



12TH ANNUAL CHELSEA FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES ITS 2024 AWARD WINNERS

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Chelsea, NY — The 12th Annual Edition of Chelsea Film Festival announces its list of winners listed below by award category. **It introduced both American and Foreign films to the public.**

The Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) held its 2024 edition in-person from October 16th-20th at Regal Cinemas Union Square and online through FilmFestival+ (bit.ly/ONLINECFFPASS) until October 31st.

NARRATIVE FEATURE AWARD WINNERS

Grand Prix Award for Best Picture – THE CITY by Amit Ulman

Best Director – THE CITY by Amit Ulman

Best Actress – Moira Akous in THE CITY

Best Actor – Rafael Silva in THE COMPATRIOTS

Best Cinematography – Denson Baker for MOUNTAIN BOY

Audience Award – BEYOND THE RUSH by Robert John Sayegh

Honorable Mention – AND ON THE EIGHTH DAY by Alexandra Chando

Best Young Actor – Naser Salah in MOUNTAIN BOY

US NARRATIVE SHORT AWARD WINNERS

Petite Prix for Best Short Film – THE LAKE IN THE SKY by Caleb Reese Paul

Best Actress – Olivia Cohen in NEVER GETTING RID OF ME, BITCH

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Best Actor – Isaiah Aldridge in WORKS OF MERCY

Best Animation – RED by Madison Elizabeth Lin

Best Cinematography – John Carrington for HAVEN

Audience Award – BEHIND THE LINE by Vinay M. Umapathy

INTERNATIONAL SHORT AWARD WINNERS

Petite Prix for Best Short Film – A GOOD DAY WILL COME by Amir Zargara

Best Actress – Haras Yaron in FRENCH

Best Actor – Etienne Galoo in SWEET, DEAR FAMILY

Best Animation – FLAME by C'drik Fremont

Best Cinematography – GOOD FRIDAY by Ethel Jagolkowski Kfir

DOCUMENTARY AWARD WINNERS

Best Documentary Feature – SONO LINO by Jacob Patrick

Best Documentary Short – THE FINAL COPY OF ILON SPECHT by Ben Proudfoot

Audience Award – TORN by Nim Shapira

INDIE EPISODIC WINNERS

Best Indie Episodic – IN THE PAINT by Jonathan Cipiti

Audience Award – PROTECTED SPACE by Anna Fatahov

CFF was founded by actresses Ingrid & Sonia Jean-Baptiste to give voices to the unheard by providing a platform to independent films and discovering new talents.

Chelsea Film Festival Board of Directors consists of renowned industry insiders: Paul Calderon, Elizabeth Kemp, Pascal Chemin and John Patrick Shanley.

The Advisory Board includes Aaron Pierce, Bruno Chatelin, Kiki Lambden-Stout, Michael Ruotolo and Lawrence M. Kay.

Our Mission: Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) - 501(c)(3) non-profit cultural organization - is an international film festival, enlightening the work of emerging filmmakers, producers, and actors. It offers a wide range of films, such as shorts, documentaries, and feature-length pieces. It empowers the work of risk-taking storytellers and remains committed to its mission to discover and develop independent artists and audiences around the world.

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