WINNERS OF THE 28th ANNUAL FLICKERFEST AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The 28th annual FLiCKERFEST International and Australian awards were announced this evening at a star-studded ceremony at the Bondi Pavilion, Bondi Beach. Attended by celebrated guests from the Australian and the International film industry, the Closing Night ceremony honored the esteemed entrants in this year's competition. FLiCKERFEST's Academy® Accredited Awards, including Flickerfest Award for Best International Short Film, Yoram Gross Award for Best International Animation, Virgin Australia Award for Best Australian Short Film & Flickerfest Award for Best Documentary. The Flickerfest Short Film Awards continue to cement the festivals global position as a leading International Short film festival on the world stage. Following the ceremony, a selection of award-winning films screened before the Closing Night Party took place.

And the winners are:

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

Flickerfest Award for Best International Short Film (Academy® Accredited)
Phone Duty (Russian Federation)
Writer/Director: Lenar Kamalov
Producer: Lenar Kamalov and Natalia Frovolova

Special Jury Prize
The Mandarin Tree (Germany)
Writers: Cengiz Akaygün, Duc-Thi Bui
Director: Cengiz Akaygün
Producer: Philipp Lutz

Yoram Gross Award for Best International Short Animation (Academy® Accredited)
Flowing Through Wonder (France)
Writer/Director: Joana Lurie and Jean –Marc Bouzigues
Producer Christian Pfohl

SAE Creative Media Institute Award for Best Use of Digital Technology in a Short Film
Between The Shadows (Portugal)
Writer/Director Mónica Santos and Alice Guimarães
Producers: Nuno Amorim, Vanessa Ventura, Jean-François Le Corre,
Mathieu Courtois and Pedro Medeiros

European Delegation in Australia Award for Best EU Short Film
Best Game Ever (Hungary)
Writer/director: Kristóf Deák
Producers: László Dreissiger, Anna Udvardy, Gábor Osváth

INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTARY COMPETITION AWARD WINNER

Flickerfest Award for Best Short Documentary Film (Academy® Accredited)
The Unconditional (United States)
Director: Dave Adams , Writer: Matt Cascella
Producer: Dave Adams, Adam Soltis, Renee Woodruff Adams, Chris Tuss

Special Mention for Documentary
Hamama & Caluna (Switzerland)
Writer/Director: Andreas Anuuk Mugli
Producer: Edith Fluckinger

AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

Virgin Australia Award for Best Australian Short Film, (Academy® Accredited)
Yulubidyi - Until The End
Writer/Director: Nathan Mewett and Curtis Taylor
Producer: Glen Stasiuk

Canon Award for Best Direction in an Australian Short Film
Tangles and Knots
Writer/Director: Renée Marie Petropoulos
Producer: Janet Brown and Yingna Lu

Yoram Gross Award for Best Australian Short Animation
Della Mortika: Carousel Of Shame
Director: Marisa Martin
Writer Geraldine Martin
Producer: Marisa and Geraldine Martin

John Barry Award for Best Cinematography in an Australian Short Film
Nursery Rhymes
Cinematographer: Aaron McLisky

Avid Award for Best Editing in an Australian Short Film
All These Creatures
Editor: Dan Lee and Charles Williams

Special mention
Birdie
Editor: Danielle Boesenberg

Avid Award for Best Original Music in an Australian Short Film
Sleepwalking
Composer: Jed Palmer

Rebel8 Award for Outstanding Emerging Female Director In honor of Samantha Rebillet:
Calling
Writer/Director Miley Tunnecliffe

FLiCKERFEST's Festival Director BRONWYN KIDD has said: We are thrilled that the 2019 festival has been such a success with record crowds and great enthusiasm expressed for the programmes screened. It's great to see short film so warmly embraced by audiences across our ten-day event. I would like to congratulate all of the films selected for Flickerfest in competition this year and all of tonight's award winners.