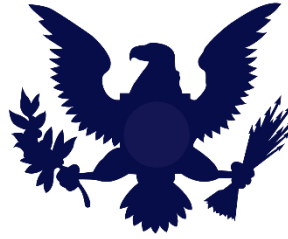


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## **The United States Presidential Service Center, International Film Festival, and PRESIDENTIAL Magazine announce two winners of the The James Madison Award for Authors & Books**

**Grover, NC, USA** – The United States Presidential Service Center® International Film Festival (USPSC IFF) proudly marks another year of recognizing exceptional films from around the globe. With esteemed leadership from Chairperson Prince Kojo Hilton of Ghana and internationally recognized Charlene Doak-Gebaurer of Canada, the festival continues to serve as a premier showcase for cinematic storytelling that educates, inspires, and moves audiences.

This year, USPSC IFF expanded its vision by celebrating not only film but also literature, acknowledging the deep connection between the written word and the silver screen. Many of the world's most compelling films originate from books, and to honor this vital relationship, we were

proud to introduce **The USPSC James Madison Award for Authors & Books™** in 2024. This distinguished award recognizes outstanding literary works that have the potential to inspire films, influence global conversations, and leave a lasting impact on society.

### **The USPSC James Madison Award™: Recognizing Literary Excellence**

Our randomized review panels differ every time to ensure the same reviewers cannot control which books win all the time and reads books for this prestigious award based on the following criteria:

1. **Originality** – The book must present unique concepts, themes, and storytelling techniques that contribute meaningfully to the literary landscape.
2. **Literary Quality** – Writing style, language, structure, and character development are carefully evaluated to ensure high literary standards.
3. **Impact** – The book should provoke thought, evoke emotions, or inspire readers, engaging with significant cultural, social, or philosophical themes.
4. **Relevance** – The work should reflect contemporary issues, resonate with current societal conversations, and appeal to diverse audiences.
5. **Engagement** – A compelling narrative or innovative format that captivates and sustains reader interest is essential.
6. **Technical Proficiency** – Editing, cohesion, and overall craftsmanship must be of professional quality.
7. **Diversity** – We value stories that highlight varied voices, promote representation, and broaden perspectives.

With this initiative, the USPSC IFF continues its mission of celebrating storytelling in all forms, acknowledging that books often serve as the foundation for some of the most powerful films ever made. By bridging the worlds of literature and cinema, we encourage authors and filmmakers alike to bring visionary narratives to life on the big screen. The current winners starting in 2024 and moving into 2025 are **Warning! Children Are Not Weapons!:**

**Unveiling the Hidden Truth of Child Psychological Abuse Related to Parental and Family Alienation and Abduction** write by adult survivors and Dawn McCarty; **ShahenShah: Story of Shrenik Shah, the Cancer Conqueror** by Jasveer Singh Dangi



*"The United States Presidential Service Center® International Film Festival™ serves as a beacon for filmmakers who bring forth narratives that resonate across cultures and continents,"*

said Prince Kojo Hilton, Chairperson. *"Now, with the addition of the USPSC James Madison Award™, we further extend our commitment to recognizing the power of storytelling, whether in print or on film."*

### **The next issue of PRESIDENTIAL Magazine™**

Further expanding the festival's impact, we are also proud to announce the popular, next issue, of PRESIDENTIAL Magazine™, a distinguished publication dedicated to leadership, diplomacy, culture, and storytelling. The magazine in print and digital always highlights award-winning films, outstanding literary works, and groundbreaking voices in the creative arts, offering readers a deep dive into the worlds of politics, entertainment, and international affairs. As a key media platform for USPSC, PRESIDENTIAL Magazine™ amplifies the voices of filmmakers, authors, and global changemakers, ensuring their work reaches an even broader audience. CEO of the magazine, Shanker Damodaran, is proud to announce, *"We have showcased PRESIDENTIAL Magazine™ now to the Global Chamber also as it links Presidents across the world to major articles and issues."*

### **Submissions Now Open**

As a prestigious hub for visionary storytelling, USPSC IFF welcomes filmmakers and authors to submit their works for consideration. Submissions for the next festival cycle and the James Madison Award™ are open at [www.uspsciff.com](http://www.uspsciff.com).

### **About the USPSC IFF**

The United States Presidential Service Center® International Film Festival™ is dedicated to recognizing films and books that inspire, educate, and ignite meaningful conversations. With a strong emphasis on international storytelling, the festival provides a respected platform for emerging and established creatives to showcase their work. Uniquely, the festival is held annually on the wedding anniversary of Hollywood's most famous film-star President, Ronald Reagan, and his iconic wife, First Lady Nancy Reagan, paying tribute to their enduring legacy in both cinema and leadership.

### **About the USPSC**

The Presidential Service Center® Foundation & Trusts works with the onsite US Presidential Culinary Museum® to support the Presidency of America. We host the PRESENTS™ network, PRESIDENTIAL Magazine™, medals, awards, school, gift shop, business & non-partisan work with our IAHRM Institute™ of Service in Democracy.

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