

NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS & WINNERS - FEBRUARY 2025

BEST SHORT FILM	BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM
<p>The Last Wish Director Ilya Noyabrev (WINNER) <i>The Lost Camp Director Connor Etter</i> <i>Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</i> <i>Roulette Director Owen Warren</i> <i>Gold Lock Director Jun Lu</i> <i>Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim</i></p>	<p>Ten Thousand Director Stella Moira Atmadja (WINNER) <i>Street Vendor Director Stella Moira Atmadja</i> <i>Joss Director Anxin Xie</i></p>
BEST SERIES PILOT	BEST ANIMATION
<p>The Odd Double Director Xavier Ortiz (WINNER)</p>	<p>The Legend of Sepehr Directors Emad Rahmani, Mehrdad Mehrabi Gargari (WINNER) <i>To Be Director Maurizio Forestioeri</i> <i>The Light in the Dark Submitter Yudoten Chiu</i> <i>Matilda and the Brave Escape Director Ash Reed</i> <i>Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young</i> <i>Colorfast Submitter Jaemyung Lee</i> <i>The Human Fossil Director Rebecca Huang</i> <i>One Hundred Thousand Light Years Between You and Me Director Sixuan Huang</i></p>
BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE	BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT
<p>Facing the Unknown - emergency preparedness Director Dieter Grohmann (WINNER) <i>Shards Director Sara Broos</i> <i>The Absolutely Amazing, Wonderful, Frightening, Threatening Edge of Tomorrow Directors Springna Zhao, Hayden McComas</i> <i>Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan</i> <i>Bruno: A Portrait Director James David Spellman</i> <i>The Battle for Kyiv Director Oz Katerji</i></p>	<p>The Dragon from Koseze Director Mark Pirc (WINNER) <i>Anonymous Heroes Director Daniel Lutz</i> <i>Roma WWF Superstar to Teacher: A Mini Documentary Directors Patrick Civitelli, Ethan Chaplinski</i> <i>Rucker in the Dark Director Joel Linger</i> <i>A Way Out Director Rachel Lynn Melvald</i> <i>Namu's Vacation Director Hu Anni</i> <i>Because Of My Voice: Future Perfect Records Live at Joe's Pub Directors Ryan Amador, Emma Jayne Seslowsky, Lucy Gamades</i> <i>The Bird and the Bee: Satire, Social Media, and Censorship Director Matthew Pirrall</i></p>
BEST STUDENT FILM	BEST SILENT FILM
<p>Street Vendor Director Stella Moira Atmadja (WINNER) <i>Gift Director Zhiyin Peng</i> <i>Ten Thousand Director Stella Moira Atmadja</i> <i>Invitation Director Makamae</i> <i>Roma WWF Superstar to Teacher: A Mini Documentary Directors Patrick Civitelli, Ethan Chaplinski</i> <i>Symptoms of Melancholy Director Rose Luczaj</i></p>	<p>River Promenade Director Max Li (WINNER) <i>Solace Directors Matthew Mckenzie, Dios Mac, Ivan Edgardo Aviles</i></p>

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

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

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

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

GRAND JURY AWARDS**HONORABLE MENTIONS**

(Peter Roper Curzon) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch (Soundtrack)

Lovers & Fools Directors Bruno Ferreira, Marie-Louise Boisnier (Comedy Film)

Cloud Director Yunxi Hao (Music Video)

(Strefanie R. Minatee) Stronger Than Steel: The Senator Wynona Lipman Story Director Celeste A. Bateman (Song)

Matilda and the Brave Escape Director Ash Reed (Animation)

The Lost Camp Director Connor Etter (1st Time Director – Short)

(Julie Anne Burch) Tiny Teaching Tales Director Julie Anne Burch (Producer)

Roma WWF Superstar to Teacher: A Mini Documentary Directors Patrick Civitelli, Ethan Chaplinski (Student Film)

Stoned for Christmas Director Morgan Young (Director – Short)

American Money Submitter Timothy A McGhee (Feature Script)

Shards Director Sara Broos (Voice Over)

(Springna Zhao) The Absolutely Amazing, Wonderful, Frightening, Threatening Edge of Tomorrow Directors Springna Zhao, Hayden McComas (1st Time Producer)

(Carter Mangan Jr.) Stronger Than Steel: The Senator Wynona Lipman Story Director Celeste A. Bateman (Sound Design)

All that Glitters Writers Mike Meier, Peter Giambalvo (Musical Script)

Phillip Dutton: Leap of Faith Director Tracy Egan (1st Time Director – Feature)

Invitation Director Makamae (Student Director – Short)

(Susan Lim) Liftoff : the Cosmic Rhapsody Submitter Susan Lim (Original Story)

Blood Father Director Christopher McGuinness (Inspirational Film)

The Bird and the Bee: Satire, Social Media, and Censorship Director Matthew Pirrall (Doc Short)