



FLICKERFEST 2021

30TH INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

Festival: 22nd - 31st January 2021, Bondi Beach Lawn Outdoor Cinema and 'The Famous Spiegelent'

North Park Beachfront, Bondi Beach, NSW, 2026

Tour: February - October 2021, 45 Venues Australia-wide

PRESS RELEASE

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WINNERS OF THE 30th ANNUAL FLICKERFEST AWARDS ANNOUNCED

After a highly successful 10 day COVID safe film festival at Bondi the 30th annual FLICKERFEST International and Australian awards were announced this evening at a star-studded ceremony in The Famous Spiegelent, Bondi Beach. Attended by celebrated guests from the Australian film industry, the Closing Night ceremony honored the esteemed entrants in this year's competition and FLICKERFEST's Academy® Qualifying Awards, including Flickerfest Award for Best International Short Film, Yoram Gross Award for Best International Animation, Panasonic Lumix Award for Best Australian Short Film & Flickerfest Award for Best Documentary. The Flickerfest Short Film Awards continue to cement the festival's 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.

Flickerfest will now hit the road on a 45 venue national tour to all states and territories across Australia.

And the winners are:

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

Flickerfest Award for Best International Short Film (Academy® Accredited)

Winner: The Present (Palestine)

Writer/Director: Farah Nabulsi | Writer: Hind Shoufani, Farah Nabulsi | Producer: Ossama Bawardi

Special Jury Prize

Winner: Girl With A Thermal Gun (China)

Writer/Director: Rongfei Guo | Producers: Du Yating

Yoram Gross Award for Best International Short Animation (Academy® Accredited)

Winner: Normal (France)

Writer/Director: Julie Caty | Producer: Ron Dyens

SAE Creative Media Institute Award for Best Use of Digital Technology in a Short Film

Winner: Masel Tov Cocktail (Germany)

Director: Arkadij Khaet, Mickey Paatzsch | Writer: Arkadij Khaet, Marle Kirchhoff | Producer: Ludwig Meck, Lotta Schmelzer, Christine Duttlinger

AZURE Productions Award for Best Rainbow Short Film

Winner: Dustin (France)

Writer/Director: Naila Guiguet | Producer: Jean-Etienne Brat, Lou Chicoteau

Special Mention: Cwch Deilen (UK)

Director/Writer: Efa Blosser-mason | Producer: Amy Morris



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INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTARY COMPETITION AWARD WINNER

Flickerfest Award for Best Short Documentary Film (Academy® Accredited)

Winner: 57 Days (Spain)

Writer/Director: Mario Lumbreras, Laura Brasero | Producer: Hernán Zin, Nerea Barros

Special Mention for Documentary:

Huntsville Station (USA)

Director/Producer/Writer: Jamie Meltzer, Chris Filippone

Special Mention for Documentary:

We Have One Heart (Poland)

Director/Writer: Katarzyna Warzecha | Producer: Ewa Jastrzębska

AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

Panasonic Lumix Award For Australian (Academy® Accredited) Short Film

Winner: The Flame

Director: Nick Waterman in collaboration with Dayannah Baker Barlow, Tyrese Fernando & Lance Whitton Jr. | Writer: Nick Waterman, Megan Washington, Dayannah Baker Barlow, Tyrese Fernando, Paul Spearim, Connie Taylor, Lance Whitton Jr. | Producer: Beyond Empathy

Spectrum Films Award for Best Direction in an Australian Short Film

Winner: This River

Director: Naomi Fryer

Yoram Gross Award for Best Australian Short Animation

Winner: Roborovski

Director: Tilda Cobham-Hervey, Dev Patel | Producer: Tilda Cobham-Hervey, Dev Patel, John Collee | Writer: Jomon Tomas, Tilda Cobham-Hervey, Dev Patel

John Barry Award for Best Cinematography in an Australian Short Film

Winner: Soulmate

Cinematographer: Kieran Fowler

Avid Award for Best Editing in an Australian Short Film

Winner: This Town Ain't Big Enough For The Both Of Us

Editor: D.C. Fairhurst

Avid Award for Best Original Music in an Australian Short Film

Winner: The End, The Beginning

Composer: Jorde Heys

Rebel8 Award for Outstanding Emerging Female Director In honor of Samantha Rebillet

Winner: Alisha Hnatjuk (*Jean*)

Special Mention: Rebel8 Award for Outstanding Emerging Female Director In honor of Samantha Rebillet: Senie Priti (*Alba*)





SAE FLICKERUP COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

SAE Creative Media Institute FlickerUp Award Best High School Short Film

Winner: Round To It

Director/Producer: Grace Mincherton | Producer: Steve McLeod

Special Mention: Material Girl

Director/Writer/Producer: Lillian Dight

Yoram Gross FlickerUp Award Best High School Animated Short Film

Winner: Mind Of My Own

Director/Writer/Producer: Natalie Leroy

Avid FlickerUp Award Best Editing in a High School Short Film

Winner: La Torta

Director/Writer: Gabrielle Gregoire, Olivia Lawson

Special Mention: The Diet

Director/Writer/Producer: Beau Ritchie

PS Organics FlickerUp Award Best Primary School Short Film

Winner: I Will Be Me

Director/Writer: Claire Davison, Caitlin Jones, Bella Parsons | Producer: Table Cape Primary School

Special Mention: The Candy Rappers

Director/Writer: Agam | Producer: Eliza Johnson

Special Mention: The Chase

Director/Writer: Riley McIlveen Webb | Producer: Riley McIlveen Webb, Siobhan McIlveen Webb

FLICKERFEST's Festival Director BRONWYN KIDD has said: We are thrilled that the 2021 festival has been such a success with enthusiastic crowds and great enthusiasm expressed for the programmes screened. It's been great to see short films so warmly embraced by audiences across our ten-day event despite the challenges of COVID and its impact on the arts. I would like to congratulate all of the films selected for Flickerfest in competition this year and all of tonight's award winners.

