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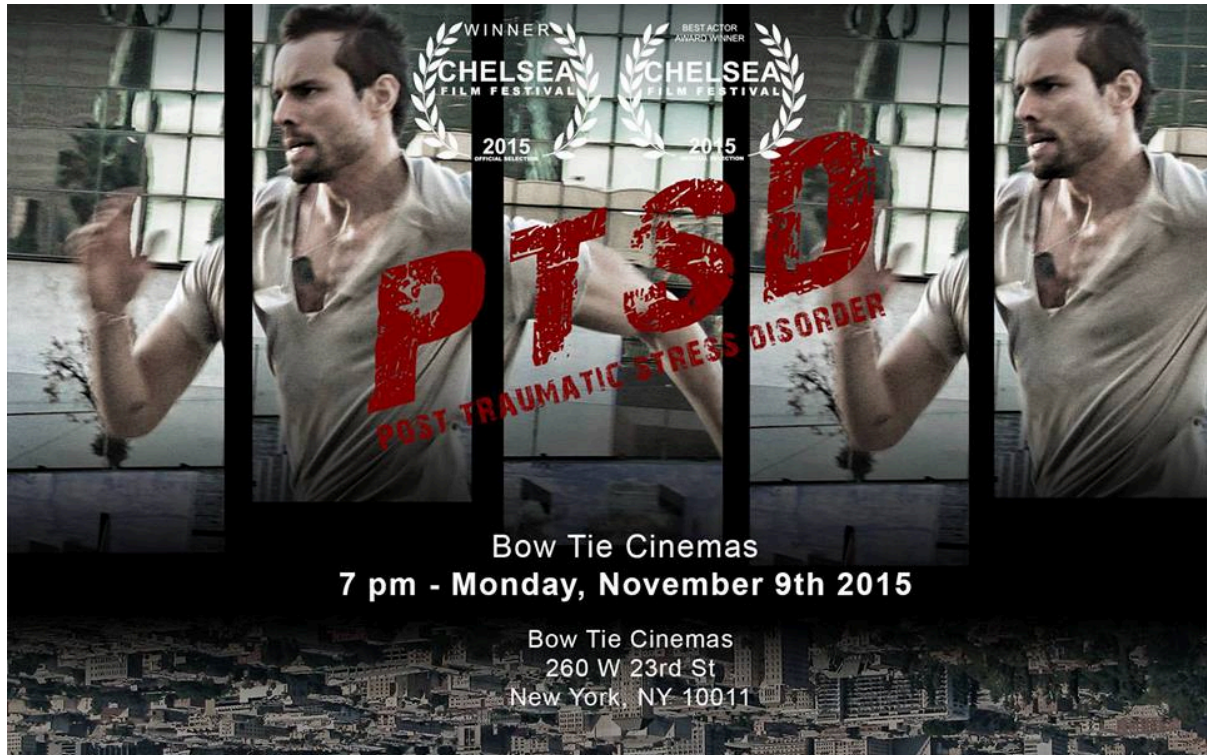
CHELSEA FILM FESTIVAL 2015 GRAND PRIX & PETITE PRIX AWARD WINNERS

Chelsea, NY — The Chelsea Film Festival announced the 2015 winners this past Sunday, October 18th at the SVA Theatre in the heart of Chelsea.

The Closing Awards Ceremony was hosted by CFF Founder and Director Ingrid Jean-Baptiste, who reminded the importance of the Festival's mission: "The Festival's mission is to discover emerging directors from around the world and be an international platform for independent filmmaking. It has been a very successful year. The Chelsea Film Festival received over a thousand submissions. Sixty-six films were selected, nineteen feature-lengths and forty-seven shorts. Over the course of four days, 10 World, 33 US and 19 NY Premieres have been presented. Tonight, only ten feature-lengths are part of the competition."

The Grand Prix & Petite Prix Awards were distributed by reputed movie industry insiders: Ingrid Jean-Baptiste and Sonia Jean-Baptiste, Founders of the Chelsea Film Festival.

The Grand Prix Winner was offered a **\$10,000 Gift Certificate by Panavision.**



CFF GRAND PRIX Award (Best Feature Film) was presented by CFF Founder & Director, Ingrid Jean-Baptiste.

- **P.T.S.D** (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) by Cedric Godin

Nominations for the Grand Prix Award:

- **DRAWERS** by Caner Alper and Mehmet Binay
- **FLYTRAP** by Stephen David Brooks
- **P.T.S.D** by Cedric Godin

BEST ACTOR Award presented by Paul Calderon

- Jason Lopez for **P.T.S.D** by Cedric Godin



The Petite Prix Winner was offered a **\$5,000 Gift Certificate by Panavision.**



CFF PETITE PRIX Award (Best Short Film) was presented by CFF Co-Founder & Director, Sonia Jean-Baptiste.

- **BELIEVE** by Paul Mignot

Nominations for the Petite Prix Award:

- **BELIEVE** by Paul Mignot
- **FRENCH TOUCH** by Xiaoxing Cheng
- **JEANNE** by Nicolas Khamsopha

BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY Award presented by Paul Calderon

- Jacques Ballard, Matias Boucard & Baptiste Gautier for **BELIEVE** by Paul Mignot



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, and John Patrick Shanley.

The Advisory Board includes: Bruno Chatelin, Georges Leclere, Jeff Bandman, Pascal Chemin, Michel Abramowicz, Michael Ruotolo, Pascal Bonifay, Patrick Braoude, Ron Agam, Thandeka Zwana, Thembi Mtshali-Jones, Wissam Chahine and more.

The Chelsea Film Festival program will highlight international feature-length, short films and documentaries from independent or emerging filmmakers. The Third Edition of the Chelsea Film Festival will focus on "Women in Film & Media", and will introduce foreign films to the public.

As Ingrid Jean-Baptiste, Founder of The Chelsea Film Festival, stated:

“Making the World a Better Place by Giving a Voice to the Unheard”

The Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) will hold its third edition in New York from **October 15-18th, 2015** at the SVA Theatre, Katie Murphy Amphitheatre (FIT), David Dubinsky Student Center (FIT) and other locations in Manhattan.

Our Mission:

The **Chelsea Film Institute** is a registered **501(c)(3)** non-profit cultural organization that helps expose the underprivileged youth in Chelsea, NYC to the arts. Throughout the year, CFI offers free Arts classes to these economically disadvantaged children.

Chelsea Film Festival (CFF) 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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