

APRIL WINNERS



Dancing For David

Director: **José Bibián**

Award: **Special Mention:
Actress Short Film**

Country: **Netherlands**

Jury Comment:

We appreciate the story and non-dialogue narrative. A film with great artistic value and acting.

Items Of Interest



Director: **Scott Hellon**

Award: **2nd Best Feature Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Visuals that intensify the cinematic experience. Appreciate the unique approach.

Nobody's Crowd

Director: **Manoel Fernandes Neto**

Award:

Best Indie Short Film
Best Sci-fi Short Film
Special Mention: Short Film
Special Mention: Drama Short Film

Country: **Brazil**

Jury Comment:

A film well crafted from start to finish. Great acting delivers the narrative wonderfully.



Crocodile



Director: **Caroline Wloka**

Award:

2nd Best Short Film
Best Drama Short Film
Best Director Short Film

Country: **Switzerland**

Jury Comment:

Superb acting, great storytelling, and narrative, a film that stays with you for all the right reasons.



Crossing Over The Dark

Director: **Jordan Ellis**

Award: **Special Mention: Short Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Watching this film was quite an emotional journey with beautiful attention to detail and cinematography.

Dancing Dream



Director: **Helder Rock**

Award: **Special Mention:
Indie Short Film**

Country: **United Kingdom**

Jury Comment:

**A lovely ode to life, hope, dance.
After watching it you feel liberated.**

Ring



Director: **Zhang Haoyu**

Award: **Best Director Student Film**

Country: **China**

Jury Comment:

A story told with great care. A film that captivates with every shot. Very emotional cinematic experience.

The Truth About Us



Director: **Jason White**

Award: **Best Feature Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Love the intimacy of it all. Simplicity at its best in terms of dialogue, camera movement, scenography.



72 Hours

Director: **Christian Durán**

Award: **3rd Best Short Film**

Country: **Mexico**

Jury Comment:

The filmmaker did a great job in making a very memorable experience with a very well-developed story and masterful acting.

Oscar

SCRIPT

Writer: **Chris Fell**

Award: **Special Mention: Short Script**

Country: **Austria**

Jury Comment:

Story that is exciting and compelling,
with a captivating opening scene.
Great writing.

On / Off



Director: **Nicolas P. Villarreal**

Award: **Best Animated Film**

Country: **Argentina**

Jury Comment:

Very admirable style of animation. We love the concept and the dept in the narrative.

Beatrice



Director: **Vincenzo De Sio**

Award: **2nd Best Animated Film**

Country: **Italy**

Jury Comment:

An exceptional story told in a simple but grandiose way. Really enjoyed watching this one. Bravo.

**Christian Löffler -
Dir Jehova**

Director: **Matias Montecinos**

Award: **Best Music Video
Best Director Music Video**

Country: **Chile**

Jury Comment:

This music video has it all, beauty, passion, art, love, masterful cinematography, and editing. Simply breathtaking.

Reunion

Director: **Ryan C Harris**

Award: **Special Mention: Short Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Very powerful story executed beautifully. We appreciate the acting and director's style.



A Tale Of Ages

SCRIPT

Writer: **Michael Miles**

Award: **Best TV Pilot Script**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Well-written and easy to read, a story with developed characters, very engaging and in an advanced stage of writing.



Ingrid



Director: **Raimon Valls**

Award: **Special Mention:
Short Film**

Country: **Spain**

Jury Comment:

One of the things that stand out the most is how wonderfully honest and raw it is.



Against My Will

Director: **Nils Lane**

Award:

Best Short Film/Best Actress Short Film/Best Actor Short Film
/Best Original Screenplay/Best Cinematography/Best
Production/Best Sound Design/Best Editing/Best Poster/Best
Trailer

Country: **France**

Jury Comment:

From the casting choice to the narrative to the camera movement and editing, this film is a delight from start to finish.

A man in a dark suit is seen from behind, looking out a window. Outside the window, a large, white, pyramid-shaped structure is visible, possibly a monument or a building. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day. The window has curtains on either side.

Happy Anniversary

Director: **Chris Borgo**

Award: **Special Mention: Trailer**

Country: **Canada**

Jury Comment:

A trailer that is exciting to watch. It's engaging and leaves you wanting to know more about the story.



Skin And Bone

Director: **Riley Cusick**

Award: **Best Visual Effects**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Exciting to watch, the cinematography and visual style are engagingly supporting the story.

Fatal Ambition

SCRIPT

Writer: **Angel Connell**

Award: **Best Short Script**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

A story is well written in terms of narrative, character development, and climax. Loved the attention to detail

Imitation Of Life - A Machine Learning Story



Director: **Øyvind Knustad**

Award: **Special Mention: Short Film**

Country: **Norway**

Jury Comment:

We appreciate the mixture of aesthetics, styles, and genres, it is done elegantly and effortlessly.



The Monster

Director: **Dan Sinclair**

Award: **Best Horror Short Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

A horror film that is very entertaining to watch. Appreciate how smart the narrative is.

BOJ The Movie

VIVORS

Director: **Isaac Bush**

Award: **Best Medium Documentary Length Film**
Best First Time Director (Medium Length)

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Job's superb performance and the director's unique style make this documentary very memorable and fun to watch.

My Skin Is Not A Sin



Director: **Eric Bendross**

Award: **Best Short Documentary**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

We loved the powerful message and the way it's portrayed through a fresh perspective.

Some Kind Of Wonderful



Director: **Ricky Reidling**

Award: **Best Web/TV Series**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Story and characters that could very easily be turned into multi-season tv series. Great job.

HomeTown



Director: **Mikhail Tot**

Award: **Best Comedy Short Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

**Great acting, humor, and narrative.
Fun and enjoyable film.**

Geneva Jacuzzi's Casket

Director: **Chris Friend**

Award: **Best Experimental Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

**Wonderful and artistic visual style.
A very unique and enjoyable
approach to storytelling.**



We Came To See The River

Director: **Takaaki Watanabe**

Award: **Best Medium Length Film**

Country: **Japan**

Jury Comment:

We love it all, from the narrative to the acting, to the cinematography and director's style. Great cinematic experience.

Unmanned

SCRIPT

Writer: **Jonathan D. Mabee &
Cristina Pippa**

Award: **3rd Best Short Script**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

A story very well thought out and executed. Easy and exciting to read.

The Hike



Director: **Luke Walker & Vinnie Vineyard**

Award: **First Time Director (Feature)**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

One of a kind cinematic experience. The thing that stands out the most is the directors' original style.



Until Our Last Breath

Director: **Ashlynn Hideman &
Ky Hanchett**

Award: **Special Mention: Short Film
Special Mention: Actress Short Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

Superb acting and storytelling make the experience enjoyable, emotional and memorable.



Cycle



Director: **Brendan Dwyer**

Award:

Best Super Short Film
Best First Time Director (Short)
Best Director Super Short Film
Special Mention: Cinematography

Country: **Australia**

Jury Comment:

Film that is very emotional and deep with a beautiful aesthetic and visual style.

Joke's On You



Director: **Teresa Catherine**

Award: **Special Mention:
Indie Short Film**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

We appreciated the style and how she told her story, very unique and fresh. Nicely done.

**The Creek Dweller In The
Bayou**

SCRIPT

Writer: **Dr. Melissa Caudle**

Award: **2nd Best Short Script**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

One of those stories that while reading you just know would make a great adventurous film. Great job.

Kaali Maati



Director: **Hemantkumar Mahale**

Award: **3rd Best Feature Film**

Country: **India**

Jury Comment:

We enjoyed the story and narrative immensely. Lovely cinematic experience.

The Follow Up



Director: **Kenny Mclemore**

Award: **Best Feature Documentary**

Country: **United States**

Jury Comment:

We enjoyed watching Kenny's story. We loved how uplifting, motivational and pure this film is.