FILM	BEST LGBTQ FILM
<p><b>A-Train: New Beginnings Part Deux</b> Directors Chris Carthern, Chong Ahn</p>	<p><b>Stoned for Christmas</b> Director Morgan Young</p>
BEST BIOGRAPHICAL FILM	BEST INSPIRATIONAL FILM
<p><b>Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith</b> Director Tracy Egan  <b>Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody</b> Submitter Susan Lim</p>	<p><b>Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith</b> Director Tracy Egan  <b>Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody</b> Submitter Susan Lim  <b>Blood Father</b> Director Christopher McGuinness</p>

BEST SPORT FILM	BEST DIRECTOR
<p><b>Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan</b></p>	<p><b>The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev</b>  <b>The Prime Minister vs. The Blob: Liz Truss's 44 Days in Office</b>  <b>Director Michael Pack</b>  <b>Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch</b>  <b>Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</b>  <b>Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim</b></p>
BEST 1ST TIME DIRECTOR	BEST STUDENT DIRECTOR
<p><b>PAPmusic - Animation for Fashion Director Leikié</b>  <b>The Dragon from Koseze Director Mark Pirc</b>  <b>Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan</b>  <b>The Lost Camp Director Connor Etter</b>  <b>Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</b></p>	<p><b>Mayor! Director Mazen Abukhalaf</b>  <b>Invitation Director Makamae</b></p>
BEST PRODUCER	BEST 1ST TIME PRODUCER
<p><b>(Morgan Young) Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</b>  <b>(Julie Anne Burch) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch</b>  <b>(Celeste A. Bateman) Stronger Than Steel: The Senator Wynona</b>  <b>Lipman Story Director Celeste A. Bateman</b>  <b>(Mark Pirc, Matej Avanzo, Goran Dragić) The Dragon from Koseze</b>  <b>Director Mark Pirc</b></p>	<p><b>(Leikié) PAPmusic - Animation for Fashion Director Leikié</b>  <b>(Morgan Young) Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</b>  <b>(Springna Zhao) The Absolutely Amazing, Wonderful, Frightening, Threatening</b>  <b>Edge of Tomorrow Directors Springna Zhao, Hayden McComas</b>  <b>(Ellen Golbranson) Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan</b>  <b>(Erin Elizabeth) Invitation Director Makamae</b></p>
BEST ACTOR	BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR
<p><b>(Igor Rubashkin) The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev</b></p>	<p><b>(Mykhailo Kukuyuk) The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev</b></p>
BEST ACTING DUO	BEST MONOLOGUE
<p><b>(Igor Rubashkin, Mykhailo Kukuyuk) The Last Wish Director</b>  <b>Ilya Noyabrev</b></p>	<p><b>(Charlie Lockwood) And I Stay Directors Courtney Kiolbassa</b>  <b>Talty, Jp Kiolbasa Talty</b></p>
BEST CHILD ACTOR	BEST VOICE OVER
<p><b>(Cyrus Salmon) Invitation Director Makamae</b></p>	<p><b>(Paula Cianci) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch</b>  <b>(Kenny Loui) Fashion Police V - Part 1: What is Fashion? Director</b>  <b>Dexta Getgood</b>  <b>(Sara Broos) Shards Director Sara Broos</b>  <b>(Susan Lim) Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim</b></p>

BEST COSTUMES	BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY
<p>(Maria Noyabrova) The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev</p>	<p>(Sara Broos) Shards Director Sara Broos  (Dmitry Sergeevich Borzykin) Retreat Directors Tatyana Konov-  alova, Magda Gron  Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch  (David Layton) Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan  (Joshua Clark) Invitation Director Makamae</p>
BEST SOUNDTRACK	BEST MAIN THEME
<p>(Manu Martin) Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim  (Sara Broos) Shards Director Sara Broos  (Peter Roper Curzon) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch</p>	<p>(Peter Roper Curzon) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch</p>
BEST SONG	BEST SOUND DESIGN
<p>(Joi Barua, Ron J. Danziger, Matthieu Eymard, Manu Martin) Liftoff :  the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim  (Peter Roper Curzon) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch  (Senerio Baptiste) Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young  (Strefanie R. Minatee) Stronger Than Steel: The Senator Wynona  Lipman Story Director Celeste A. Bateman</p>	<p>(Sara Broos) Shards Director Sara Broos  Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch  (Carter Mangan Jr.) Stronger Than Steel: The Senator Wynona  Lipman Story Director Celeste A. Bateman</p>
BEST DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY	BEST SCREENPLAY
<p>(Mia Sommer) Symptom of Life Director Mia Sommer</p>	<p>(Rebekah Page) Invitation Director Makamae</p>
BEST ORIGINAL STORY	BEST POSTER
<p>(Julie Anne Burch) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch  (Semen Khanin) The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev  (Tracy Egan) Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan  (Susan Lim) Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim</p>	<p>Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</p>
BEST FEATURE SCRIPT	BEST SERIES PILOT SCRIPT
<p>Delaney Writers Nathan E Wells, DJ Stroud  American Money Submitter Timothy A McGhee</p>	<p>Corporate America Writer Travis Lee Davidson</p>

BEST DARK COMEDY SCRIPT	BEST ROMANCE SCRIPT
<p align="center"><b>Short Thin Lines Writer Martha Millan</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Tom and the Sagittarius Writer Brian Karre</b></p>
BEST MUSICAL SCRIPT	BEST INSPIRATIONAL SCRIPT
<p align="center"><b>Pippin &amp; Lulu Writer Linda Federico-Omurchu All that Glitters Writers Mike Meier, Peter Giambalvo</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>The Real Santa Story Writers Frank Mancuso, Nick Trombetta</b></p>
BEST STUDENT SCREENWRITER	BEST ORIGINAL SCRIPT
<p align="center"><b>A Chance To Say Goodbye Writers Tulika Dinda, Flint Louis, Jagadeesh S.</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Delaney Writers Nathan E Wells, DJ Stroud</b></p>