

Press Release: BEST OF FESTIVAL Awards at the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival

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Berkshire Jewish Film Festival Announces Winners of the BEST OF FESTIVAL Awards

Pittsfield, MA – [Sept 10] – The Berkshire Jewish Film Festival (BJFF) proudly announces the winners of its prestigious BEST OF FESTIVAL awards, celebrating outstanding films that have captivated audiences and exemplified the rich tapestry of Jewish culture, history, and experience.

This year’s festival, held on six consecutive Mondays from July 8 to August 15, showcased a diverse selection of films from around the world. The BEST OF FESTIVAL awards honor films that not only achieved artistic excellence but also resonated deeply with festival-goers.

The 2024 BEST OF FESTIVAL award winners are:

- **Best Narrative Film:** *“Kidnapped”* – Directed by Marco Bellocchio



- **Best Documentary:** *“Catskills”* – Directed by Lex Gillespie



The awards were announced after calculating over 3000 evaluation forms from Festival attendees.

“Each year, the BJFF strives to showcase films that not only entertain but also enlighten and inspire,” said Beth Kruvant Festival Artistic Director. “This year’s award-winning films exemplify the diversity and richness of Jewish storytelling, and we are thrilled to honor their creators.”

For more information about the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival and to view a complete list of films and awards, please visit www.berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org.

About the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival

The Berkshire Jewish Film Festival, one of the oldest Jewish film festivals in the United States is a celebrated cultural event dedicated to presenting films that explore Jewish themes, history, and culture. Held annually in Lenox MA at the Lenox Memorial Middle & High School’s Duffin Theater, the festival brings together filmmakers, community members, and film enthusiasts to celebrate and discuss the Jewish experience through the medium of film.

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